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## GRAMMAR

### Be going to: plans and predictions

**It's going to rain.**

#### Plans or intentions

When you decide to do something in the future you make a plan or have an intention.

A plan can change, so it is not 100% certain.

*Carol has bought her train ticket and booked her course.*

*She **is going to study** in France next month.* (This is her plan or intention.)

#### Predictions from the situation

Sometimes we can see that something is going to happen.

*Look out! Those books **are going to fall** on your head.*

#### Statements

*He's **going to cook** dinner. Linda **is going to learn** Chinese.*

*Mike's **going to run** in the Marathon in April.*

<i>I'm going to cook</i>	<i>He's going to cook</i>	<i>We're going to cook</i>
<i>You're going to cook</i>	<i>She's going to cook</i>	<i>They're going to cook</i>
	<i>It's going to cook</i>	

#### Negatives

*Clare **isn't going to cook** dinner.*

<i>I'm not going to cook</i>	<i>He isn't going to cook</i>	<i>We aren't going to cook</i>
<i>You aren't going to cook</i>	<i>She isn't going to cook</i>	<i>They aren't going to cook</i>
	<i>It isn't going to cook</i>	

#### Yes/No Questions

*Are you **going to cook** dinner?*

<i>Am I going to cook?</i>	<i>Is he going to cook?</i>	<i>Are we going to cook?</i>
<i>Are you going to cook?</i>	<i>Is she going to cook?</i>	<i>Are they going to cook?</i>
	<i>Is it going to cook?</i>	

#### Wh- questions

*What **are you going to do** in the summer?*

*When **are you going to phone** me? Is it **going to rain**?*

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