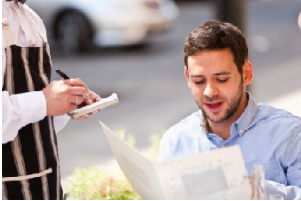


# Will

## Introduction



I'll have the businessman's lunch please.

## Definition

'Will' is one of the ways to talk about the future.

## Construction

**Affirmative:** subject + will + verb

I will have

**Negative:** subject + will + not + verb

I will not have

**Interrogative:** Will + subject + verb

Will I have?

### The contracted form

The affirmative and negative forms of 'will' are normally contracted in spoken English.

**Affirmative:**

**Full form**

I will

**Contracted form**

I'll

You **will**  
 He **will**  
 She **will**  
 It **will**  
 We **will**  
 They **will**

You'**ll**  
 He'**ll**  
 She'**ll**  
 It'**ll**  
 We'**ll**  
 They'**ll**

### Negative:

The negative form has two contractions. The contraction with 'won't' is more common.

#### Full form

I **will** not  
 You **will** not  
 He **will** not  
 She **will** not  
 It **will** not  
 We **will** not  
 They **will** not

#### Contracted form 1

I'**ll** not  
 You'**ll** not  
 He'**ll** not  
 She'**ll** not  
 It'**ll** not  
 We'**ll** not  
 They'**ll** not

#### Contracted form 2

I **won't**  
 You **won't**  
 He **won't**  
 She **won't**  
 It **won't**  
 We **won't**  
 They **won't**

In formal writing, use the full form.

In conversations or informal writing, use the contracted form.

In affirmative questions and short answers always use the full form.

Will you help me? Yes, I will. 

Will you help me? Yes I'll. 

## Uses

Spontaneous decisions	(The phone rings) I' <b>ll</b> answer the phone. Who' <b>ll</b> take the minutes? - I' <b>ll</b> do it. How does this work? - I' <b>ll</b> show you. Are you ready to order? - Yes I' <b>ll</b> have the steak please.
Predictions	Hurry up or you' <b>ll</b> be late. In 10 years we' <b>ll</b> all have electric cars. What <b>will</b> the world be like in the future?
As an alternative to <b>going to</b> for intentions in a formal situation	On our tour today, I' <b>ll</b> show you the design centre and later we' <b>ll</b> visit the plant.

# Examples



You **will** meet a tall, dark, handsome stranger.



Sign here. I promise you **won't** regret it.



I think I **'ll** be late for the meeting. My train is delayed.



We **'ll** be friends forever.



It's lovely today, but we **'ll** have rain tomorrow.



Don't worry, I **'ll** fix it for you.



My presentation **will** be in two parts. First, I'll tell you about our sales targets and then we'll discuss marketing.



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