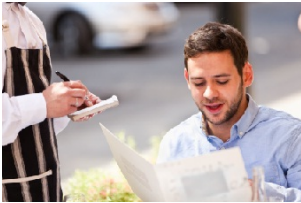


Will

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

Contracted form 1

Contracted form 2

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

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

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