

will

vs

going to

STRUCTURE AND DIFFERENCES

will (future simple)

Affirmative

S + will + verb infinitive

I will run

He/She/It will run

We/You/They **will**
run

Negative

S + will not + verb infinitive

I will not run.

She/He/It will not
run

We/You/They will
not run

Interrogative

Will + S + verb
infinitive?

Will I run?

Will he/she/it run?

Will you/we/they
run?

WILL NOT = WON'T

be going to (future simple)

Affirmative

S + be going to +
verb infinitive

I am going to have
breakfast.

He/She/It is going to
have breakfast.

We/You/They are
going to have
breakfast.

Negative

S+ be not going to+ verb
infinitive

I am not going to
have breakfast.

She/He/It is not
going to have
breakfast.

We/You/They are
not going to have
breakfast.

Interrogative

Be + S + going to +
verb infinitive?

Am I going to have
breakfast?

Is he/she/it going to
have breakfast?

Are you/we/they
going to have
breakfast?

Will	Be going to
For sudden decisions. Decisions at the moment of speaking, and offers.	For decisions before the moment of speaking and plans.
<i>I'm thirsty, I will get a bottle of water.</i>	<i>We are going to have a picnic next Sunday.</i>
For predictions based on opinions.	For predictions based on evidences.
<i>I think Besiktas will won this time.</i>	<i>I've eaten so much, I think I am going to throw up.</i>
NOTE: In spoken English, <i>going to</i> is pronounced as <i>gonna</i> .	

When and While

WHEN + SHORTER ACTION (PAST SIMPLE TENSE)

- ✓ When I arrived home, my mother was baking cookies.

WHILE + LONGER ACTION (PAST CONTINUOUS TENSE)

- ✓ While I was driving home, I saw a traffic accident.