

## Remember It

The present continuous

## The future continuous



The future continuous is formed using the present continuous form + **a future time**.

We use the future continuous when we intend or plan to do something at a specific time in the future.

For example:

- I'm picking him up at the airport **this afternoon**.
- I'm flying to England **tomorrow**.

### Statements:

#### Positive

He's working next week.

#### Negative

He isn't working next week.

### Questions

#### Closed question

Is he working on Sunday?

#### Open question

What is he doing on Sunday?

## Going to

A decision was made in the past to do something in the future

Past

*I'm going to do it*

Now

Future

We use "going to" when we intend or plan to do something some time in the future. Sentences are formed using subject + to be + going to + infinitive.

For example:

- I'm going to study English literature.

**! Note:** We don't usually say "going to go to a place or event," instead you can drop the "go to" and just say "going to + a place or event."

For example:

- I'm going to England.
- I'm going to the concert.

### Statements

#### Positive

He's going to work next week.

#### Negative

He isn't going to work next week.

### Questions

#### Closed questions

Is he going to work on Sunday?

#### Open questions

What is he going to do on Sunday?

### Rhymes and Songs



#### **Precocious Piggy** *by Thomas Hodd*

Where are you going to, you little pig?  
"I'm leaving my mother, I'm growing so big!"  
So big, you young pig.  
So young, so big!  
What! leaving your mother, you foolish young pig?  
Where are you going to, you little pig?  
"I've got a new spade, and I'm going to dig!"  
To dig, little pig!  
A little pig dig!  
Well, I never saw a pig with a spade, that could dig!  
Where are you going to, you little pig?  
"Why I'm going to have a nice ride in a gig!"  
In a gig, little pig!  
What! a pig in a gig!  
Well, I never yet saw a pig ride in a gig!  
Where are you going, you little pig?

"I'm going to the barber's to buy me a wig."  
A wig, little pig!  
A pig in a wig!  
Why, whoever before saw a pig in a wig?  
Where are you going, you little pig?  
"I'm going to the ball to dance a fine jig!"  
A jig, little pig!  
A pig dance a jig!  
Well, I never before saw a pig dance a jig!

**! Note:** We also use "going to" when we can see that something is certain or likely to happen.

For example:



- Watch out! He's going to crash!



- Let's not go out; it's going to rain.