**WEEK 3**

**Accepting a Job Offer – *Simple Future Tense***



**4.1 Read the conversations between Mr. Wallace , Mr. Tromn and Mr. Brack.**



**Dialogue 1**

Mr. Tromn: Is this Mr. Wallace?

Mr. Wallace: Yes, this is Mr. Wallace.

Mr Tromn: Mr. Wallace, this is the Xenon Company.

Mr. Wallace: Oh, hello, how are you doing?

Mr. Tromn: Mr. Wallace, we were very pleased with your interview and would like to offer you the position.

Mr. Wallace: Wonderful! I am very happy to be able to join your organization.

Mr. Tromn: We are interested in having you begin as soon as possible, perhaps in two weeks?

Mr. Wallace: Yes, that would be perfect!

Mr. Tromn: We will see you then.

**Dialogue 2** 

Mr.Brack: This is Jason Brack calling, is Mr. Wallace in?

Mr.Wallace : Yes, how may I help you?

Mr.Brack: I am calling you from the Xenon Company.

Mr. Wallace: Yes, I was hoping to hear from you!

Mr.Brack: You had great interview and we are pleased to be able to offer you a position.

Mr. Wallace: Excellent. I will consider it an honor to join your organization.

Mr.Brack.: Would two weeks from now be a good start date for you?

Mr. Wallace: That would be great. I could give notice to my current job and start with you on that date.

Mr. Brack: Glad that will work for both of us; I look forward to seeing you then

**4.2 Answer the questions about the dialogues.**

1. What are the dialogues about? ( dialogue1 &2 )

2. What does Mr. Tromn offer Mr. Wallace? ( dialogue 1)

3. Is Mr. Wallace happy with the offer? ( dialogue 1)

4. When will Mr. Wallace begin his new possition? (dialogue 1)

5. Where is J.Brack calling from? ( dialogue 2)

6. Was Mr. Wallace hoping to hear from the company? ( dialogue 2)

**4.3 Grammar Point**

I will consider it an honor to join your organization. ***Which tense is used in these sentences?***

We will see you then. *Simple Future Tense ( will)*

***Why the form ‘ will’ instead of ‘ be going to’ is prefered ?***

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| ***Simple Future***  ***http://www.englishpage.com/images/verbs/simplefuture.gif***  ***FORM Will***  Simple Future has two different forms in English: "will" and "be going to." Although the two forms can sometimes be used interchangeably, they often express two very different meanings. These different meanings might seem too abstract at first, but with time and practice, the differences will become clear. Both "will" and "be going to" refer to a specific time in the future.  FORM Will  [will + verb]  Examples:  You will help him later.  Will you help him later?  You will not help him later. |

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| FORM Be Going To  [am/is/are + going to + verb]  Examples:  You are going to meet Jane tonight.  Are you going to meet Jane tonight?  You are not going to meet Jane tonight.  USE 1 "Will" to Express a Voluntary Action  "Will" often suggests that a speaker will do something voluntarily. A voluntary action is one the speaker offers to do for someone else. Often, we use "will" to respond to someone else's complaint or request for help. We also use "will" when we request that someone help us or volunteer to do something for us. Similarly, we use "will not" or "won't" when we refuse to voluntarily do something.  Examples:  I will send you the information when I get it.  I will translate the email, so Mr. Smith can read it.  Will you help me move this heavy table?  Will you make dinner?  I will not do your homework for you.  I won't do all the housework myself!  A: I'm really hungry.  B: I'll make some sandwiches.  A: I'm so tired. I'm about to fall asleep.  B: I'll get you some coffee.  A: The phone is ringing.  B: I'll get it. | | |
| USE 2 "Will" to Express a Promise  "Will" is usually used in promises.  Examples:  I will call you when I arrive.  If I am elected President of the United States, I will make sure everyone has access to inexpensive health insurance.  I promise I will not tell him about the surprise party.  Don't worry, I'll be careful.  I won't tell anyone your secret.  USE 3 "Be going to" to Express a Plan  "Be going to" expresses that something is a plan. It expresses the idea that a person intends to do something in the future. It does not matter whether the plan is realistic or not.  Examples:  He is going to spend his vacation in Hawaii.  She is not going to spend her vacation in Hawaii.  A: When are we going to meet each other tonight?  B: We are going to meet at 6 PM.  I'm going to be an actor when I grow up.  Michelle is going to begin medical school next year.  They are going to drive all the way to Alaska.  Who are you going to invite to the party?  A: Who is going to make John's birthday cake?  B: Sue is going to make John's birthday cake. |

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| USE 4 "Will" or "Be Going to" to Express a Prediction  Both "will" and "be going to" can express the idea of a general prediction about the future. Predictions are guesses about what might happen in the future. In "prediction" sentences, the subject usually has little control over the future and therefore USES 1-3 do not apply. In the following examples, there is no difference in meaning.  Examples:  The year 2222 will be a very interesting year.  The year 2222 is going to be a very interesting year.  John Smith will be the next President.  John Smith is going to be the next President.  The movie "Zenith" will win several Academy Awards.  The movie "Zenith" is going to win several Academy Awards.  IMPORTANT  In the Simple Future, it is not always clear which USE the speaker has in mind. Often, there is more than one way to interpret a sentence's meaning.  No Future in Time Clauses  Like all future forms, the Simple Future cannot be used in clauses beginning with time expressions such as: when, while, before, after, by the time, as soon as, if, unless, etc. Instead of Simple Future, Simple Present is used.  Examples:  When you will arrive tonight, we will go out for dinner. Not Correct  When you arrive tonight, we will go out for dinner. Correct |
| ADVERB PLACEMENT  The examples below show the placement for grammar adverbs such as: always, only, never, ever, still, just, etc.  Examples:  You will never help him.  Will you ever help him?  You are never going to meet Jane.  Are you ever going to meet Jane?  For turkish explanations, please see: http://www.kpds.org/ingilizce/tense7.asp  For Turkish online dictionary; <http://www.zargan.com/> or http://www.seslisozluk.net/ | | |

**Exercises:**

1. A: Why are you holding a piece of paper?

B: I (write) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_a letter to my friends back home in Texas.

2. A: I'm about to fall asleep. I need to wake up!

B: I (get) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ you a cup of coffee. That will wake you up.

3. A: I can't hear the television!

B: I (turn)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ it up so you can hear it.

4. We are so excited about our trip next month to France. We (visit)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Paris, Nice and Grenoble.

5. Sarah (come) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_to the party. Oliver (be)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ there as well.

6. Ted: It is so hot in here!

Sarah: I (turn) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the air-conditioning on.

7. I think he (be) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the next President of the United States.

8. After I graduate, I (attend)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ medical school and become a doctor. I have wanted to be a doctor all my life.

9. A: Excuse me, I need to talk to someone about our hotel room. I am afraid it is simply too small for four people.

B: That man at the service counter (help) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ you.

10. As soon as the weather clears up, we (walk) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ down to the beach and go swimming.

11.   
Mark: What are you doing with those scissors?   
Beth: I (cut) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that picture of the ocean out of the travel magazine.   
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Mark: (you, do) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ me a favor, Sam?   
Sam: Sure, what do you want me to do?   
Mark: I (change) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the broken light bulb in the lamp above the dining room table. I need someone to hold the ladder for me while I am up there.   
Sam: No problem, I (hold) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ it for you.   
  
13.   
Gina: Where are you going?   
Ted: I (go) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the store to pick up some groceries.   
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John: Wow, it's freezing out there.   
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**ANSWER KEY – WEEK 4**

**4.2**

1. They are about accepting a job offer.

2.He offers him a job position.

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