

# The Near Future Tense

To form the near future tense, you will need to use the verb **aller**, plus an **infinitive**.

## 1 aller (to go)

Je	vais	= I am going
tu	_____	= you are going (informal)
il	_____	= he is going
elle	_____	= she is going
nous	_____	= we are going
vous	_____	= you are going (plural)
ils	_____	= they are going (masc.)
elles	_____	= they are going (fem.)

## 2 Can you remember the meaning of these infinitives?

jouer	_____
travailler	_____
faire	_____
acheter	_____
lire	_____
attendre	_____

How many more can you list?

## 3 To make the near future tense, use aller + infinitive and simply add a detail:

<u>Person + aller</u>	<u>Infinitive</u>	<u>Detail</u>	<u>(English)</u>
Je vais	jouer	au foot	(I will play football)
elle va	visiter	sa grand-mère	(She will visit her Gran)
nous allons	faire	les devoirs	(We will do the homework)
il va	téléphoner	à sa mère	(He will phone his Mother)

## 4 Fill in the gaps

- Je \_\_\_\_\_ jouer au tennis.
- Il \_\_\_\_\_ attendre l'autobus.
- Nous \_\_\_\_\_ manger à huit heures.
- Elles \_\_\_\_\_ aller au cinéma ensemble.
- Elle \_\_\_\_\_ visiter le vieux château.
- Je vais \_\_\_\_\_ un livre de Harry Potter.
- Nous allons \_\_\_\_\_ du vélo.
- Vas-tu \_\_\_\_\_ du coca?
- Il va \_\_\_\_\_ sa nouvelle chemise.

Do you know what all of these mean in English?

## 5 Time Phrases

To make your future tense work more interesting, you can add some future tense time phrases:

demain	= tomorrow
bientôt	= soon
ce soir	= this evening
lundi prochain	= next Monday
plus tard	= later
l'année prochaine	= next year
le week-end prochain	= next weekend
dans l'avenir	= in the future

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**Translate these sentences into French:**

- a. Next year I am going to study French. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Next weekend we will watch a film. \_\_\_\_\_
- c. She is going to go on a bike ride tomorrow. \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Next week my brother will buy a new T shirt. \_\_\_\_\_
- e. In the future I will have seven children. \_\_\_\_\_
- f. This evening they are going to eat chicken. \_\_\_\_\_
- g. Next year we are going to go to Spain. \_\_\_\_\_
- h. I am going to phone my Mum on Tuesday. \_\_\_\_\_
- i. My Mum is going to watch TV this evening. \_\_\_\_\_
- j. In the future we will live in a big house. \_\_\_\_\_

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**Adding Opinions:**

If you want to add opinions in the future tense, it is best to use **sera (will be...)**

**Je vais visiter le musée d'art et ce sera très intéressant.**

I am going to visit the art museum and **this will be** very interesting.

**Il va aller au cinéma demain et le film sera fantastique.**

He is going to go to the cinema tomorrow and the film **will be** fantastic.

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**Now write a short paragraph about what you hope to do next weekend:**

Le week-end prochain .....

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