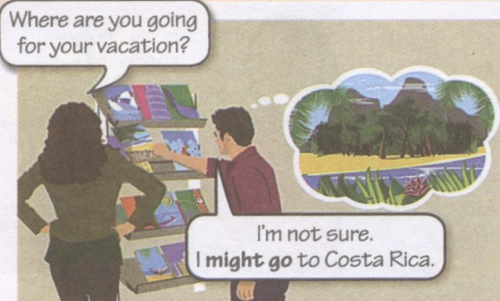


A

He **might go** to Costa Rica.

( = it is possible that he will go to Costa Rica )

It **might rain**.

( = it is possible that it will rain )

**might** + base form (**might go** / **might be** / **might rain**, etc.):

I/we/you/they he/she/it	<b>might</b> (not)	<b>be</b> <b>go</b> <b>play</b> <b>come</b> , etc.
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B

**I might** = it is possible that I will:

- ☐ I **might go** to the movies tonight, but I'm not sure. (= it is possible that I will go)
- ☐ A: When is Rebecca going to call you?  
B: I don't know. She **might call** this afternoon.
- ☐ Take an umbrella with you. It **might rain**.
- ☐ Buy a lottery ticket. You **might be** lucky. (= maybe you will be lucky)
- ☐ A: Are you going out tonight?  
B: **I might**. (= I might go out)

Study the difference:

- ☐ I'm **playing** tennis tomorrow. (*sure*)  
I **might play** tennis tomorrow. (*possible*)
- ☐ Rebecca **is going to call** later. (*sure*)  
Rebecca **might call** later. (*possible*)

C

**I might not** = it is possible that I will not:

- ☐ I **might not go** to work tomorrow.  
(= it is possible that I will not go)
- ☐ Sue **might not come** to the party.  
(= it is possible that she will not come)

D

**may**You can use **may** in the same way. **I may = I might**:

- ☐ I **may go** to the movies tonight. (= I might go)
- ☐ Sue **may not come** to the party. (= Sue might not come)

**May I ... ?** = Is it OK to ... ? / Can I ... ?:

- ☐ **May I** ask a question? (= is it OK to ask / can I ask?)
- ☐ "**May I** sit here?" "Sure."



27.1 Write sentences with **might**.

- 1 (it's possible that I'll go to the movies) I might go to the movies.
- 2 (it's possible that I'll see you tomorrow) I .....
- 3 (it's possible that Sarah will forget to call) .....
- 4 (it's possible that it will snow today) .....
- 5 (it's possible that I'll be late tonight) .....

Write sentences with **might not**.

- 6 (it's possible that Tony will not be here next week) .....
- 7 (it's possible that I won't have time to go out) .....

27.2 Somebody is asking you about your plans. You have some ideas, but you are not sure. Choose from the list and write sentences with **I might**.

fish   ~~Italy~~   Monday   a new car   a trip   a taxi

- 1 Where are you going for your vacation?
- 2 What are you doing this weekend?
- 3 When will you see Kate again?
- 4 What are you going to have for dinner?
- 5 How are you going to get home tonight?
- 6 I hear you won some money. What are you going to do with it?

- I'm not sure. I might go to Italy.
- I don't know. I .....
- I'm not sure. ....
- I don't know. ....
- I'm not sure. ....
- I haven't decided yet. ....

27.3 You ask Ben questions about his plans for tomorrow. Sometimes he is sure, but usually he is not sure.

- 1 Are you playing tennis tomorrow?
- 2 Are you going out tomorrow evening?
- 3 Are you going to get up early?
- 4 Are you working tomorrow?
- 5 Will you be at home tomorrow morning?
- 6 Are you going to watch TV?
- 7 Are you going out in the afternoon?
- 8 Are you going shopping?

- Yes, in the afternoon.
- Possibly.
- Maybe.
- No, I'm not.
- Maybe.
- I might.
- Yes, I am.
- Maybe. I'm not sure.



BEN

Now write about Ben. Use **might** where necessary.

- 1 He's playing tennis tomorrow afternoon.
- 2 He might go out tomorrow evening.
- 3 He .....
- 4 .....
- 5 .....
- 6 .....
- 7 .....
- 8 .....

27.4 Write three things that you **might** do tomorrow.

- 1 .....
- 2 .....
- 3 .....