

# 41 Future possibilities

Use "might" to show you're not sure if you'll do something. It's a possibility and you don't want to say that you "will" or you "won't."

 **New language** Using "might"

 **Aa Vocabulary** Activities, food, and pastimes

 **New skill** Talking about future possibilities

## 41.1 KEY LANGUAGE "MIGHT" WITH FUTURE POSSIBILITIES

"Will" and "won't" describe things that are certain to happen or certain not to happen. Use "might" to show that something is not certain.

 **Negative**  
**I won't have** a vacation. I don't have enough money.



 **Possible**  
**I might have** a vacation. I have some money.



 **Positive**  
**I will have** a vacation because I have lots of money.



## 41.2 FURTHER EXAMPLES "MIGHT" WITH FUTURE POSSIBILITIES



**He might not go** to Rome this year. He doesn't know yet.

**TIP**  
"Might" isn't normally used in questions.



**I might speak** English at the party tonight as there are British people coming.



## 41.3 HOW TO FORM "MIGHT" WITH FUTURE POSSIBILITIES

**SUBJECT**

I / You  
He / She / It  
We / They

**"MIGHT"**

might  
might not  
mightn't

**MAIN VERB**

have

**REST OF SENTENCE**

a vacation.

As with all modal verbs, "might" doesn't change with the subject.

Use the base form of the main verb.



## 41.4 REWRITE THE SENTENCES, PUTTING THE WORDS IN THE CORRECT ORDER

She to might my come party.

She might come to my party.

1 dad My me give some money. might

2 might Helen test. driving pass her

3 bar. might I not a chocolate eat

4 They not have party. a might



## 41.5 REWRITE THE HIGHLIGHTED PHRASES, CORRECTING THE ERRORS

Hi Bill,

I'm excited about our hiking trip on Saturday. **It might rains** in the afternoon so **we wills go** in the morning. **I'll brings** some water, but **I willn't bring** any food.

**We mighsts wanting** to stop at one of the pubs on our walk. What do you think? See you this weekend,

Matt

It might rain

- 1 \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 \_\_\_\_\_



## 41.6 FILL IN THE GAPS USING "WON'T," "MIGHT," AND "WILL"

### NEGATIVE

I **won't** buy a computer.

1 \_\_\_\_\_

2 \_\_\_\_\_

3 \_\_\_\_\_

4 \_\_\_\_\_

5 \_\_\_\_\_

6 \_\_\_\_\_

### POSSIBLE

I **might** buy a computer.

He **might** be late again.

She **might** become a teacher.

The dog **won't** eat this food.

### POSITIVE

I **will** buy a computer.

They **will** make dinner.

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## 41.7 KEY LANGUAGE “MIGHT” WITH UNCERTAINTY

You can use other phrases along with “might” to emphasize that you are uncertain about something.



I **might** go to town. I'm not sure.

I don't know. I **might** have more pizza.



## Aa 41.8 MATCH THE QUESTIONS TO THE ANSWERS

When are you going to clean your room?

1 Where will you live next year?

2 What will you do before you start college?

3 How much money are you taking on vacation?

I don't know. I might live in Boston.

I might get a summer job. I'm not sure.

I might do it this afternoon. I'm not sure.

I'm not sure. I might take about \$300.



## 41.9 LISTEN TO THE AUDIO AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS

Will John go to work today?

Yes, he will.

He might.

No, he won't.

1 Is Mel going to the party this evening?

Yes, she is.

She might.

No, she isn't.

2 Are Donna and Elise going swimming today?

Yes, they are.

They might.

No, they're not.

3 Will Elliot be late for the concert?

Yes, he will.

He might.

No, he won't.

4 Will Elsa study English?

Yes, she will.

She might.

No, she won't.

5 Will Delilah travel by bus today?

Yes, she will.

She might.

No, she won't.

## 41.10 SAY THE SENTENCES OUT LOUD USING "WILL," "MIGHT," AND "WON'T"

	POSITIVE	POSSIBLE	NEGATIVE
ABAN	 go on vacation this year	①  learn French	②  run a marathon
NADIVA	③  become a doctor	④  write a book	⑤  do a bungee jump
JACK	⑥  get a dog	⑦  buy a motorcycle	⑧  move house

Aban will go on vacation this year.

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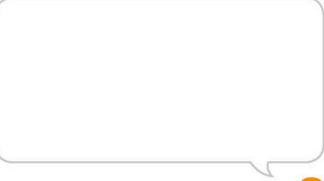
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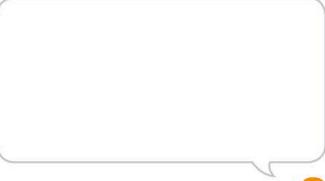
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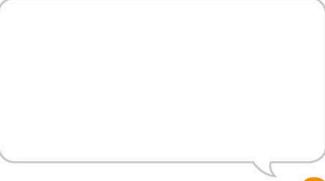
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### 41 ✓ CHECKLIST

Using "might"

Aa Activities, food, and pastimes

Talking about future possibilities