

## Unit 31: WILL AND SHALL

**Will** and **shall** are modal verbs. Unit 27 shows you how to make correct sentences with them. This unit shows you when to use them. Notice that we use **shall** only for 1<sup>st</sup> person (Unit 2); **-'ll** is the short form for both verbs.

### USE

### EXAMPLES

## 1 Prediction

a for the future

We **shall** all **die** one day.

Do you think it **will rain** tomorrow?

The manager **will be writing** to you soon.

**I'll be phoning** him tonight.

**NOTICE:** ALSO **be going to**, present simple, present continuous: Unit 41 shows you the differences between them

b for now

Don't phone now! They'**ll** probably **be having** lunch. They usually have lunch at this time.

c past in the future

By this time tomorrow, **I'll have finished** all my exams.

## 2 Intention

a offering

He's next door. Just a minute and **I'll get** him for you.

If you think it's a good idea, **I'll phone** him.

**Shall I help** you with that?

**NOTICE:** ALSO **can** (Unit 28) **would** (Unit 32). Use **shall** only in questions.

b asking for help

**Will** you **mail** this for me?

What **shall I say** to her?

**NOTICE:** **could** (Unit 29) is more polite

