

# Talking About the Future

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## WHAT'S COVERED

In this lesson, you will learn how to communicate future actions in Spanish. Specifically, this lesson will cover:

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There is a very easy way to express future plans in Spanish without having to learn the future tense! In fact, you already do this in English.

➡ **EXAMPLE** Instead of saying, "I will eat at 1:00," we normally say, "I am going to eat at 1:00."

The meaning does not change. In Spanish, simply use a form of the verb *ir* (to go), add the preposition *a* (to), and then add any verb in the infinitive form.

Example Sentence	English Translation
Yo <u>voy a llamar</u> al doctor.	I am <u>going to call</u> the doctor.
Yo <u>voy a escuchar</u> su corazón.	I am <u>going to listen</u> to your heart.
Yo <u>voy a escribir</u> sus síntomas.	I am <u>going to write down</u> your symptoms.
Ella <u>va a leer</u> las direcciones.	She is <u>going to read</u> the directions.
Él <u>va a pagar</u> con un cheque.	I You are <u>going to pay</u> with a check.
¿Usted <u>va a dar</u> la medicina a su hijo?	Are you <u>going to give</u> the medicine to your son?



## SUMMARY

In this lesson, you learned how to communicate about **the future** in Spanish. To do this, you simply need to use the correct form of the verb "*ir*," the preposition "*a*," and the infinitive of any additional verb. This will allow you to speak about future intentions without learning the future tense.

¡Buena suerte!

# Support

If you are struggling with a concept or terminology in the course, you may contact **SpanishforNursesSupport@capella.edu** for assistance.

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