

**Wh-questions with be going to**

**What are** you **going to do** for Valentine's Day?

I'm **going to go** to a dance.

**How is** Mona **going to get** to the dance?

I'm **not going to go** to a restaurant.

She's **going to drive**.

**Where are** Tyler and his girlfriend **going to eat**?

She's **not going to take** the bus.

They're **going to eat** at Laguna's.

They're **not going to eat** at Nick's Café.

**A** Complete these conversations with the correct form of *be going to*. Then practice with a partner.

- A: Where *are* you *going to spend* (spend) summer vacation?  
B: My parents and I *visit* my grandparents.
- B: Who *invite* you (invite) to Thanksgiving dinner?  
A: I *ask* my family and some good friends.
- A: What *do* you (do) for Halloween?  
B: I don't know. I *do not do* anything special.
- A: How *celebrate* your parents (celebrate) New Year's Eve?  
B: They *go* to their neighbor's party.
- A: What *do* your sister (do) for her birthday?  
B: Her boyfriend *takes* her out to dinner.

**B GROUP WORK** Ask your classmates about their plans. Use the time expressions in the box.

- A: What are you going to do tonight?  
B: I'm going to go to a party.  
C: Oh, really? Who's going to be there?  
B: Well, Lara and Rosa are going to come. But Jeff isn't going to be there. . .

time expressions	
tonight	next week
tomorrow	next month
tomorrow afternoon	next summer
tomorrow night	next year

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- B) I'm going to visit...
- A) Are you going to invite...?  
B) I'm going to ask...
- A) Are you going to do...?  
B) I'm not going to do...
- A) Are your parents going to celebrate...?  
B) They are going to go ...
- A) What is your sister going to do for her birthday?  
B) Her boyfriend is going to take her out to dinner



## What are you going to do on your birthday?



Scan the article. How old is each person going to be?



**Elena Buenaventura**

*Madrid*

"My twenty-first birthday is on Saturday, and I'm going to go out with some friends. To wish me a happy birthday, they're going to pull on my ear 21 times – once for each year. It's an old custom. Some people pull on the ear just once, but my friends are very traditional!"



**Ka-mei Shi**

*Taipei*

"Tomorrow is my sixteenth birthday. It's a special birthday, so we're going to have a family ceremony. I'm probably going to get some money in 'lucky' envelopes from my relatives. My mother is going to cook noodles – noodles are for a long life."



**Mr. and Mrs. Aoki**

*Kyoto*

"My husband is going to be 60 tomorrow. In Japan, the sixtieth birthday is called *kanreki* – it's the beginning of a new life. The color red represents a new life, so children often give something red as a present. What are our children going to give him? A red hat and vest!"



**Philippe Joly**

*Paris*

"I'm going to be 30 next week, so I'm going to invite three very good friends out to dinner. In France, when you have a birthday, you often invite people out. In some countries, I know it's the opposite – people take you out."



**A** Read the article. Then correct these sentences.

1. To celebrate her birthday, Elena is going to pull on her friends' ears.
2. Ka-mei is going to cook some noodles on her birthday.
3. On his birthday, Mr. Aoki is going to buy something red.
4. Philippe's friends are going to take him out to dinner on his birthday.

- 1. No, she's going to go out with some friends**
- 2. No, her mother is going to cook some noodles on her birthday**
- 3. No, his children are going to give him a red hat and vest**
- 4. No, Philippe is going to take them to dinner**