Unit 1

Lessons 2, 3 and 4

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GRAMMAR

The Present Continuous for future events

- We can use the Present Continuous to talk about events in the future that have already been planned.
- -Next Monday we are celebrating my brother's graduation.
- -They are buying a new house this year.

The Present Simple for timetabled future events

- We can use the Present Simple to talk about events in the future that will happen at a stated time.
- -The festival starts on 20th October.
- -The bus leaves at 8 pm.

"Going to" for intentions

We use going to + the infinitive to talk
about intentions (things that have already been

decided). We are all going to attend the ceremony. --I'm going to buy a cake for my friend tonight.

"Going to" for predictions

- We can use going to + the infinitive when we predict what will happen, based on evidence.
- -Look at the crowds! It's going to be a lot of fun.
- -There are lots of clouds. It's going to rain.

"Will" for spontaneous decisions

- We use will + the infinitive to talk about a decision made at the moment of speaking.
- -I think I'll have pasta for lunch.
- -You look tired. I'll stay at home and help you.