

1 The invitation

Use these words/phrases to complete the dialogue on the telephone.

doing • free • going (2x) • having • how • about (2x) • shall (2x) • wondering • what



- Hi Gene, it's Chris.
Hi Chris. What's up?
I was just ... if you were ... anything special this weekend.
Well on Friday I'm ... to a party and on Sunday I'm ... lunch with my grandparents. But I'm ... on Saturday. Why?
Well ... to see the new Star Wars film with me?
I've seen it already.
Oh. Well ... that new thriller?
I'd love to see that. ... we meet for dinner first?
Great idea. ... we say 6.30 at Charlie's?
See you there.

Note

Die Frage 'What's up?' hört man in den USA häufig, in Großbritannien sagt man stattdessen lieber 'How are you?'. Dort tendiert man auch dazu, 'already' vor das Verb, in den USA eher ans Satzende zu stellen.
Vgl.: I've already seen it.
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2 Que sera sera or whatever will be will be

Decide whether you have to use 'will' or with 'going to' to express the future.

Example: Look at that little boy, he is going to fall off the chair.

- I think the weather conditions ... become worse because of global warming.
Please hurry up! We ... leave in a few minutes!
This music is getting on my nerves again. I ... complain to the hotel manager if it doesn't stop soon.
Don't worry, I ... help you with your homework tonight, okay?
If you see things positively, life ... be so much easier.

Grammar Reference Section: The Future in English

3 World of work - Conditions

Match the 'if'-clauses in the left-hand column with the main clauses in the right-hand column to make complete sentences.

- If you can't make the meeting, you'll have to work much harder.
If I have time, I will/can help you with the report.
If I had time, you can ring me at home.
If you want to see the manager, make sure to tell my secretary.
If you really want a promotion, you'll have to make an appointment.
If you need to reach me, I'll let you know.
If I can't make the meeting, I would/could help you with the report.

