



## ♦ Expressing Probability ♦

<b>100%</b>	<b>sure definitely</b>	<b>will</b>
<b>75%</b>	<b>probably (there's) a good chance</b>	<b>should ought to</b>
<b>50%</b>	<b>not sure don't know</b>	<b>might may could</b>
<b>25%</b>	<b>don't think (so) probably not/won't doubt (that)</b>	<b>shouldn't ought not to</b>
<b>0%</b>	<b>no chance definitely not No way!</b>	<b>won't</b>

*See the teacher's introduction on page 131.*

## *Introductory Exercises*

Fill in the blanks with the words or phrases in **bold** type.

**There's a good chance we will. There might be. don't think sure I won't They'll definitely have some.**

1. A: Do you think your aunt will visit us next month?
2. B: (25%): No, I \_\_\_\_\_ she'll come.
3. A: We need some tomatoes. Do you think the store will have some today?
4. B: (100%): \_\_\_\_\_ .
5. A: I wonder if there will be a good movie on TV tonight.
6. B: (50%): \_\_\_\_\_ .
7. A: Be careful at work today. There are a lot of people with colds these days.
8. B: (0%): Don't worry. I'm \_\_\_\_\_ get sick.
9. A: Do you think we'll have time to eat dinner before the concert starts?
10. B: (75%): \_\_\_\_\_ .

**no chance probably I doubt it way**

11. A: You'd better be careful. Someone might steal your car.
12. B: (0%): No \_\_\_\_\_ . I have a special lock on it.
13. A: You don't look well. Are you getting a cold?
14. B: (75%): I \_\_\_\_\_ am. My sister has one now, too.
15. A: Do you think you'll run a marathon this year?
16. B: (0%): There's \_\_\_\_\_ . I can't even run 3 miles.
17. A: Do you think you'll go swimming this afternoon?
18. B: (25%): \_\_\_\_\_ . I heard it's supposed to rain this afternoon.

## *Student A*

**Step 1.** First fill in the blanks. Then ask your partner these questions. Also, answer your partner's questions by using "probability expressions." Try to explain your reasons with some details.

1. Do you think you'll visit \_\_\_\_\_ this year?
3. Do you think you'll have a \_\_\_\_\_ someday?
5. Do you think you'll go to bed after midnight tonight?
7. Do you think you'll \_\_\_\_\_ for the rest of your life?
9. Do you think you'll go \_\_\_\_\_ this month?
11. Do you think I'll pass this course?
13. Do you think you'll \_\_\_\_\_ within the next five days?
15. Do you think you'll play \_\_\_\_\_ this weekend?

**Step 2.** With your partner, write some "probability questions" in the space below.

**Step 3.** Find a new partner and ask your questions. Also, answer your new partner's questions. Use the "probability expressions."

## *Student B*

**Step 1.** First fill in the blanks. Then ask your partner these questions. Also, answer your partner's questions by using the "probability expressions." Try to explain your reasons with some details.

2. Do you think you'll eat \_\_\_\_\_ for dinner tonight?
4. Do you think you'll \_\_\_\_\_ for your next vacation?
6. Do you think you'll buy \_\_\_\_\_ this year?
8. Do you think you'll text or Skype anyone this evening?
10. Do you think I'll be rich someday?
12. Do you think you'll go \_\_\_\_\_ within the next 2 months?
14. Do you think you'll \_\_\_\_\_ soon?
16. Do you think I'll \_\_\_\_\_ soon?

**Step 2.** With your partner, write some "probability questions" in the space below.

**Step 3.** Find a new partner and ask your questions. Also, answer your new partner's questions. Use the "probability expressions."