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2) For intentions (be going to + verb)

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- **I'm going to** work in a hospital when I leave school.
- We **are not going to** do exercise. We are tired.
- **Are you going to** play volleyball after school? -No, I'm not.
- What **are you going to** have for lunch today? -We **are going to** have ribs.



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