

#### **Block I. The future**

- General objective: Describe future situations
- Expected learning: Express possibilities and preferences with reference to the future in English
- Generic competence: 4.4







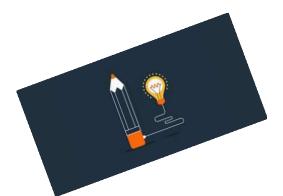
#### **Abstract**

This information and examples will help you to reinforce how to express possibilities and preferences with reference to the future in English.

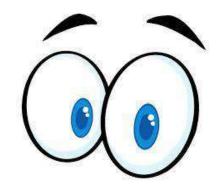
So, you will reflect on how you can:

- Request a favor and a permission
- Making an offer or promise
- Express a present possibility





## **Keywords**



- Smartphone: a mobile phone that performs many of the functions of a computer.
- Request: an act of asking politely or formally for something
- Offer: present or proffer (something) for (someone) to accept or reject as so desired
- Permission: consent; authorization
- Modal verb: an auxiliary verb that expresses necessity or possibility.



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# Read about the following in 2050...





• Ixmiquilpan will have many more inhabitants in 2050. There may be a lot of new companies. Most people will have a Smartphone. There won't (will not) be any ordinary cell-phones. I may not be here in Pachuca. I

may...





#### Look at...





1. A: Excuse me. May I come in?

B: Sure. Take a seat. Will you wait a moment, please?

2. A: Darling, Mary. Will you marry me?

B: Oh! May I think about it for some days?





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3. A: I need to phone Peter and I don't have his number.

B: Let me check -I may have it.





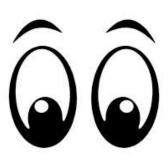
4. A: That was a wonderful party – but, look at the mess!

B: No problem. I will was the dishes.





# CUC PREPARATORIA Noticing: Will and may



 The uses of will and may (modal verbs) are for the future, "definite" and "indefinite", but they have other uses:

 Requesting a favor: Will you read the introduction to my thesis and give me your comments, please?







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• Requesting a permission: May I use your pen? (Can is also common here: Can I use your pen?

• Making an offer or promise: Wait a moment — I'll help you.

• Expressing a present possibility: A ten dollar bill? Let me see. I may have one.





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