Practice

1 **Match the sentences 1 and 2 with A and B.**

0 1 It will probably stop working soon. → B It was very cheap.
2 That machine's going to stop working. → A I can see smoke coming from it.

1 1 It'll rain today.
2 It's going to rain today.
A I can see lots of dark clouds.
B It always rains on my birthday!

2 1 Marco will be the manager one day.
2 Marco's going to be our new manager.
A I've just had an email from the office.
B He's a very good worker.

2 GRAMMAR IN USE **Complete the conversation. Use the verbs in the box with *will* or *going to*. Use short forms.** 3.38 **Listen and check.**

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CARRIE Have you got any plans for the weekend?
ZACK Not really. I (0) *'m going to wait* ... until my sister arrives. I'm not sure what she wants to do.
CARRIE She (1) ..... the weekend here, isn't she?
ZACK Yes. She (2) ..... me all her holiday photos.
CARRIE Well, if the weather's good tomorrow, you can go for a nice walk.
ZACK Yes, but look at those dark clouds. It (3) ..... tonight.
CARRIE Maybe. I (4) ..... on the Internet and see what they say about tomorrow's weather. Oh, what's that noise?
ZACK I think there's someone at the door.
CARRIE I (5) ..... it. ... It's a letter for you. What is it?
ZACK I (6) ..... it now. Oh, it's our concert tickets. Marek's ticket is here as well. I (7) ..... him now and tell him.

3 GRAMMAR IN USE **Complete the email. Use the verbs in brackets () with *will* or in the present continuous.** 3.39 **Listen and check.**

Subject Our Highlands tour

Hi Danny,
I'm so excited that you (0) *'re coming* (come) with us on the Highlands tour tomorrow! The bus (1) ..... (pick us up) at eight, so make sure you're up in time. Don't worry about breakfast because we (2) ..... (stop) at a motorway café at nine o'clock, so we can eat then. I don't know exactly what is included in this tour, but I think we (3) ..... (probably / see) at least three or four castles – they're on the website. I know we (4) ..... (visit) Loch Ness because I saw it on the programme. We might see the monster! In fact, according to the programme, we (5) ..... (spend) half an hour at the Loch Ness Monster exhibition in the afternoon.
It often rains in the Highlands at this time of year so it (6) ..... (probably / rain) tomorrow, but I (7)..... (not take) an umbrella – I don't want to carry it around all day! I don't know what time the tour ends but it (8) ..... (be) dark by seven o'clock, so I think we (9) ..... (be) home by then.
See you tomorrow. Michaela X