


## Practice


## 1 Match the sentences 1–5 with A or B.

- 0 She's certain to be promoted.  
A I'm talking about the present. B I'm talking about the future.
- 1 We were going to go to their party.  
A We went to their party. B We didn't go to their party.
- 2 I can't talk now, I'm about to go out.  
A I'm going out in a few minutes. B I'm going out later this evening.
- 3 I wasn't going to wear that red dress.  
A I didn't wear the red dress. B My friend persuaded me to wear the red dress.
- 4 Four heads of state are to attend the opening ceremony.  
A I read this in a newspaper. B A friend said this.
- 5 The government was going to reduce taxes last year.  
A They reduced taxes last year. B They didn't reduce taxes last year.

2 **GRAMMAR IN USE** Complete the the recorded phone messages with the words and phrases from the box.  3.25 Listen and check.

about to due to ~~hope~~ hope to likely to be sure to want was going to were going to

- A Hi Carla, it's Jane here. I (0) *hope*..... you get this message! Sorry I didn't call you earlier. I (1) ..... phone, but it's been a really busy day. Anyway, I just wanted to tell you that I might be a bit late for the aerobics class this evening. I'm (2) ..... finish a really important report for my boss for tomorrow and I need to spend a couple more hours on it to get it ready. But I'm (3) ..... finish it by 7.00 so I'll see you around 7.30.
- B Hello. Mr Carlton? This is Anthea from the electrical shop. You (4) ..... collect your repaired toaster this morning but you didn't come in to the shop. Do you (5) ..... us to send it to you or do you still want to collect it yourself? The thing is, we're (6) ..... close for our annual holidays so if you don't collect it before the weekend it'll be too late.
- C This is Karen from customer services with a message for Stephen Brook. I'm afraid we've had some problems with our suppliers and there's (7) ..... a few weeks' delay in the delivery of your spare parts. I'm sorry about that. I (8) ..... get a definite date from them in the next few days. I'll phone again when I've got a firm date for you.

3 Complete the second sentence so it means the same as the first, using the word in brackets. Use two to five words in your answer.  3.26 Listen and check.

- 0 They will definitely ask us about our holiday plans. (sure)  
They *are sure to ask us*... about our holiday plans.
- 1 I planned to phone you but I didn't have time. (was)  
I ..... but I didn't have time.
- 2 The new hospital will open next September. (due)  
The new hospital ..... next September.
- 3 I think we're probably going to be there around 6.00. (likely)  
We ..... there around 6.00.
- 4 The Prime Minister will make an announcement this evening. (is)  
The Prime Minister ..... an announcement this evening.