Will and Going to – grammar exercise.

Write either "going to" or “will” plus the verb in the spaces of each sentence below (use the words in brackets).

1. "Where shall we go this weekend?" "I think the zoo is a good idea." "OK. __________ there, then." (we go)

2. He's such a lovely dog. __________ patiently outside the supermarket until I've finished shopping. (he wait)

3. It's too late to go to the station now. The last train __________ left. (have)

4. __________ this form, madam? The doctor needs it before you go in. (you please fill out)

5. "Who'll go and pick up the children from school?" "Don't worry. __________." (I)

6. I have everything clearer now. __________ physics at university. (I not study)

7. Everybody, run for your lives!! __________!! (it explode)

8. Ring the Jones's in Brighton. __________ there on holiday at this time of year. (they be)

9. "I heard a noise outside, Mary" "OK, __________ and see what it is." (I go)

10. "___________ tennis today?" "I'm sorry, John. I'm too busy today." (we not play)

11. __________ at home? I was thinking of inviting her to lunch. (your mother be)

12. Vampire bats __________ the blood from cattle at night. (suck)

13. They're beautiful flowers. __________ two bunches, please. (I have)

14. Oh, no. He's gone green in the face. __________ sick! (he be)

15. I just don't understand it! I can get the key in the lock but the door __________!! (not open)
Teacher’s notes.
“Will” and “going to” grammar exercise. Answers.

Time for activity: 30 mins approx.
Level: intermediate (revision).

As with most exercises of this type, it is possible to interpret the sentences in a different context than the intended one – meaning that answers could vary. Below are the answers in the context which was assumed most likely.

1, "Where shall we go this weekend?" "I think the zoo is a good idea." "OK. We'll go there, then." (decision at moment of speaking)

2, He's such a lovely dog. He'll wait patiently outside the supermarket until I've finished shopping. (habitual action)

3, It's too late to go to the station now. The last train will have left. (deduction)

4, Will you please fill out (Please, will you fill out) this form, madam? The doctor needs it before you go in. (polite request)

5, "Who'll go and pick up the children from school?" "Don't worry. I will." (intention)

6, I have everything clearer now. I'm not going to study physics at university. (plan)

7, Everybody run for your lives!! It's going to explode!! (prediction from present evidence)

8, Ring the Jones's in Brighton. They'll be there on holiday at this time of year. (deduction)

9, "I heard a noise outside, Mary" "OK, I'll go and see what it is." (decision at moment of speaking)

10, "Aren't we going to play tennis today?" "I'm sorry, John. I'm too busy today." (plan)

11, Will your mother be at home? I was thinking of inviting her to lunch. (deduction)

12, Vampire bats will suck the blood from cattle at night. (habitual action)

13, They're beautiful flowers. I'll have two bunches, please. (decision at moment of speaking)

14, Oh, no. He's gone green in the face. He's going to be sick! (prediction from present evidence)

15, I just don't understand it! I can get the key in the lock but the door won't open! (refusal)

Enjoy the class!