

ADJECTIVES FOR SPECULATION

- To say that something is certain to be true or to happen:

Be bound to / be sure to + infinitive

Peter **is bound to / sure to** lose his job, he's been really disloyal to his boss.
Seguro que Peter pierde su trabajo porque ha sido desleal a su jefe.

- To say that something is probable or not to be true or to happen:

be likely / unlikely + to + infinitive

be likely / unlikely + that + clause

Mary **is likely to get** the scholarship. Es probable que Maria consiga una beca.
It's unlikely that we will travel abroad in short time. Es improbable que podamos viajar fuera pronto/ en poco tiempo.

ADVERBS FOR SPECULATION

Definitely (indudablemente, definitivamente, clarisimamente) (certainty) / probably (probablemente) (probability) are adverbs so their position can change.

- **they go before the main verb:**

They **definitely / probably** bought the house.

- **they go between the auxiliary verb and the main verb:**

They will **definitely / probably** buy the house

- **they go before the negative auxiliary verb:**

He **definitely / probably** won't get the degree.

With the verb to be:

- **after the verb to be in positive sentences:**

Mary is **definitely / probably** John's wife.

- **before the verb to be in negative sentences:**

The end of the quarantine **definitely / probably** isn't next month.