| FUTURE EXPRESSIONS WITH BE | | |
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| EXPRESSION WITH BE | MEANING (+ TRANSLATION) | EXAMPLE |
| BE BOUND TO + INFINITIVE | It's inevitable that something will happen. (seguro que) | After such a great performance in his last film , he <u>is</u> bound to win an Oscar. |
| *BE SURE / CERTAIN TO + INF. * that -clause also possible | There is no doubt that something will happen. (seguro que) | He's sure to pass his driving test. *It's sure/ certain that we won't get there until midnight. |
| BE DUE TO + INFINITIVE | It's used to say that something will happen according to a timetable or schedule. (esta programado/ previsto, se espera) | Ann's plane <u>is due to</u> leave at 6.20 |
| BE ABOUT TO + INFINITIVE BE ON THE POINT OF +-ING | It's used to say that something will happen almost immediately. (esta a punto de) | I think the play <u>is about t</u> o start. Mary is <u>on the point of</u> resigning. |
| BE SET TO + INFINITIVE | It's used to predict that something will happen based on current trends. (esta previsto / se prevé / esta destinado a) | The price of the olive oil <u>is set to</u> rise in the weeks ahead. |
| *BE EXPECTED TO + INFINITIVE * that- clause also possible | It's used to say that people or experts believe something will happen. (se espera que) | Students <u>are expected to</u> complete their assignments by the deadline. *Based on the current economic indicators, it <u>is</u> <u>expected that</u> inflation will rise in the near future. |
| *BE LIKELY/ UNLIKELY TO + INF. * That- clause also possible | It's used to say that something probably will or won't happen. (es probable/ no es probable que) | If you study hard, you will be likely to pass your exams. They <u>are unlikely to</u> find a job. * It's like / unlikely that he will win the match. |