

Unit 5 - News



TO THE MOON

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Objective:

By the end of the lesson, you will be able to use will, be going to and might for predictions.



Grammar:
Will, might and be
going to for
predictions

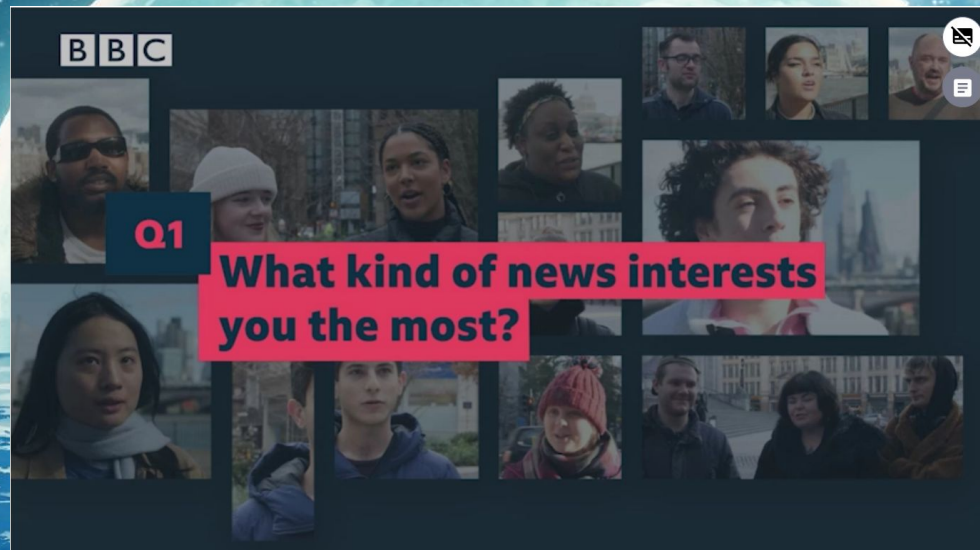
Speaking:
Predicting the
future

What types of news
interest you the most?

Which types are you
not interested in?



Watch the first part of the video. Tick the types of news that are mentioned.



☐ celebrities

☒ crime

☒ culture



☐ international news



☐ local news



☐ music



☐ politics



☐ sports



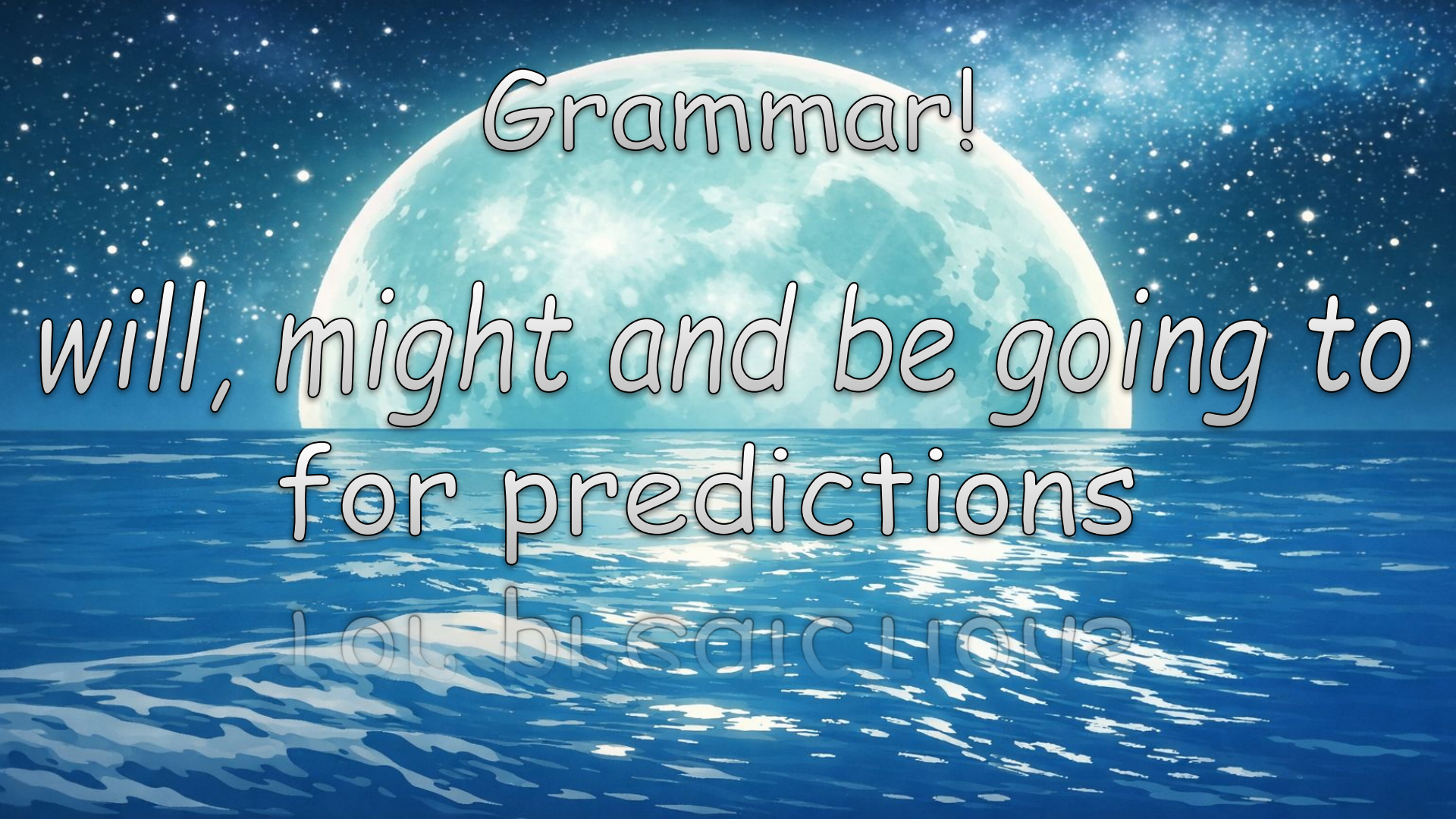
☐ technology

Watch the second part of the video. Make notes on some of the predictions that the speakers make about news in the future.



Choose the correct word to complete the summary for each speaker. Then watch part 2 again and check.

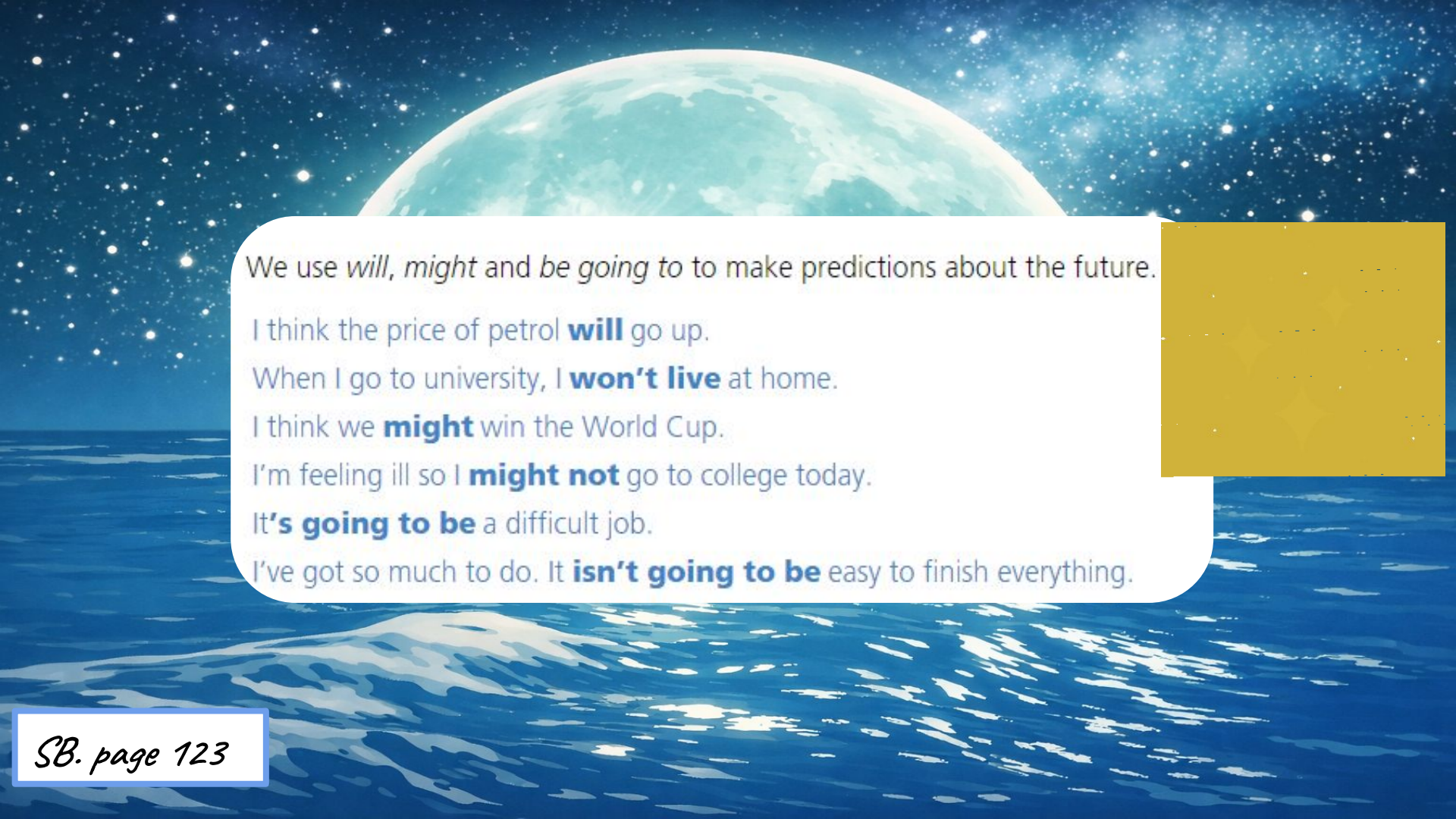
1. Isabelle: I think print media will **-disappear** over time.
2. Matt: There's too much **negativity** on the news.
3. Natalia: I think the **---younger** generation will be more interested in the news.
4. Rob: Hopefully, people will stop getting their news from **--social** media.
5. Devante: Hopefully, it'll be a bit more **selective**.
6. Ayesha: I definitely think that **celebrities** are going to be more prominent in the news.
7. Henry: I think the news will be **--online** a lot more.



Grammar!

will, might and be going to
for predictions

not for predictions



We use *will*, *might* and *be going to* to make predictions about the future.

I think the price of petrol **will** go up.

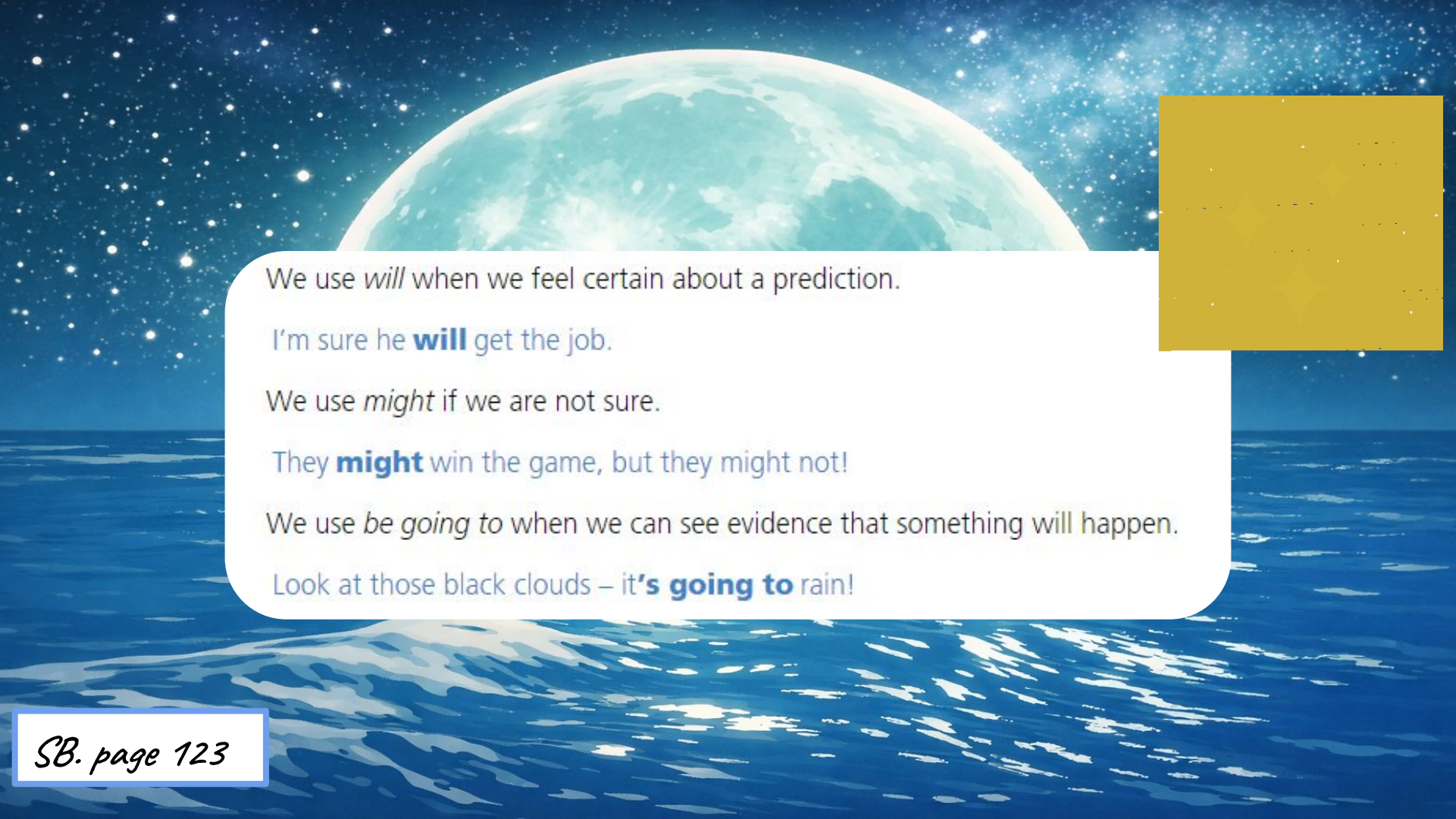
When I go to university, I **won't live** at home.

I think we **might** win the World Cup.

I'm feeling ill so I **might not** go to college today.

It's **going to be** a difficult job.

I've got so much to do. It **isn't going to be** easy to finish everything.



We use *will* when we feel certain about a prediction.

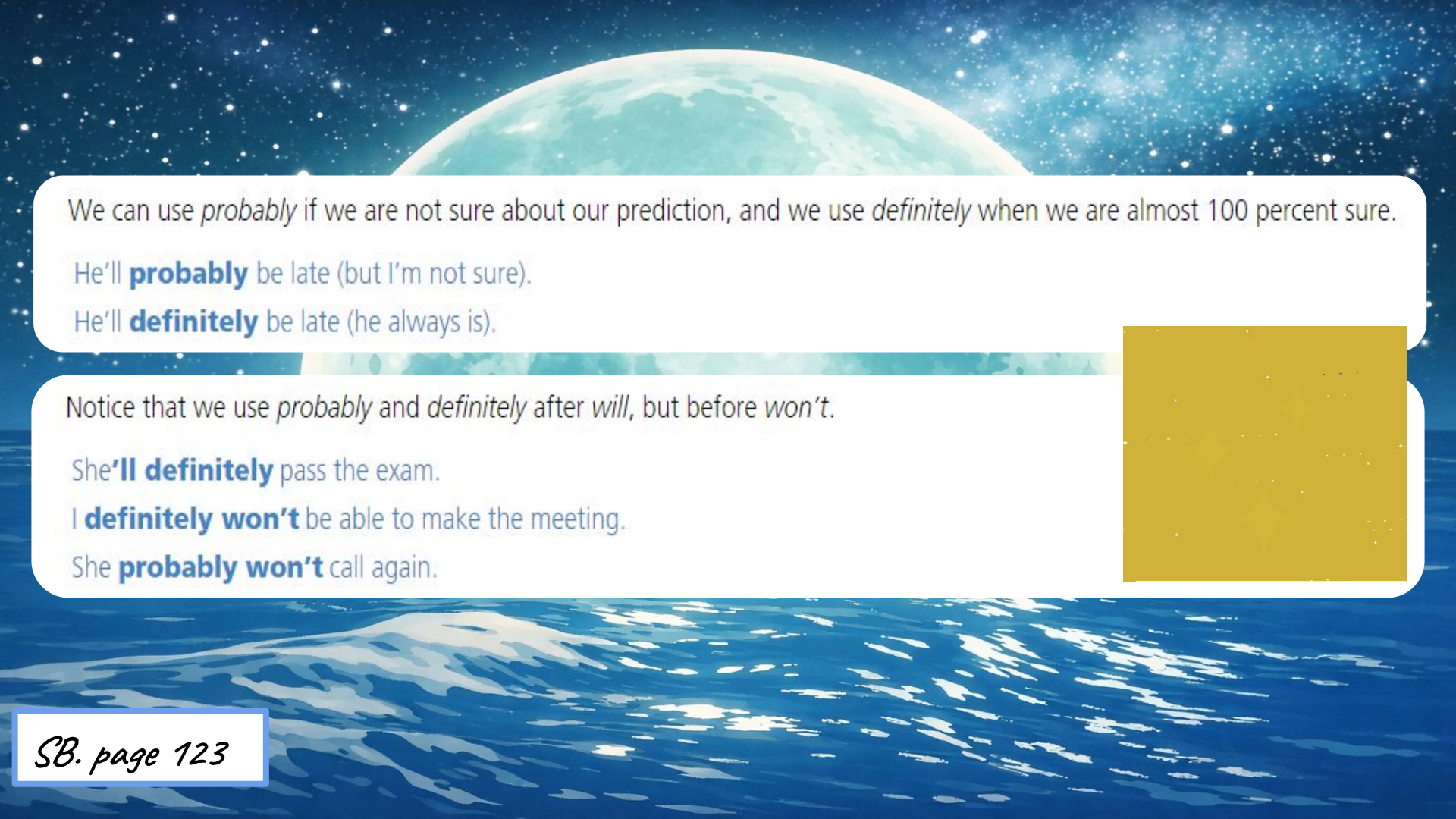
I'm sure he **will** get the job.

We use *might* if we are not sure.

They **might** win the game, but they might not!

We use *be going to* when we can see evidence that something will happen.

Look at those black clouds – it's **going to** rain!



We can use *probably* if we are not sure about our prediction, and we use *definitely* when we are almost 100 percent sure.

He'll **probably** be late (but I'm not sure).

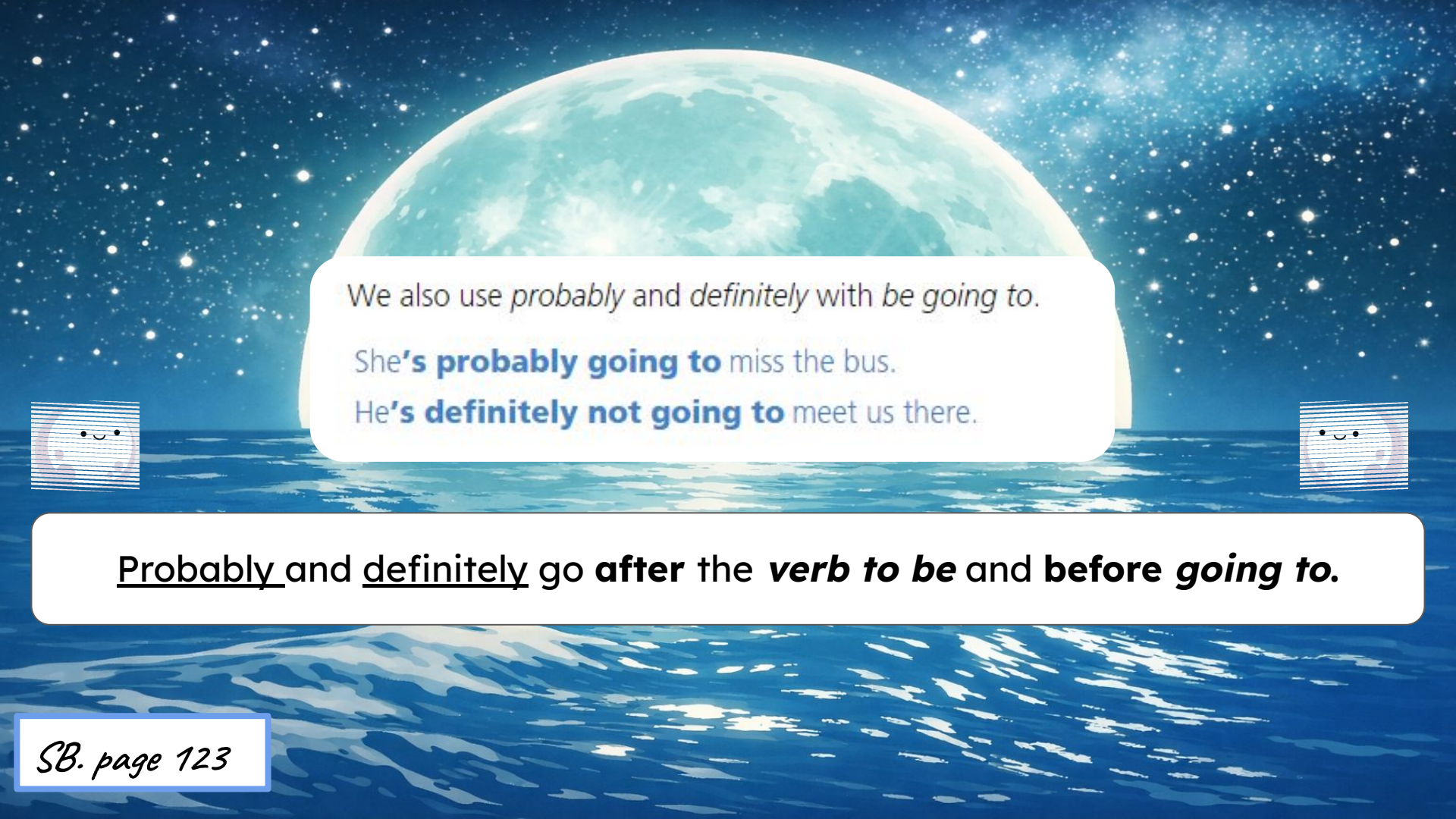
He'll **definitely** be late (he always is).

Notice that we use *probably* and *definitely* after *will*, but before *won't*.

She'll **definitely** pass the exam.

I **definitely won't** be able to make the meeting.

She **probably won't** call again.



We also use *probably* and *definitely* with *be going to*.

She's **probably going to** miss the bus.

He's **definitely not going to** meet us there.

Probably and definitely go **after** the **verb to be** and **before going to**.

3. Complete the sentences with the correct words and phrases below.

definitely win

going to

might be

might not

probably

will

will watch

won't

1. I don't think people **will watch** the news on television in the future.
2. Young people **might not** be very interested in politics.
3. Technological change is **going to** keep on coming.
4. We **will** definitely see more news reports from people in the street, and not just from professional journalists.
5. People probably **won't** be able to tell which reports are by professional journalists.
6. I think there will **probably** be a lot of fake news.
7. Politicians who are better at controlling the news will **definitely** more elections.
8. It **might be** difficult to decide which news reports are real, and which are fake.



4. Complete the sentences using the prompts in brackets in the correct form and with the correct word order.

1. I **probably won't** know my results until August. (**probably** / **will** / **not**)
2. They **are probably going to** invite you to talk at the conference. (**probably** / **going**)
3. I think that team **is probably going to** win the competition. (**probably** / **going**)
4. They **might move** to New York next year. (**move** / **might**)
5. I think my flight **is going to arrive** on time after all. (**going** / **arrive**)
6. He has done no work, so he **is definitely not going to** pass his exams! (**definitely not** / **going**)
7. I think the environment **is definitely going to be** an issue in the future. (**definitely** / **going** / **be**)
8. It's very popular, so we **might not** be able to get tickets. (**not** / **might**)



 1A. Choose the correct word or phrase to complete the sentences.

1. The sky's gone dark, so I'm pretty sure _____ to rain.



☒ a. it's going

☐ b. it might

☐ c. it will

2. I know you're nervous about the test, but I'm sure _____ do well.



a. you might



b. you'll



c. you're going

3. We're late, so _____ miss the start of the film.



a. we're going to



b. we won't



c. we might not

4. Starting a new job can be hard, but I feel sure that _____ be fine.



a. you might



b. you're going



c. you'll

5. I'm not sure this is going to work, but I _____ be wrong.



a. won't



b. might



c. am going to

6. Iwona looks really upset and I'm sure she's _____ to cry.



a. going



b. might



c. will





Speaking!

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Some of you are going to be **fortune tellers**, and some of you are going to be **customers**. You can take turns to ask!

The customers will ask the seers about future events in their lives, and the seers will answer according to what they see in the cards.

Example:

- Am I going to get married before I turn 30?
- *(If the answer is favorable) Yes, you are definitely going to get married.*
- When will it happen?
- *On a Monday, exactly the on the 31st of April, 2029.*

