

Teaching **English**

The Christmas gift experiment

1. Expressions for making predictions

The expressions below can all be used to make predictions about the future. Read them and decide if they are used when someone is sure something will happen or unsure something will happen.

	Certain	Not certain	In between
Example: The man will definitely run away with the gift	X		
1. I'm fairly sure that she'll / she's going to			
2. I have no idea but maybe she'll / she's going to			
3. I'm guessing that she'll / she's going to			
4. <u>I'd say that</u> she'll <u>probably</u> / she's probably going to			
5. I'm totally convinced that she'll / she's going to			
6. Who knows? She might or she might not			
7. It's a pretty strong possibility that she'll / she's going to			
8. There's a good chance that she'll / she's going to			
9. 100% she'll / she's going to			
10. Hmmm tricky. I reckon she'll / she's going to			

2. Read some comments about the video. Do you agree?

'It's always better to give a gift than to receive one.'

'This video is so fake! I don't think that people would do this.'

'I'd never take a present from a stranger.'

'I'd open the present myself!'

Respond to one of these comments or write your own.