Talking about plans: want/would like/would love/wouldn't like to and going to...

We can use "would love to..." to talk about something we would like to do soon or some time in the future.

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\text{I would love to go to Europe next year.}
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We use would like in a similar way.

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\text{I wouldn't like to go to a heavy metal concert. I really dislike that kind of music!}
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\text{would hate/not like + to + infinitive of verb}
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We use the words "Would you like to...?" when we are inviting somebody to do something, or asking them if they want to do something. (Would you like... is a little more formal or polite than "do you want to")

We can answer "Yes, I would" or "No, I wouldn't."

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\text{I would like to see that singer in concert when he comes to our city.}
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Yes, I'd love to see him too!

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\text{Would you like to come with me to see him? I think he is performing here in June.}
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Yes, I would. Thanks.

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\text{Do you want to...? is often used when we want to find out what someone plans or wants to do.}
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\text{do you want + to + infinitive of verb}
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\text{Do you want to go and see him? - Yes I do.}
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\text{Do you want me to get the tickets? - Yes thanks.}
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We can also talk about someone's ambitions (the things they hope to do one day in the future).

Want and hope (want/hope + to + infinitive of verb) are two of the verbs used in this way.

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\text{I want to be a great musician one day.}
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\text{I want to be on American Idol.}
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\text{I just want to get a good job.}
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\text{I hope to visit Finland when I'm older.}
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We use going to to talk about a plan. We can use going to for talking about things we are going to do at a future time - something that we have arranged to do* or decided to do before this moment.

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\text{I'm going to move to California next year.}
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\text{I'm going to be an actor.}
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\text{I'm going to send that director my idea.}
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*We can also use the Present Continuous for a plan or arrangement.

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\text{I'm meeting Susie at a cafe for lunch.}
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\text{He's visiting us next year.}
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Exercise 1
Put the words in the sentences below in the correct order.

1. a / musician / want / to / be / I ________________________________
2. when / hope / to / I / go / to / music school / I'm older ________________________________
3. London or / to / study / in / Berlin / I'd / like ________________________________
4. I'd / meet / love / other / to / musicians ________________________________
5. to practice / going / get up / at 6 am / I'm / to / every day ________________________________
6. ordinary job / want / I / have / an / don't / to ________________________________

Exercise 2
Complete the sentences below. The first one is done for you as an example.

1. Do you want to... (invite someone to have coffee with you). **Answer:** Do you want to have a coffee after class?
2. Would you like to... (invite someone to go to a sports event with you).

3. I'd like to... (say what country you would like to visit one day).

4. Would you like to... (invite someone to come to your house).

5. Do you want to... (invite someone to go shopping with you on Saturday).

6. I'd love to... (say what famous person you would like to meet).

Answer Key:

**Exercise 1 Answers**
1. I want to be a musician.
2. When I'm older I hope to go to music school.
3. I'd like to study in London or Berlin.
4. I'd love to meet other musicians.
5. I'm going to get up at 6 am every day to practice.
6. I don't want to have an ordinary job.

**Exercise 2 Sample Answers**
2. Would you like to come to the football?
3. I'd like to visit Tuvalu one day.
4. Would you like to come round to my place some time?
5. Do you want to come with me to the mall on Saturday?
6. I'd love to meet Nelson Mandela.