

Why do we need “be going to”?

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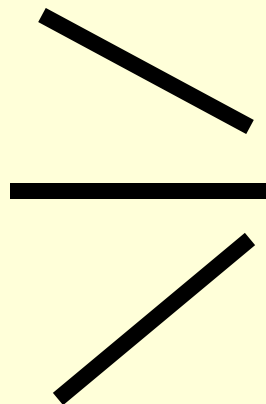
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Which of the following sentences are correct?

1. I'm tired. I'm going to bed.
2. Clear the area! The bomb's exploding.
3. Unless aid arrives within the next few days, thousands are starving.
4. The universe is going to expand for billions of years.
5. Look! You are going to hit the car in front.
6. OK. I promise, I'm going to read this book.

The key: 1,4,5

What's going to happen next?

