

# Forecasts for 2018

At the beginning of a calendar year, a vast array of experts, reputed prognosticators, and average citizens speculate about what that year will hold. Here is a list of some predictions for this year.

Review this list. Choose three you believe are the most likely (ML) to happen and three you believe that are very unlikely (VU) to occur.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. The sequel to *Frozen* is released in theaters, and parents everywhere refuse to take their children. (Let it go!)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. North Korean citizens will rise and overthrow Kim Jong-un. His body will not be found.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3 There will be a record number of people who refuse to pay their taxes this year.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Hurricanes will devastate the cities of Seattle and Portland.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. A young couple claiming to be the next Bonnie and Clyde will rob banks across the U.S.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. The first 3D printed car will be created.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. Former presidents George W. Bush and Barack Obama will be booed and pelted with eggs and tomatoes at separate speaking events.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. Cuba will become the 51<sup>st</sup> U.S. state.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. It will be a mild winter with limited snowfall in the U.S. this year.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. The leaning tower of Pisa in Italy collapses.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 11. Scientists begin testing reverse aging techniques on humans after success with mice.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 12. Claiming to be directed by the ghost of a former sports celebrity, a lone gunman goes on the largest gun spree in US history.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 13. The U.S. will attack North Korea.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 14. The efforts to ban smoking and cigarettes take off and within ten years, cigarettes will be illegal in practically all nations on Earth.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 15. A world flu epidemic will be caused by a biological weapon released by North Korea.