

# Subjunctive

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## The subjunctive mood

The subjunctive mood helps us express wishes, hopes, and imaginary situations.

**When to use it:**

- **wishes and desires:** When you want something to happen but it hasn't yet.
- **suggestions and recommendations:** When you give advice or say what someone should do.

**How it works:**

- **verbs of suggestion:** These are markers for the subjunctive. Examples are **advice, suggest, ask, demand, insist, prefer, recommend**
  - verb of suggestion + 'that' + base verb (infinitive)
  - Example: 'His boss demanded that he work overtime.', 'Her teacher suggested that she study for 1 hour last night.'
- **Adjectives of importance:** These are adjectives that trigger the subjunctive. Examples are **important, necessary, essential, vital**
  - Adjective of importance + 'that' + base verb (infinitive)
  - Example: 'It was important that he call me yesterday.', 'It is essential that the operator remain calm during an emergency.'

### Remember

Look for the word 'that' in sentences. If you see it, a subjunctive might be nearby. Don't confuse it with regular present verbs. Keep an eye out for the base verb (infinitive).

## Find the subjunctive mood

### Mark the verbs in the subjunctive mood

When managing housework, it is important that each member of the household participate in daily chores. It is suggested that a cleaning schedule be established to ensure fairness. Parents may request that children help with age-appropriate tasks. It is essential that everyone respect shared spaces by keeping them tidy. Homeowners recommend that guests remove their shoes upon entering. It is crucial that repairs be addressed promptly to maintain the home's condition. Some propose that technology assist in automating certain chores. It is vital that open communication exist to manage expectations about housework.

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## Practice using the subjunctive mood

**Rewrite the sentence 'It is important for us to have a list of chores.' using the subjunctive mood.**

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**Rewrite the sentence 'I think it's necessary for everyone to do their part in the household.' using the subjunctive mood.**

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**Rewrite the sentence 'They should implement a rotation system to avoid burnout.' using the subjunctive mood.**

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**Rewrite the sentence 'I hope the housework gets done quickly and efficiently.' using the subjunctive mood.**

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**Write 4 sentences using the subjunctive mood.**

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