

## Free English Grammar \* Gramática Inglesa Gratis

## 1. Subjunctive = subjuntivo

*En la conversación, el subjuntivo inglés se usa poco.*

*La 3ª persona singular del "present simple" del subjuntivo no tiene la "s".*

Present Simple Indicative		Present Simple Subjunctive	
I	work	I	work
you	work	you	work
he	works	he	work
we	work	we	work
you	work	you	work
they	work	they	work

*Los otros tiempos del subjuntivo son iguales a los del indicativo, excepto el verbo "to be".*

## Indicative

I worked	= yo trabajé - yo trabajaba
I had worked	= yo había trabajado etc.
I could	= yo podía etc.

## Subjunctive

If I worked	= si yo trabajara
If I had worked	= si yo hubiera trabajado
If I could	= si yo pudiera etc.

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to be

(indicative and subjunctive)

present simple	
indicative	
I	am
you	are
he	is
we	are
you	are
they	are

present simple	
subjunctive	
I	be
you	be
he	be
we	be
you	be
they	be

past simple	
indicative	
I	was
you	were
he	was
we	were
you	were
they	were

past simple	
subjunctive	
I	were
you	were
he	were
we	were
you	were
they	were

- > The director requests that you **be** present at the meeting.  
(El director solicita que tú **estés** presente en la reunión).
- > It is necessary that the dog **be** kept on a leash.  
(Es necesario que el perro lleve correa.)
- > **If I were** rich, I would buy an airplane and travel around the world.  
(Si fuera rico, compraría un avión y viajaría por el mundo.)

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## 2. Subjunctive

El "*subjunctive*" se usa después de verbos como:

to ask (that)	<i>pedir (que)</i>
to command (that)	<i>comandar (que)</i>
to demand (that)	<i>exigir (que)</i>
to insist (that)	<i>insistir (que)</i>
to propose (that)	<i>proponer (que)</i>
to recommend (that)	<i>aconsejar (que)</i>
to request (that)	<i>solicitar (que)</i>
to suggest (that)	<i>sugerir (que) etc.</i>

- > The teacher **suggests that** she **take** (*tome*) private lessons if she wants to pass her next exam.
- > The doctor highly **recommends that** you **quit** (*deje*) smoking as soon as possible.
- > Arizona law **requires that** every taxi driver **be** (*esté*) drug tested every year.
- > The school director **demands that** every student **wear** (*lleve*) a school uniform.
- > The mother **requests that** her child **wash** (*se lave*) his hands before eating.

**Nota**

Cuando el sujeto de la frase es la **3ª persona** del singular, el verbo no toma la "s". (*take - quit - wear - wash*).

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## 3. Subjunctive

El "*subjunctive*" se usa también después de expresiones como:

It is a bad/good idea (that)

It is essential (that)

It is important (that)

It is best (that)

It is urgent (that)

It is necessary (that)

It is desirable (that) etc.

> **It is a bad idea that** Miriam **stop** (*deje de*) going to college.

**It is essential that** you **finish** (*termines*) your project by Sunday.

**It is important that** you **be** (*esté*) formally dressed for the job interview.

**It is best that** he **do** (*haga*) some stretching before running.

**It is urgent that** my mother **go** (*vaya*) to the hospital for a medical check-up.

To get the job at the embassy **it is necessary that** she **speak** (*hable*) French and German fluently.

**It is desirable that** the pages of a book **be** (*sean*) rough, because it is easier to turn them.

**Nota**

Cuando el sujeto de la frase es la **3ª persona del singular**, el verbo no toma la "s". (*stop - finish - do - go - speak*).

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## 4. Subjunctive

Después de "if - as if - wish", en el inglés formal se usa "were" en vez de "was".

formal	If I <b>were</b> younger I would run the New York marathon.
informal	If I <b>was</b> younger I would run the New York marathon.
formal	She dresses <b>as if she were</b> a top model.
informal	She dresses <b>as if she was</b> a top model.
formal	I <b>wish I were</b> tall enough to play basketball.
informal	I <b>wish I was</b> tall enough to play basketball.

## 5. Subjunctive

La estructura del subjuntivo es la misma, tanto cuando la frase está en **presente** como cuando está en **pasado**.

- > The doctor highly **recommends that** he **quit** smoking as soon as possible.  
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- > **It is urgent that** my mother **go** to the hospital for a medical check-up.  
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## 6. Subjunctive

Long live the Queen!

*¡Larga vida a la Reina!*

God save the King!

*¡Dios salve al Rey!*

God bless you!

*¡Dios te (os) bendiga!*

God bless America!

*¡Dios bendiga América!*

If need be

*Si fuese necesario*

Come what may

*Vaya como vaya - Sea lo que sea*

God forbid!

*¡Dios no lo quiera!*