



SPANISH GUIDE TO VERB MOODS

INDICATIVE, IMPERATIVE & SUBJUNCTIVE



WHAT ARE VERB MOODS IN SPANISH

INDICATIVE

Facts, certainty and reality.



Ella estudia mucho.
She studies a lot.

IMPERATIVE

Expresses commands.



¡Estudia un rato más!
Study a little more!

SUBJUNCTIVE

Subjective. Hopes, doubts, emotions.



Ojalá Luz estudie bien.
I hope Luz studies well.

WHAT IS THE INDICATIVE MOOD IN SPANISH

KEY POINTS

- The indicative mood refers to actions perceived as factual or real.
- This mood has five main tenses with their progressives and perfect forms.
- It can refer to current events, memories, past actions, conditions, and future plans.



A Ken le gusta los perros.
Ken likes dogs.

Cuando era niño, quería ser doctor.
When I was a child, I wanted to be a doctor.

WHAT IS THE SUBJUNCTIVE MOOD IN SPANISH

KEY POINTS

- It expresses subjectivity.
- It conveys someone's hopes, suggestions, emotions, or doubts about an action.
- Sentences with subjunctive often involve two subjects.
- The subjunctive mood has four tenses: present, past, and their perfect forms.



Espero que Juan **me invite** a salir.

I hope Juan **asks** me out.

Me gustaría que **fuéramos** al cine.

I'd like us to **go** to the movies.

WHAT IS THE IMPERATIVE MOOD IN SPANISH

KEY POINTS

- The imperative is used to give commands.
- Commands can be affirmative (what to do) or negative (what not to do).
- The imperative has no tenses.



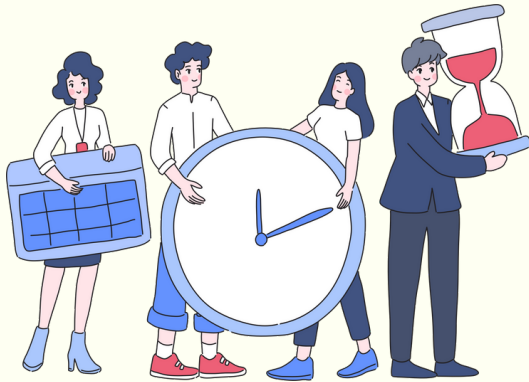
Limpia tu cuarto.
Clean your room.

No hables con extraños.
Don't talk to strangers.

TENSES VS MOODS IN SPANISH

SPANISH TENSES

Convey when an action takes place.



Hoy tuvimos una reunión.
Today, we had a meeting

SPANISH MOODS

Convey if the action is factual, an order, or subjective.



No creí que fueran a llegar tarde.
I didn't think they were going to be late.

Note: The indicative and subjunctive moods have different tenses.

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