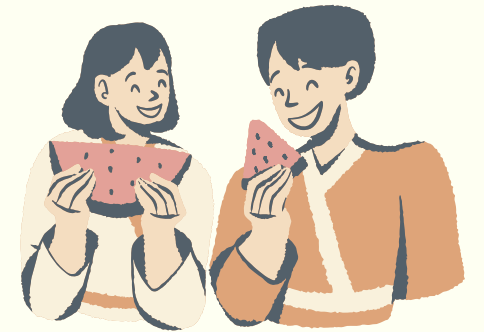




A SIMPLE GUIDE TO MASTER THE SPANISH SUBJUNCTIVE TIPS, EXAMPLES & TENSES



WHEN TO USE THE SUBJUNCTIVE IN SPANISH

KEY POINTS

- The Spanish subjunctive mood conveys hypothetical situations and subjectivity.
- It doesn't refer to real actions, but rather doubts, feelings, advice, suggestions, requests, etc.
- There are 4 key subjunctive tenses to learn:
 - Present, Imperfect, present perfect and past perfect



Ojalá tengas un buen viaje.
I hope you have a good trip.

No creo que David vaya a venir.
I don't think David is going to come.

TOP USES OF THE SUBJUNCTIVE IN SPANISH

6 Uses of the Subjunctive

- Express hopes and wishes.
- Give advice or suggestions.
- Describe qualities of unknown people or things.
- Request or demand something.
- Express feelings and emotions about an event.
- Communicate doubts and possibilities.



USES OF THE SUBJUNCTIVE MOOD IN SPANISH

The subjunctive expresses:



Hopes & Wishes.



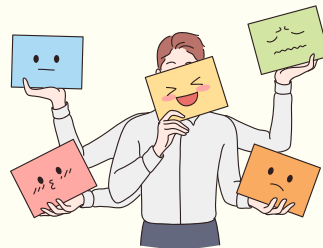
Advice or Suggestions.



Doubts & Possibilities.



Requests or Demands.



Feelings & Emotions Caused by
Something.



Qualities of Unknown People or
Things.

USES SUMMARY: W.E.I.R.D.O IN SPANISH

WISHES

Yo quería que ustedes me ayudaran.

I wanted you guys to help me.

REQUESTS & RECOMMENDATIONS

Les recomendé que vieran esta película.
I recommended them to watch this movie.

EMOTIONS

Me da tristeza que ustedes no se lleven bien.

It makes me sad that you don't get along.

DOUBTS

No creo que David vaya a venir.

I don't think David is going to come.

IMPERSONAL EXPRESSIONS

Es posible que no pueda ir.

It's possible that I can't go.

OJALÁ

Ojalá tengas un buen viaje.

I hope you have a good trip.

SENTENCE STRUCTURE FOR THE SUBJUNCTIVE

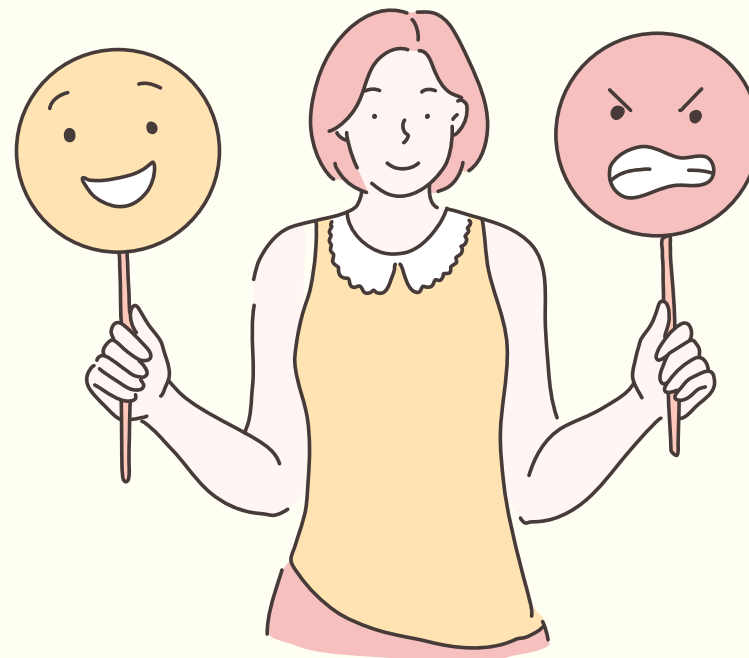
[Indicative verb] + que + [verb in subjunctive]

Nos alegra que estés bien.

We are happy that you are okay.

Quiero que vayas.

I want you to go.



[Impersonal expression] + que + [verb in subjunctive]

Es importante que leas las instrucciones.

It's important that you read the instructions.

WHEN NOT TO USE THE SUBJUNCTIVE

KEY POINTS

- When referring to real actions or events that are perceived as factual.
- When the hopes, demands, advice, or doubts are directed toward the same subject.
 - In such cases, you must use an infinitive verb.



María no es muy amable.

Maria is not very nice.

Espero llegar temprano.

I hope I arrive early.

LIST OF SUBJUNCTIVE TENSES IN SPANISH



PRESENT

Que **tengas** buen día.

Have a good day.

PRESENT PERFECT

Dudo que haya tenido un buen día.

I doubt that he had a good day.

PAST OR IMPERFECT

Quería que **fueras** conmigo.

I wanted you to go with me.

PAST PERFECT

Ojalá hubieras ido conmigo.

I wish you had gone with me.

Note: The future subjunctive is no longer used in contemporary Spanish.

HOW TO FORM THE PERFECT TENSES

Haber in subjunctive form + past participle is the formula to form the subjunctive perfect tenses.
Use the different subjunctive forms of 'haber' depending on the tense you need.

HABER (PRESENT)

Present subjunctive conjugations.

Haya

Hayas

Haya

Hayamos

Hayáis

Hayan

HABER (IMPERFECT)

Imperfect subjunctive conjugations.

Hubiera / Hubiese

Hubieras / Hubieses

Hubiera / Hubiese

Hubiéramos / Hubiésemos

Hubieseis

Hubieran / Hubiesen

PAST PARTICIPLE

Add verb in its past participle form.

-AR= -ado

Cantar > Cantado

-ER & -IR= -ido

Tener > Tenido

Vivir > Vivido

KEY POINTS: SUBJUNCTIVE MOOD IN SPANISH

- The Spanish subjunctive conveys the speaker's subjectivity.
- As a result, it's used to express uncertainty, hopes, feelings about an action or behavior, requests, and suggestions, and describe the qualities of an unknown person or place.
- The actions expressed with the subjunctive are hypothetical because they have not occurred, and we do not know if they will happen.
- Sentences with the subjunctive use two subjects and two verbs.
- Subjunctive statements express that someone wishes, suggests, or has a certain emotion or doubts about another person's actions, behaviors, or states.
- We must use an infinitive verb when the hopes, needs, or recommendations are directed toward the same subject.
- The subjunctive mood in Spanish has four main tenses: present, past, present perfect, and past perfect.

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