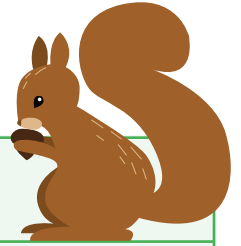


VERB MOODS



The **mood** of a verb shows the writer's or speaker's purpose or attitude.

The **indicative** mood expresses statements of fact or opinion.

*The squirrels **scrambled** up the tree.*

The **interrogative** mood asks a question.

*Why **did** the squirrels **scramble** up the tree?*

The **imperative** mood expresses a direct demand. The verb's implied subject is "you."

***Look** at those squirrels scrambling up the tree!*

The **conditional** mood expresses the potential effect of a condition being met.

*If Flora's dog saw the squirrels, **he would chase** after them.*

The **subjunctive** mood may express **counterfactuals**, or situations that are not true or not possible under the current circumstances. The plural verb "were" is used even for singular subjects.

*If her dog **were** smaller, the squirrels might not be so frightened of him.*

The **subjunctive** mood may also express indirect demands, requests, and suggestions, used in clauses appearing after phrases like "request that." The base form of the verb is used.

*Flora's squirrel-loving neighbor requested that **she walk** her dog on the other side of the street.*

Part A: Write the verb mood used in the underlined part of each sentence.

- When you visit the beach, do you ever search for sea glass or driftwood? interrogative
- Although sunsets are beautiful, I love the quiet serenity of sunrises. indicative
- If we had enough peaches, I would make a cobbler for dessert tonight. conditional
- After Ethan spent 20 minutes trying to park downtown, his aunt playfully suggested that he practice his parallel parking more. subjunctive
- Nevaeh was fascinated when she learned that frogs absorb water through their skin. indicative
- Even if it's cloudy, don't forget to reapply sunscreen every two hours. imperative
- If Liam were a more confident singer, he might consider trying out for the winter musical. subjunctive
- With the new setting on your phone camera, have you been able to capture any great action shots? interrogative
- If you water your indoor cactus plant too often, it could develop root rot. conditional
- Before beginning any DIY construction project, first gather all the necessary safety equipment, and then carefully read the instructions. imperative

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Part B: Rewrite each sentence in the mood that is specified below. *Sample Answers:*

1. **Indicative:** We have to work together to complete the escape room.

Interrogative: *Do we have to work together to complete the escape room?*

2. **Subjunctive:** The musician requests that you turn off your phone before entering the recital hall.

Imperative: *Please turn off your phone before entering the recital hall.*

3. **Interrogative:** Did Owen send in his application for the summer internship at the aquarium?

Indicative: *Owen sent in his application for the summer internship at the aquarium.*

4. **Indicative:** Jocelyn saved her allowance for a year, so she has enough money to buy a new kayak.

Conditional: *If Jocelyn saved her allowance for a year, she would have enough money to buy a new kayak.*

5. **Imperative:** When preparing for a hike, remember to pack water, snacks, and a first aid kit.

Subjunctive: *I suggest that you pack water, snacks, and a first aid kit for your hike.*

Part C: Write your own sentences using each of the verb moods! *Answers will vary*

Indicative: _____

Interrogative: _____

Imperative: _____

Conditional: _____

Subjunctive: _____
