

# Use Verb Mood for Effect

The **mood** of a verb communicates the intention of the speaker or writer. When choosing your verb mood, think about the message you want to convey.

Verb Mood	Effect	Example
<b>indicative</b>	expresses a fact or opinion	Sal <b>gives</b> the horse a carrot.
<b>interrogative</b>	asks a question	<b>Did</b> Sal <b>give</b> the horse a carrot?
<b>imperative</b>	expresses a direct command	Sal, <b>give</b> the horse a carrot.
<b>conditional</b>	expresses the potential effect of a condition being met	If Sal gave the horse carrots, she <b>would like</b> him more.
<b>subjunctive</b>	expresses counterfactuals, or hypothetical situations that are not true or not possible	If the horse <b>were</b> friendlier, Sal would give her more carrots.
	expresses <i>indirect</i> demands, requests, and suggestions	The stable hand suggested that Sal <b>give</b> the horse apples instead of carrots.

For each problem, rewrite the scenario to achieve a different effect.



- 1. Express a direct command:** Remain seated until the plane arrives at the gate.

Express an indirect demand or request: The flight attendant requests that passengers remain seated until the plane arrives at the gate.



- 2. Ask a question:** Has the tennis player recovered from her injury yet?

Express a potential effect of a condition being met: \_\_\_\_\_



- 3. Express a direct command:** Catch the ice cream truck before it leaves the neighborhood!

Express a counterfactual: \_\_\_\_\_



- 4. Express an indirect demand or request:** Mrs. Holland requested that I pet-sit her dogs for her when she goes out of town this weekend.

Express a potential effect of a condition being met: \_\_\_\_\_

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Keep going! For each problem, rewrite the scenario to achieve a different effect.



5. **Express a counterfactual:** If he were more attentive in the morning, Dario might not have forgotten his lunch at home.

**Express a fact or opinion:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



6. **Express a potential effect of a condition being met:** If the arcade had a laser tag arena, we would spend most of our time playing laser tag.

**Ask a question:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



7. **Express a counterfactual:** If I were you, I would turn my phone off completely before the movie begins.

**Express a direct command:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



8. **Express an indirect demand or request:** Jayden requested that we stop by and say hello if we see him at the trampoline park.

**Express a potential effect of a condition being met:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



9. **Express a direct command:** Study your vocabulary cards and the study guide before the life science test on Friday.

**Express a counterfactual:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



10. **Express a counterfactual:** If I were a school bus driver, I would play music to brighten the students' day on the way to and from school.

**Express an indirect demand or request:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



11. **Ask a question:** Did you hear a peculiar noise coming from the basement last night?

**Express a counterfactual:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_