

Mood

Mood is the form a verb takes to indicate the attitude of the person using the verb.

- (1) The **indicative mood** is used to express a fact, an opinion, or a question.

EXAMPLE	Deborah is an excellent swimmer.
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- (2) The **imperative mood** is used to express a direct command or request.

EXAMPLE	Go to the store and buy some more flour, please.
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- (3) The **subjunctive mood** is used to express a suggestion, a necessity, a condition contrary to fact, or a wish.

EXAMPLE	Our director insisted that we be on time for the concert.
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EXERCISE A On the line before each sentence, identify the mood of the underlined verb by writing *IND* for indicative, *IMP* for imperative, or *SUBJ* for subjunctive.

Example	SUBJ	1. If I <u>were</u> you, I would buy tickets soon.
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- 1. Do not miss this show by the José Greco II Flamenco Dance Company.
- 2. The company is famous for its strength and artistry.
- 3. Tell me whether you like the show.
- 4. José Greco II, also called "Pepe," wants to strengthen flamenco tradition.
- 5. If he were to define his work, he might say "trying for better and more."
- 6. It is essential that flamenco dances include intense footwork.
- 7. Notice the influence of his training with the National Ballet of Spain.

_____ 8. He wishes to leave his own mark on this dance form, as his father did.

_____ 9. Can you tell me how long his company has been on tour?

_____ 10. He may wish he were able to be at home more than one month a year.

EXERCISE B On the line provided, write the correct form of the italicized verb given before each sentence.

Example	1. <i>know</i> I wish I knew how to prepare as many dishes as Malcolm does.
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11. *go* Yesterday, Malcolm and I _____ into the kitchen to make a tossed salad.

12. *wash* "First," said Malcolm, " _____ the raw vegetables very well."

13. *put* He continued, "Now, _____ all the vegetables in the bowl."

14. *be* He said, "I only wish Jane _____ here to enjoy this delicious salad with us."

15. *Pass* "I know. Oh, well," I said. " _____ me the dressing and the tongs so I can start tossing!"

Answer Keys:

EXERCISE A

1. IMP
2. IND
3. IMP
4. IND
5. SUBJ
6. SUBJ
7. IMP
8. IND
9. IND
10. SUBJ

EXERCISE B

11. went
12. wash
13. put
14. were
15. Pass