**Apuntes: el presente del subjuntivo**

**What is the subjunctive?**

The subjunctive is a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Subjunctive verbs express uncertainty, influence, emotion, doubt or denial. In other words, the subjunctive expresses the speaker’s attitude toward events as well as actions, or states what the speaker views as uncertain. In other words, the subjunctive expresses things or ideas that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ happen. Sentences using the subjunctive also have a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**What does a subjunctive sentence look like?**

A sentence using the subjunctive will typically have three parts:

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**What are the present subjunctive conjugations of regular verbs?**

To conjugate a verb in the present subjunctive:

* Take the “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_” form of the present indicative
* Drop the “\_\_\_\_\_”
* Add the opposite ending

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| **-ar verbs**  | **-er/-ir verbs** |

\*Using the “yo” form of the present indicative takes into account **stem-changes** as well as **irregular “yo” forms** in **ALL conjugations**. The following verbs also have spelling changes:

**-car** (c  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_)

**-gar** (g  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_)

**–zar** (z  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_)

**What are the present subjunctive conjugations of irregular verbs?**

The following six verbs are irregular in the present subjunctive:

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| **dar**  | **estar**  | **ir**  |
| **saber**  | **ser**  | **\*haber**  |

**Impersonal expressions used with the subjunctive**

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| Es importante que… |  |
| Es necesario que… |  |
| Es imprescindible que… |  |
| Es preciso que… |  |
| Es bueno que… |  |
| Es malo que… |  |
| Es mejor que… |  |
| Es probable que… |  |
| Es posible que… |  |
| Es imposible que… |  |
| No es cierto que… |  |
| Es una lástima que… |  |
| Es dudoso que… |  |

**Impersonal expressions NOT using the subjunctive (these express fact!)**

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| Es obvio que… |  |
| Es cierto que… |  |
| Es seguro que… |  |
| Es evidente que… |  |
| Es verdad que… |  |