

THE IMPERATIVE MOOD

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Form	Structure	Example sentence	Use/meaning
Affirmative	Base verb (+ object)	Open the door.	Giving commands, instructions
Negative	Don't + base verb (+ object)	Don't eat the cake.	Giving negative commands, prohibitions
Polite Request	Please + base verb (+ object)	Please help me.	Polite requests, formal instructions
Suggestions	Let's + base verb (+ object)	Let's go to the park.	Making suggestions, inviting others
Warnings	Watch out!/Be careful!/ Don't + verb	Watch out! / Don't touch that.	Giving warnings, alerts