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The subjunctive and formal structures (I suggest that he be…, It's time…)

Remember suggest / recommend / insist / demand + that + subject + base verb (no -s, no past): I suggest that he be on time.
It is essential / vital / important that + subject + base verb · Negative: that she not be late · British English often uses should: that he should go · Informal British English also uses normal tenses: I suggest that he goes (not wrong in everyday speech)
It's (high / about) time + subject + past simple = it should happen now: It's time we went. · Formal "were": If I were you…

PART A

Complete the sentences.

1. The teacher suggested that Aiko _____ (join, subjunctive) the science club.
2. It is vital that everyone _____ (be, subjunctive) on time for the exam.
3. The manager insisted that he _____ (not / use, subjunctive) his phone in meetings.
4. It's high time you _____ (go) to bed — it's midnight!
5. They demanded that the company _____ (pay, subjunctive) for the damage.
6. It's about time the city _____ (build) a new hospital.

PART B

Find the mistake and write the correct sentence.

1. I suggest you to apply early.

2. It's time we leave.

3. They insisted him to pay.

4. They insisted that he doesn't pay.

PART C · YOUR TURN

Write three true sentences about you using this grammar.

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