

# Subjunctive & Formal Expressions – CAE Practice

## Part 1: Complete the Sentences (Subjunctive Form)

1. It is essential that the committee \_\_\_\_ (review) the proposal before Friday.
2. The teacher suggested that he \_\_\_\_ (retake) the exam.
3. The council demanded that the building \_\_\_\_ (be) inspected immediately.
4. It is vital that she \_\_\_\_ (arrive) on time.
5. His lawyer insisted that he \_\_\_\_ (be) released without delay.

## Part 2: Rewrite Using the Subjunctive

1. It is important for students to submit their forms on time. → It is important that...
2. The manager said: 'Replace the old equipment.' → The manager demanded that...
3. It is necessary for visitors to wear ID badges. → It is necessary that...
4. They said it was a good idea for us to meet earlier. → They suggested that...

## Part 3: Choose the Correct Option

1. It is crucial that every employee (attend / attends) the training.
2. They insisted that the report (be / is) updated.
3. It is recommended that she (should take / takes) a break.
4. The director proposed that the event (start / starts) earlier.

## Part 4: Fixed Expressions – Fill in the Missing Words

1. \_\_\_\_\_ forbid something should go wrong.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ it to say, the project was not successful.
3. Come what \_\_\_\_\_, we will continue.
4. Be that as it \_\_\_\_\_, we must follow the guidelines.

## Part 5: Error Correction

1. ✗ It is vital that she arrives early.
2. ✗ They suggested that he to speak to HR.

3. ✗ The director demanded that the policy is changed.
4. ✗ It is essential that the documents will be submitted today.

## **Answer Key**

### **Part 1**

1. review
2. retake
3. be
4. arrive
5. be

### **Part 2**

1. It is important that students submit their forms on time.
2. The manager demanded that the old equipment be replaced.
3. It is necessary that visitors wear ID badges.
4. They suggested that we meet earlier.

### **Part 3**

1. attend
2. be
3. should take
4. start

### **Part 4**

1. Heaven forbid
2. Suffice it
3. may
4. may

### **Part 5**

1. It is vital that she arrive early.
2. They suggested that he speak to HR.
3. The director demanded that the policy be changed.
4. It is essential that the documents be submitted today.