

Examples of fear clauses with the subjunctive

οὐ γὰρ ἔδεισά κω μὴ ἐσσωθέωμεν ὑπὸ Σκυθέων μάχῃ, ἀλλὰ μᾶλλον μὴ οὐ δυνάμενοι σφέας εὔρεϊν πάθωμεν τι ἀλώμενοι.

I was not in any sense worried that we may be beaten in battle against the Scythians, but only that we would not be able to find them and then that we may suffer something as we wander around.

Herodotus Histories 4.97

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