

Subject/Verb Agreement

Your name: _____ Date _____ Score _____

Subject Verb Agreement Worksheet 1

In the following sentences, underline the verb and the subject that must agree with the verb.

Example: Either cake or cookies are fine for dessert.

1. Bob and Randy went to elementary school together.
2. Neither jogging nor swimming interests him.
3. Neither jogging nor racquet sports interest him.
4. Neither racquet sports nor jogging interests him.
5. The dog that had barked for hours was finally quiet.
6. The audience cheered the opening performance.
7. Economics is constantly faced by practical challenges.
8. Everyone is writing a take-home exam.
9. There are hungry children right here in our community.
10. The hunter as well as the hounds is following the bear.
11. The boss, together with the day shift, sent a card.
12. The team, including both pitchers, is outstanding.
13. No one who knows the children believes the story.
14. Each of us is responsible for a different task.
15. Few of the wealthy are coming tonight.

Subject / Verb Agreement Worksheet 2

Underline the correct verb in the parentheses.

1. Almost everybody (has / have) some difficulty with writing.
2. Neither the chipmunk nor the squirrels (is / are) bothering us.
3. Both of us (is / are) voting in the next election.
4. Milo, Phoebe, and I (was / were) offering our help.
5. Neither of you (jump / jumps) to conclusions.
6. Some say the Indians (has / have) been treated unfairly.
7. There (was / were) only two choices on the menu.
8. Rudy as well as his cat (like / likes) milk.
9. He (is / are) my boss and friend.
10. Sunbathing (is / are) my favorite form of exercise.
11. Neither of us (has / have) to pay the fine.
12. The twins and their parents (travel / travels) together.
13. Nobody (believe / believes) your alibi.
14. America and Russia (is / are) the most powerful nations.
15. "Safe" and "out" (is / are) two calls in baseball.
16. Neither of them (dance / dances) to disco music.
17. Each (serve / serves) a different purpose.
18. The hammer as well as the saw (make / makes) work easier.
19. Jacques (was / were) working for his uncle last year.
20. Our team (play / plays) hard every night.
21. Neither of the boys (has / have) to shave.

Subject / Verb Agreement Worksheet 3

Directions: Underline the correct verb form. If the subject is a noun rather than a pronoun, you may need to substitute the pronoun subject in order to see if you have chosen the correct verb, i. e. use “they” in place of a plural noun such as “people,” or a noun phrase such as “all of the children” and “he,” “she,” or “it” in place of a singular noun. EXAMPLES: The cow and the horse (eat, eats) hay every night. “They” eat hay every night. John (do, does) his homework after school. “He” does his homework after school.

1. The world (change, changes) so rapidly that we can hardly keep up.
2. People (is, are) often ten or twenty years behind the times in their knowledge of the world.
3. People who (live, lives) in poverty often do not even have television or newspapers.
4. He (doesn't, don't) want to be killed during the war.
5. Life (is, are) very complicated.
6. Traditionally, college students (has, have) been very active in politics.
7. There (is, are) both men and women at the meeting.
8. The students in my class (has, have) very poor work habits.
9. Each of you (has, have) an equal chance to make good grades.
10. All of the children (was, were) hunting Easter eggs in the garden.
11. A notebook and a pen (is, are) lying on the desk in the library.
12. My son, along with two friends, (is, are) coming for the weekend.
13. Sitting on the sofa (was, were) two students from Thailand.
14. Either the workers or the manager (is, are) coming to the conference.
15. Not only the students, but also the teacher (has, have) been unhappy.
16. Everybody (hate, hates) to take tests.
17. Knowledge gained after long study (disappear, disappears) rapidly from our minds.
18. One of my greatest worries in college (was, were) that I would study hard and still flunk important tests.
19. Georgia Southern University (provide, provides) some scholarships for the students.
20. The news about Afghanistan (is, are) shocking, isn't it?