

English Grammar – 8

Chapter 17 - Worksheet: Subject-Verb Agreement

Section 1: Fill in the Blanks

1. A verb must agree with its _____ in number and person.
2. Singular subjects take _____ verbs.
3. Plural subjects take _____ verbs.
4. Words like everyone, each, and somebody are treated as _____ subjects.
5. When two subjects are joined by 'and', the verb is usually _____.

Section 2: MCQs

1. “Rina _____ playing.”

- a) is
- b) are
- c) were
- d) be

2. “Everyone _____ present today.”

- a) are
- b) were
- c) is

d) be

3. "The boys _____ running fast."

a) is

b) was

c) are

d) has

4. "Either Ravi or Rohan _____ guilty."

a) are

b) is

c) were

d) be

5. "The teacher and the student _____ in the room."

a) is

b) are

c) was

d) be

Section 3: True / False

1. Singular subjects take singular verbs. _____
2. Collective nouns always take plural verbs. _____
3. "Each of the players are ready" is correct. _____
4. When two subjects are joined by 'or', the verb agrees with the nearer subject. _____
5. "The list of items is long" is correct. _____

Section 4: Define / Explain

1. Define subject-verb agreement.
2. Explain how verbs change with singular and plural subjects.
3. Explain the rule for subjects joined by 'or'/'nor'.
4. Give examples of singular and plural subjects with correct verbs.

Section 5: Rewrite / Transform Sentences

1. Correct the subject-verb agreement errors:

- a) She go to school every day.
- b) The players is tired.
- c) Neither of them are guilty.

2. Choose correct verb forms:

- a) The bouquet of flowers (is/are) beautiful.
- b) Each student (has/have) a notebook.

c) My family (live/lives) in Delhi.

3. Rewrite using plural subjects:

a) The boy is playing.

b) She writes a letter.

Section 6: Application-Based Exercises

1. Fill in the blanks:

a) One of the boys _____ missing. (is/are)

b) The news _____ shocking. (is/are)

c) Ten kilometers _____ a long distance. (is/are)

2. Identify whether the verb agrees with the subject:

a) The crowd were cheering.

b) She doesn't like apples.

c) Mathematics is my favorite subject.

3. Make sentences using:

a) a singular subject with a singular verb

b) a plural subject with a plural verb

c) a collective noun with a suitable verb

4. Write a short paragraph (4–5 lines) using at least six subject-verb agreement rules.