Subject-Verb Agreement Worksheet

Making the verb match the person or thing doing it.



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Third-person -s and is/are by about 4

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English verbs change shape depending on who is doing them. One dog barks; two dogs bark. I am, you are, he is. This shows up in four main places: the third-person -s ending ("she runs"), the be verbs (am, is, are, was, were), the have verbs (has, have), and the do verbs (does, do).

What to expect: Third-person -s is one of the later grammatical endings to arrive and one of the first to disappear when a child is tired or working hard on something else. Errors like "he run" and "they was" are typical up to about 4;6. Because these forms are unstressed and quick, they are also frequently affected by hearing loss or fluctuating ear infections - worth ruling out.

Adding -s to the Verb

Fill in the blank with the correct form of the verb.

1. The dog ____ at the mailman. (bark) 
2. The dogs ____ at the mailman. (bark) 
3. My sister ____ to school. (walk) 
4. My sisters ____ to school. (walk) 
5. The bird ____ in the tree. (sing) 
6. The birds ____ in the tree. (sing) 

7. He ____ his lunch every day. (eat) 

8. They ____ lunch every day. (eat) 

9. The baby ____ when she is hungry. (cry) 

10. The babies ____ when they are hungry. (cry) 

11. A cat ____ on the fence. (jump) 

12. Two cats ____ on the fence. (jump) 

Adding -s to the Verb: Round 2

One person or thing takes -s. More than one takes no -s. Fill in the blank.

13. The bird ____ in the tree. (sing) 

14. The birds ____ in the tree. (sing) 

15. My sister ____ to school. (walk) 

16. My sisters ____ to school. (walk) 

17. The horse ____ over the fence. (jump) 

18. The horses ____ over the fence. (jump) 

19. The baby ____ for her bottle. (cry) 

20 The babies ____ for their bottles. (cry)



21 The cat ____ on the rug. (sleep)



22 The cats ____ on the rug. (sleep)



23 The duck ____ in the pond. (swim)



24 The ducks ____ in the pond. (swim)



Adding -s to the Verb: Round 3

One person or thing takes -s. More than one takes no -s. Fill in the blank.

25 The puppy ____ my shoe. (chew)



26 The puppies ____ my shoes. (chew)



27 My brother ____ the drum. (play)



28 My brothers ____ the drum. (play)



29 The teacher ____ a story. (read)



30 The teachers ____ a story. (read)



31 The rabbit ____ a carrot. (eat)



32 The rabbits ____ a carrot. (eat)



33 The bee ____ to the flower. (fly)



34 The bees ____ to the flower. (fly)



35 The farmer ____ the cows. (feed)



36 The farmers ____ the cows. (feed)



Adding -s to the Verb: Round 4

One person or thing takes -s. More than one takes no -s. Fill in the blank.

37 The kitten ____ the string. (catch)



38 The kittens ____ the string. (catch)



39 Grandma ____ a cake. (bake)



40 My grandparents ____ a cake. (bake)



41 The doctor ____ my ears. (check)



42 The doctors ____ my ears. (check)



43 The frog ____ on a rock. (sit)



44 The frogs ____ on a rock. (sit)



45 My friend ____ the ball. (kick)



46 My friends ____ the ball. (kick)



47 The train ____ at the station. (stop)



48 The trains ____ at the station. (stop)



Is or Are? Was or Were?

Choose the be verb that matches the subject.

49 The cookie ____ warm.



50 The cookies ____ warm.



51 My friend ____ at the door.



52 My friends ____ at the door.



53 I ____ ready to go, with my backpack by the door.



54 You ____ my best friend.



55 Yesterday the park ____ crowded.



56 Yesterday the pool and the slides ____ crowded.



57 The puppy ____ sleeping this morning.



58 The puppies ____ sleeping this morning.



59 She ____ happy about the surprise.



60 We ____ happy about the surprise.



Is or Are? Was or Were?: Round 2

Fill in the blank with is, are, was or were.

61 The apple ____ red.



62 The apples ____ red.



63 My shoes ____ wet.



64 The dog ____ hungry.



65 The children ____ at the park.



66 The milk ____ cold.



67 Yesterday the sky ____ gray.



68 Yesterday the clouds ____ gray.



69 The baby ____ asleep.



70 The babies ____ asleep.



71 The flowers ____ pretty.



72 My sock ____ missing.



Is or Are? Was or Were?: Round 3

Fill in the blank with is, are, was or were.

73 The cat ____ on the bed.



74 The cats ____ on the bed.



75 My hands ____ cold.



76 The soup ____ hot.



77 The books ____ on the shelf.



78 That bird ____ loud.



79 Last night it ____ raining.



80 Last night the stars ____ out.



81 The bus ____ late.



82 The buses ____ late.



83 My brother ____ tall.



84 Those boxes ____ heavy.



Has or Have? Does or Do?

Choose the verb that matches the subject.

85 She ____ a new bike. 

86 They ____ new bikes and new helmets. 

87 The school ____ a big playground. 

88 The schools ____ big playgrounds. 

89 I ____ two brothers. 

90 He ____ one sister. 

91 ____ the dog want a treat? 

92 ____ the dogs want treats? 

93 ____ you like ice cream? 

94 ____ she like ice cream? 

95 The store ____ not open on Sunday. 

96 The stores ____ not open on Sunday. 

Has or Have? Does or Do?: Round 2

Fill in the blank with has, have, does or do.

97 He ____ a new bike. 

98 They ____ new bikes. 

99 The dog ____ a bone. 

100 The dogs ____ bones. 

101 ____ she want a drum? 

102 ____ they want drums? 

103 I ____ two apples. 

104 My sister ____ two apples. 

105 ____ the baby need a nap? 

106 ____ the babies need a nap? 

107 The tree ____ green leaves. 

108 The trees ____ green leaves. 

Has or Have? Does or Do?: Round 3

Fill in the blank with has, have, does or do.

109 The cat ____ soft fur. 

110 The cats ____ soft fur.



111 ____ he like carrots?



112 ____ you like carrots?



113 We ____ a new puppy.



114 Grandma ____ a new puppy.



115 ____ the bus stop here?



116 ____ the buses stop here?



117 My friend ____ a red hat.



118 My friends ____ red hats.



119 ____ it rain a lot here?



120 ____ they play outside?



Answer Key

Adding -s to the Verb

1. barks
2. bark
3. walks
4. walk
5. sings
6. sing
7. eats
8. eat
9. cries
10. cry
11. jumps
12. jump

Adding -s to the Verb: Round 2

13. sings
14. sing
15. walks
16. walk
17. jumps
18. jump
19. cries
20. cry
21. sleeps
22. sleep
23. swims
24. swim

Adding -s to the Verb: Round 3

25. chews
26. chew
27. plays
28. play
29. reads
30. read
31. eats
32. eat
33. flies
34. fly
35. feeds
36. feed

Adding -s to the Verb: Round 4

37. catches
38. catch
39. bakes
40. bake
41. checks
42. check
43. sits
44. sit
45. kicks
46. kick
47. stops
48. stop

Is or Are? Was or Were?

49. is
50. are
51. is
52. are
53. am
54. are
55. was
56. were
57. was
58. were

59. was
60. were

Is or Are? Was or Were?: Round 2

61. is
62. are
63. are
64. is
65. are
66. is
67. was
68. were
69. is
70. are
71. are
72. is

Is or Are? Was or Were?: Round 3

73. is
74. are
75. are
76. is
77. are
78. is
79. was
80. were
81. is
82. are
83. is
84. are

Has or Have? Does or Do?

85. has
86. have
87. has
88. have
89. have
90. has
91. Does
92. Do
93. Do
94. Does
95. does
96. do

Has or Have? Does or Do?: Round 2

97. has
98. have
99. has
100. have
101. Does
102. Do
103. have
104. has
105. Does
106. Do
107. has
108. have

Has or Have? Does or Do?: Round 3

109. has
110. have
111. Does
112. Do
113. have
114. has
115. Does
116. Do
117. has
118. have

119. Does

120. Do