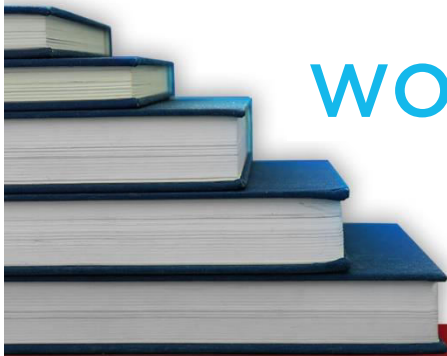


# ENGLISH



## WORKSHEET-1



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## Worksheet-1

SUBJECT VERB  
AGREEMENT

**DIRECTIONS:** Some segments of each sentence are underlined. Your task is to identify that underlined segment of the sentence which contains the mistake that needs to be corrected. Fill the circle corresponding to that letter under the segment in the MCQ Response form.

- Q.1** Everyone who plans to attend the senior retreat need to pack appropriate camping supplies.  
A B C D
- Q.2** A classic such as Cinderella, or other similar fairy tales, become distorted from its original, and sometimes less than positive, story when Disney rewrites the tale for public consumption.  
A B C D
- Q.3** Vast flows of information is carried on hair-thin fiber-optic cables.  
A B C D
- Q.4** Variations in melody, rhythm and tone of voice becomes a major feature of child speech toward the end of the first year.  
A B C D
- Q.5** Although the candidates accused each other of encouraging voter fraud, most polls show that a majority of voters believes the election was fair.  
A B C D
- Q.6** There is a number of solutions to the problem of global warming that have not been considered by this committee.  
A B C D
- Q.7** In a co-publication agreement, ownership of both the material and its means of distribution are equally shared by the parties.  
A B C D
- Q.8** More important than winning is developing the Ability to work with others and developing leadership skills.  
A B C D
- Q.9** At the foundation of the anti-insurgency program, strongly endorsed by the tribal leaders, is plans to offer economic redevelopment to the general population if they oppose the insurgents.  
A B C D
- Q.10** Light and shade, not color, is the principal components of a drawing in the technique called chiaroscuro.  
A B C D
- Q.11** Mueen claims that he wants to attend college after graduation, but his poor attitude about studying during senior year do not indicate that he enjoys being a student.  
A B C D

- Q.12** The paralegal believed that there were an  
A  
overload of cases in the office, which was  
B C D  
creating stress.
- Q.13** Ali is the only one of those children who  
A B  
wheedle you into giving her anything she  
C D  
wants.
- Q.14** The rate of unemployment among white-  
A  
collar workers show much less regional  
B C  
variation than corresponding rates among  
D  
blue-collar workers.
- Q.15** Imran said that \$2 million for the  
A  
purchase of textbooks are a lot of money  
B  
in the age of the computer.  
C D
- Q.16** Alena asked him whether the mayor or  
A  
the city councilors are responsible for  
B C  
introducing the budget.  
D
- Q.17** Here into the main ring of the circus  
A  
comes the trained elephants along with  
B C  
their trainer.  
D
- Q.18** Despite the residents' requests, the five  
A  
members of the Homeowner's Association  
Executive Board hasn't issued a warning  
B  
to those neighbors who have flouted the  
C D  
rules regarding lawn maintenance.
- Q.19** Some of the job applicants who have  
A  
passed in written test is expected to pass  
B C D  
the difficult screening test.
- Q.20** My favorite history professor, as well as  
some of their administrative staff, was  
A B  
asked to resign because fewer students  
were taking history courses than ever  
C D  
before.
- Q.21** A) Neither the men who are listed as  
administrators nor the woman who is  
also listed has been appointed to the  
board.  
B) Neither the men who are listed as  
administrators nor the woman who is  
also listed have been appointed to the  
board.  
C) Neither the men who are listed as  
administrators nor the women who is  
also listed has been appointed to the  
board.  
D) Neither the men who is listed as  
administrators nor has the woman  
who is also listed been appointed to  
the board.
- Q.22** A) The Prince and Pauper was my  
favorite book when I were a child.  
B) The Prince and The Pauper was my  
favorite books when I was a child.  
C) The Prince and The Pauper were my  
favorite book when I was a child.  
D) The Prince and The Pauper was my  
favorite book when I was a child.
- Q.23** A) Million of Americans watched the  
high-speed chase and most were  
mesmerized by the event.

- B) Millions of Americans watched the high-speed chase and most was mesmerized by the event.
- C) Millions of Americans watched the high-speed chase and most were mesmerized by the event.
- D) Millions of American watched the high-speed chase and most were mesmerized by the event.
- Q.24** A) Before the end of the semester, each of you needs to meet with your adviser or me to discuss your plans for next year.
- B) Before the end of the semester, each of you needs to meet with yours adviser or me to discuss your plans for next year.
- C) Before the end of the semester, each of you need to meet with your adviser or me to discuss your plans for next year.
- D) Before the end of the semester, each of you needs to meet with your adviser or I to discuss your plans for next year.
- Q.25** A) The city police have decided to take stern action against drivers which attempt to overtake on the left side in the city roads.
- B) The city police have decided to take stern action against drivers who attempt to overtake on the left side on the city roads.
- C) The city police has deciding to take stern action against drivers who attempt to overtake on the left side on the city roads.
- D) The city police have decided to taking stern action against drivers who attempt to overtake in the left side on the city roads.
- Q.26** A) Nine kilometers is not a long distance for a man who is an athlete.
- B) Nine kilometers is not a long distance for man who is an athlete.
- C) Nine kilometers is not a long distance for a man who are an athlete.
- D) Nine kilometers are not a long distance for a man who are a athlete.
- Q.27** A) A pair of gloves are lying in the bed.
- B) A pair of glove is lying on the bed.
- C) A pair of gloves is laying on the bed.
- D) A pair of gloves is lying on the bed.
- Q.28** A) Japan is the only one of those countries that consist of a group of islands called an archipelago; the biggest island is Honshu.
- B) Japan is one of those countries that consist of a group of islands called an archipelago; biggest island is Honshu.
- C) Japan is one of those countries that consist of a group of islands called an archipelago; the biggest island is Honshu.
- D) Japan is one of those countries that consists of a group of islands called an archipelago; the biggest island is Honshu.
- Q.29** A) I am worried as neither of my brothers has returned from the picnic.
- B) I am worried as neither of mine brothers has returned from the picnic.
- C) I am worried as neither of my brothers have returned from the picnic.

D) I am worried like neither of my brothers has returned from the picnic.

**Q.30** A) Because of its remarkable speed and grace, cheetahs have captivated humans for thousands of years.

B) Because of its remarkable speed and grace, cheetahs have captivated humans for thousands of year.

C) Because of their remarkable speed and grace, cheetahs have captivated humans for thousands of years.

D) Because of their remarkable speed and grace, cheetahs have captivated humans for thousand of years.

**Q.31** A) The police has not made any arrests lately.

B) The police have not made any arrests lately.

C) The police have not made some arrests lately.

D) The police have not made any arrests late.

**Q.32** A) Most of the news and information in the media originates for public relations sources.

B) Most of the new and information in the media originates from public relations sources.

C) Most of the news and information in the media originate from public relation sources.

D) Most of the news and information in the media originates from public relation sources.

**Q.33** A) Despite the need for educated workers, the United State has a low high school graduation rate.

B) Despite the need for educated workers, the United States have a low high school graduation rate.

C) Despite the need for educated workers, the United States has a low high school graduation rate.

D) Despite the need for educated workers, the United States has a lower high school graduation rate.

**Q.34** A) A pairs of supportive shoes are important if you are experiencing lower back pain.

B) A pair of supportive shoe is important if you are experiencing lower back pain.

C) A pair of supportive shoes is important if you are experiencing lower back pain.

D) A pair of supportive shoes are important if you are experiencing lower back pain.

**Q.35** A) While the young analyst is bothered by the fact that his friend is not very skilled behind the wheel, each of his other redeeming qualities compensates for his driving ability.

B) While the young analyst is bothered by the fact that his friend is not very

skilled behind the wheel, each of his other redeeming qualities compensate for his driving ability.

C) While the young analyst is bothered by the fact that his friend is not very skilled behind the wheel, each of his other redeeming qualities compensate for their driving ability.

D) While the young analyst is bothered by the fact that his friend is not very skill behind the wheel, each of his other redeeming qualities compensate for his driving ability.

**Q.36** A) Carefully crafted plots and a brilliantly developed main character are what makes the book so compelling.

B) Carefully crafted plots and a brilliantly developed main character is what make the book so compelling.

C) Carefully crafted plots and a brilliantly developed main character is what makes the book such compelling.

D) Carefully crafted plots or a brilliantly developed main character are what makes the book so compelling.

**Q.37** A) The politician and opposition leader is opposed to the new reforms being enacted by the government.

B) The politician and opposition leader are opposed to the new reforms being enacted by the government.

C) The politician and opposition leader are opposed to the news reforms being enacted by the government.

D) The politician and the opposition leader is opposed to the new reforms being enacted by the government.

**Q.38** A) Forty percent of the student body are at favor of changing the policy.

B) Forty percent of the students body is in favor of changing the policy.

C) Forty percent of the student body are in favor of changing the policy.

D) Forty percent of the student body is in favor of changing the policy.

**Q.39** A) Studies have shown that the majority of heart-related problems listed in pharmacology is caused by a combination of poor dietary practices and lack of exercise.

B) Studies have shown that the majority of heart-related problems listed in pharmacology are caused by a combination of poor dietary practices and lack of exercise.

C) Studies have shown that a majority of heart-related problems listed in pharmacology are caused to a combination of poor dietary practices and lack of exercise.

D) Studies have shown that the majority of heart-related problems listed in pharmacology are caused by a combination for poor dietary practices and lack of exercise.

**Q.40** A) The looting was a reminder of how appallingly people can behave when law and order breaks down.

B) The looting was a reminder of how appallingly people can behave when law and order break down.

- C) The looting were a reminder of how appallingly people can behave when law and order breaks down.
- D) The looting was a reminder of how appallingly people can behaves when law and order breaks down.

STEP ENTRY TEST 2020

ANSWER KEY (Worksheet-1)			
1	D	21	A
2	A	22	D
3	C	23	C
4	C	24	A
5	C	25	B
6	A	26	A
7	C	27	D
8	B	28	C
9	B	29	A
10	B	30	C
11	D	31	B
12	A	32	D
13	C	33	C
14	B	34	C
15	B	35	A
16	B	36	A
17	B	37	A
18	B	38	D
19	C	39	B
20	A	40	A

**ANSWERS EXPLAINED**

- Q.1 Correct Answer D: needs
- Q.2 Correct Answer A: becomes
- Q.3 Correct Answer C: are
- Q.4 Correct Answer C: become
- Q.5 Correct Answer C: believe
- Q.6 Correct Answer A: are
- Q.7 Correct Answer C: is
- Q.8 Correct Answer B: are
- Q.9 Correct Answer B: are
- Q.10 Correct Answer B: are
- Q.11 Correct Answer D: does
- Q.12 Correct Answer A: was
- Q.13 Correct Answer C: wheedles
- Q.14 Correct Answer B: shows
- Q.15 Correct Answer B: is

- Q.16 Correct Answer B: is
- Q.17 Correct Answer B: come
- Q.18 Correct Answer B: haven't
- Q.19 Correct Answer C: are
- Q.20 Correct Answer A: his
- Q.21 Correct Answer A: When the subjects joined by or, nor, either ..... or, neither ..... nor are of different persons, the verb agrees with the nearer.
- Q.22 Correct Answer D: The Prince and The Pauper is the title of a book; it is singular, thus requiring the singular form of verb, "was."
- Q.23 Correct Answer C: *Million*, like the words *hundred, thousand* and *billion*, has two possible plural endings. Sometimes we say *million*, sometimes *millions*.  
Without the plural ending -s
  - 1. We **don't** add 's' when we give an exact number:
    - *two million pounds*
    - *two thousand years*
    - *three hundred*
    - *four billion.*
  - 2. We **don't** add 's' when we use a quantifier like *several* or *a few*:
    - *several million years*
    - *a few thousand dollars*
    - *a few hundred.*
- With the plural ending -s  
Add 's' if you don't give an exact number:
  - *hundreds of people*
  - *thousands of years*
  - *millions of dollars.*
- Q.24 Correct Answer A: Verb agreement with indefinite pronouns:  
Indefinite pronouns are non-specific words like *someone, others, several* or *none*. Some of these pronouns are always singular or always plural. But some can change their number—they can be either



singular or plural, depending on the context.

It is important to know whether an indefinite pronoun subject is singular or plural so that we can make the verb agree.

**a) Singular indefinite pronouns**

Singular indefinite pronouns include the compounds of **-body, -one and -thing**, along with the words *one, another, each, either, neither* and *much*. A singular verb is used with these pronouns:

each	somebody	something	Someone
Every	everybody	everything	Everyone
neither	Any body	Anything	Anyone
either	Nobody	Nothing	No one
one			

- *Nobody likes* liver for supper.
- *Everyone sings* in the shower.
- *Something smells* funny.
- *One of the keys does* not fit the lock.
- *Each of the members has* the right to bring a guest.
- *Either is* fine with me.

**Q.25 Correct Answer B:** Police (plural noun) requires have. Drivers requires “who” instead of “which”.

**Q.26 Correct Answer A:** Nine kilometers (a singular time unit) requires singular verb “is”. Man (countable noun) requires article “a” and singular verb “is”.

**Q.27 Correct Answer D:** Lying is suitable as intransitive verb instead of laying. “On the bed” is suitable as compare to “in the bed”.

**Q.28 Correct Answer C:** (a) The only + One of the + PLURAL NOUN + THAT/WHO + SINGULAR VERB.

"He is one of the persons who bakes special cakes."

(b) One of the + PLURAL NOUN + that/who + PLURAL VERB  
"He is one of the persons who make money."

**Q.29 Correct Answer A:** Neither takes singular verb: Moreover “as” should be differentiated from “like”.

**Q.30 Correct Answer C:** Cheetahs are plural verb and will take “their”. Moreover, the correct structure is thousands of years.

**Q.31 Correct Answer B:** Police is plural that is why plural verb will be used.

**Q.32 Correct Answer D:** Indefinite pronouns (*all, any, some, most, none*.) may take a singular or plural verb: Example: - Singular: **Most** of the hospital remains open on weekends.

**Some** of this cake belongs to the nurses.

**Is any** of this medicine ready to be picked up?

**All** of the blood **is** donated by students.

-Plural: **Most** of the patients **complete** an information form.

**Some** of our doctors **work** the midnight shift.

**Any** of the diseases on this floor **are** contagious.

**All** of the rooms **are** clean.

**Q.33 Correct Answer C:** The United States is the name of country (singular subject) ..... singular verb .... Has

**Q.34 Correct Answer C:** A pair of (singular subject)..... is (singular verb)

**Q.35 Correct Answer A: When words like "each" are the subject**

When used as subjects, words such as

**each, either, neither another anyone, anybody, anything someone, somebody,**

**something one, everyone everybody,  
everything no one, nobody, nothing**

take singular verbs.

Each takes her turn at rowing.

Neither likes the friends of the other.

**Q.36 Correct Answer A:** Subjects joined by "and" take plural verbs.

**Q.37 Correct Answer A:** When two or more singular subjects are joined by and, they take a singular verb if they represent a single person.

The politician and opposition leader..... single person

**Q.38 Correct Answer D:** With fractions, percentages and indefinite quantifiers, the verb agrees with the preceding noun

Forty percent of the student body (singular)..... is

**Q.39 Correct Answer B:** Majority can be either singular or plural depending on the noun after of. If the noun after of is singular, use a singular verb. If it is plural, use a plural verb.

majority of heart-related **problems** ..... **are**

**Q.40 Q. 20 Correct Answer A:** Some nouns linked by and have become so strongly connected that they form a composite subject (or double subject), expressing one idea rather than two. In such cases, we usually choose singular verbs and pronouns.

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