

Match It Up

Make subjects and verbs agree.

3.L.GC.2.c "Use correct subject-verb agreement in a variety of sentences. (C)"

NAME _____

DATE _____

IT MATCHES

The subject and action word agree. One subject usually uses an action word ending in -s, and more than one subject usually uses an action word without -s.

Turtles crawl quietly.

FIX IT

The subject and action word do not agree. Change the action word so it fits the subject.

Lanterns shines brightly.

1 SORT

8 items

Part 1: Read each sentence and circle MATCH or FIX; Part 2: choose two item numbers and explain how the subject and action word do or do not match.

1. The puppy chases a ball.

MATCH

FIX

2. My friends walks home.

MATCH

FIX

3. The flowers blooms in spring.

MATCH

FIX

4. A bird sings in a tree.

MATCH

FIX

5. The teacher reads a story.

MATCH

FIX

6. The cars stop at the light.

MATCH

FIX

7. The children eats lunch.

MATCH

FIX

8. Our dog and cat plays outside.

MATCH

FIX

2 PROVE IT Explain your thinking

Pick two items from Part 1. For each one, tell how you knew where it belonged.

ITEM # _____ HOW I KNEW _____

ITEM # _____ HOW I KNEW _____

3 MAKE YOUR OWN One of each

Part 3: Write one new MATCH sentence and one new FIX sentence.

MATCH _____

FIX _____

CHALLENGE

Write one sentence with two subjects joined by and. Make the action word match.

PART 1 • SORT

#	ITEM	CATEGORY	WHY
1	The puppy chases a ball.	MATCH	Puppy is singular, so chases agrees.
2	My friends walks home.	FIX	Friends is plural, so it needs walk.
3	The flowers blooms in spring.	FIX	Flowers is plural, so it needs bloom.
4	A bird sings in a tree.	MATCH	Bird is singular, so sings agrees.
5	The teacher reads a story.	MATCH	Teacher is singular, so reads agrees.
6	The cars stop at the light.	MATCH	Cars is plural, so stop agrees.
7	The children eats lunch.	FIX	Children is plural, so it needs eat.
8	Our dog and cat plays outside.	FIX	Dog and cat means more than one, so it needs play.

PART 2 • PROVE IT

Accept any explanation that names the deciding feature from the rule box for the chosen item.

PART 3 • MAKE YOUR OWN (SAMPLE ANSWERS)

- **MATCH:** Bees buzz beside hives.
- **FIX:** Boats floats on water.

Challenge: Nora and Sam paint a mural.

Accept different student sentences when the subject and verb agreement is correct for MATCH or incorrect for FIX. In the challenge, two subjects joined by and usually need a plural verb.