# Pronoun Match-Up

Sort sentences by pronoun-verb agreement.

**4.L.GC.1.38** ""Grammar: Use indefinite pronouns, ensuring correct agreement. (Continue)"

NAME _____ DATE _____

**AGREEMENT MATCHES**

The indefinite pronoun and verb agree. A singular indefinite pronoun needs a singular verb.

Someone paints a mural.

**AGREEMENT DOES NOT MATCH**

The indefinite pronoun and verb do not agree. A singular indefinite pronoun cannot use a plural verb.

Nobody bake muffins.

## 1 SORT

8 items

Circle MATCHES or MISMATCH for each sentence, then choose two numbers and explain how each pronoun and verb do or do not agree.

1. Everyone in the class needs a pencil. MATCHES MISMATCH
2. Somebody finds the missing mitten. MATCHES MISMATCH
3. Each of the puppies chase a ball. MATCHES MISMATCH
4. Everything looks clean after lunch. MATCHES MISMATCH
5. Neither of the doors open easily. MATCHES MISMATCH
6. One of the players practice at home. MATCHES MISMATCH
7. No one remembers the answer. MATCHES MISMATCH
8. Each of the jars holds buttons. MATCHES MISMATCH

## 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

Write one new sentence for MATCHES and one new sentence for MISMATCH.

**MATCHES** _____

**MISMATCH** _____

**CHALLENGE**

Write a MISMATCH sentence, then rewrite it so the same indefinite pronoun and idea MATCH.

**ANSWER KEY**

# Pronoun Match-Up

**GRADE 4 · 4.L.GC.1.38**

## PART 1 · SORT

| # | ITEM | CATEGORY | WHY |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Everyone in the class needs a pencil. | **MATCHES** | Everyone is singular, and needs is a singular verb. |
| 2 | Somebody finds the missing mitten. | **MATCHES** | Somebody is singular, and finds is a singular verb. |
| 3 | Each of the puppies chase a ball. | **MISMATCH** | Each is singular, but chase is a plural verb. It should be chases. |
| 4 | Everything looks clean after lunch. | **MATCHES** | Everything is singular, and looks is a singular verb. |
| 5 | Neither of the doors open easily. | **MISMATCH** | Neither is singular, but open is a plural verb. It should be opens. |
| 6 | One of the players practice at home. | **MISMATCH** | One is singular, but practice is a plural verb. It should be practices. |
| 7 | No one remembers the answer. | **MATCHES** | No one is singular, and remembers is a singular verb. |
| 8 | Each of the jars holds buttons. | **MATCHES** | Each is singular, and holds is a singular verb. |

## 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)

- **MATCHES**: Someone owns a blue bicycle.
- **MISMATCH**: Everybody play outside.

**Challenge:** Everybody pack a lunch. Everybody packs a lunch.

For Part 2, students should name the indefinite pronoun and tell whether its verb is singular or plural. Accept original sentences in Part 3 and the challenge when the agreement category is correct.