Verb Match Check

Sort sentences by subject-verb agreement.

6.2.W.4 "Students will routinely and recursively edit for correct grammar, usage, and mechanics, using various resources."

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SUBJECT AND VERB AGREE

The verb fits the subject. A singular subject takes a singular verb, and a plural subject takes a plural verb.

A robin sings at dawn.

SUBJECT AND VERB DISAGREE

The verb does not fit the subject. To edit the sentence, change the verb so it matches the subject.

The lantern glow above the path.

1 SORT

8 items

For Part 1, circle AGREES or DISAGREES for each sentence; for Part 2, pick two numbered sentences and explain how the subject and verb helped you decide.

1.	The baskets of apples sit near the door.	AGREES DISAGREES
2.	My brother writes short stories.	AGREES DISAGREES
3.	The puppies chases a ball.	AGREES DISAGREES
4.	Each of the lockers has a number.	AGREES DISAGREES
5.	The students in the hallway talks softly.	AGREES DISAGREES
6.	Two musicians plays onstage.	AGREES DISAGREES
7.	The stack of papers belongs to Maya.	AGREES DISAGREES
8.	We collect smooth stones.	AGREES DISAGREES

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

For Part 3, write one new sentence in which the subject and verb agree and one in which they disagree.

AGREES _____

DISAGREES _____

CHALLENGE

Write a sentence with a subject-verb disagreement, rewrite it with the verb corrected, and explain what you changed.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · SORT

#	ITEM	CATEGORY	WHY
1	The baskets of apples sit near the door.	**AGREES**	The plural subject baskets agrees with sit.
2	My brother writes short stories.	**AGREES**	The singular subject brother agrees with writes.
3	The puppies chases a ball.	**DISAGREES**	The plural subject puppies needs chase.
4	Each of the lockers has a number.	**AGREES**	The singular subject Each agrees with has.
5	The students in the hallway talks softly.	**DISAGREES**	The plural subject students needs talk.
6	Two musicians plays onstage.	**DISAGREES**	The plural subject musicians needs play.
7	The stack of papers belongs to Maya.	**AGREES**	The singular subject stack agrees with belongs.
8	We collect smooth stones.	**AGREES**	The plural subject We agrees with collect.

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)

- **AGREES**: The clock ticks every hour.
- **DISAGREES**: My cousins visits on Sunday.

Challenge: The sailors rows across the lake. The sailors row across the lake. I changed rows to row because sailors is plural.

For Part 2, accept explanations that correctly identify each chosen sentence's subject and whether its verb matches. For Part 3, accept original sentences that clearly fit their categories.