

Verb Match Mission

Sort sentences by whether the subject and verb agree.

3.LU.1.E "Use subject-verb agreement in simple sentences."

NAME _____

DATE _____

CORRECT MATCH

The subject and verb agree. A singular subject pairs with a singular verb, and a plural subject pairs with a plural verb.

Each comet glows nightly.

NEEDS A FIX

The subject and verb do not agree. Change the verb so it matches the subject.

Several racers sprints swiftly.

1 SORT _____ 8 items

Circle the category for each sentence, then, for PROVE IT, choose two items, one from each category, and explain how the subject and verb helped you decide.

1. The puppy chases the ball.

CORRECT

NEEDS FIX

2. My friends walk to school.

CORRECT

NEEDS FIX

3. The birds sings at dawn.

CORRECT

NEEDS FIX

4. A tall tree grows here.

CORRECT

NEEDS FIX

5. The cookies tastes sweet.

CORRECT

NEEDS FIX

6. Our neighbor play chess.

CORRECT

NEEDS FIX

7. The babies cry loudly.

CORRECT

NEEDS FIX

8. The teacher and her class reads.

CORRECT

NEEDS 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

Write one new CORRECT sentence and one new NEEDS FIX sentence.

CORRECT _____

NEEDS FIX _____

CHALLENGE

Write a sentence with two subjects that needs a plural verb, and underline the verb.

PART 1 • SORT

#	ITEM	CATEGORY	WHY
1	The puppy chases the ball.	CORRECT	Singular subject puppy matches singular verb chases.
2	My friends walk to school.	CORRECT	Plural subject friends matches plural verb walk.
3	The birds sings at dawn.	NEEDS FIX	Plural subject birds needs sing, not sings.
4	A tall tree grows here.	CORRECT	Singular subject tree matches singular verb grows.
5	The cookies tastes sweet.	NEEDS FIX	Plural subject cookies needs taste, not tastes.
6	Our neighbor play chess.	NEEDS FIX	Singular subject neighbor needs plays, not play.
7	The babies cry loudly.	CORRECT	Plural subject babies matches plural verb cry.
8	The teacher and her class reads.	NEEDS FIX	The subjects joined by and need read, not reads.

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)

- **CORRECT:** The artist paints a picture.
- **NEEDS FIX:** The frogs hops over logs.

Challenge: Mia and her brother _ride_ bikes.

CORRECT: 1, 2, 4, 7. NEEDS FIX: 3, 5, 6, 8. Accept different Part 3 and challenge sentences when the subject and verb agreement is accurate.