Pronoun Match-Up

Sort sentences by noun-pronoun agreement.

4.LU.1.F "Use standard noun-pronoun agreement when speaking and writing."

NAME _____ DATE _____

MATCHES

The noun and pronoun both mean one or both mean more than one.

My cousins and I packed our lunches.

NEEDS A FIX

The noun and pronoun do not both mean one or both mean more than one.

Several hikers carried his water bottles.

1 SORT

8 items

For each sentence, circle its category, then choose two items and explain how the noun and pronoun do or do not match.

1. The puppies wagged their tails. MATCHES FIX
2. The turtle pulled itself into its shell. MATCHES FIX
3. The frogs rested on its rocks. MATCHES FIX
4. Luis said he would bring the paint. MATCHES FIX
5. The twins said she could lead. MATCHES FIX
6. The book lost their cover. MATCHES FIX
7. A raccoon washed themselves. MATCHES FIX
8. The dancers tied their shoes. MATCHES 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 MATCHES sentence and one new FIX sentence.

MATCHES _____

FIX _____

CHALLENGE

Choose one FIX sentence and rewrite it so the noun and pronoun match.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · SORT

#	ITEM	CATEGORY	WHY
1	The puppies wagged their tails.	**MATCHES**	Puppies and their are both plural.
2	The turtle pulled itself into its shell.	**MATCHES**	Turtle, itself, and its are singular.
3	The frogs rested on its rocks.	**FIX**	Frogs is plural, but its is singular.
4	Luis said he would bring the paint.	**MATCHES**	Luis and he are singular.
5	The twins said she could lead.	**FIX**	Twins is plural, but she is singular.
6	The book lost their cover.	**FIX**	Book is singular, but their is plural.
7	A raccoon washed themselves.	**FIX**	Raccoon is singular, but themselves is plural.
8	The dancers tied their shoes.	**MATCHES**	Dancers and their are both plural.

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**: The baker frosted his cake.
- **FIX**: The bicycles needed its wheels repaired.

Challenge: The book lost its cover.

Accept any explanation that names the deciding feature from the rule box for the chosen item. Accept different student examples when the noun and pronoun clearly agree or disagree in number. For the challenge, students may correctly revise either the noun or the pronoun.