

25.1 Subject and Verb Agreement (Number, Singular and Plural Subjects) • Practice 2

Exercise 1 Determining the Number of Nouns, Pronouns, and Verbs. Identify each item as *singular, plural, or both*.

EXAMPLE: speaks singular

1. car _____
2. lifeguards _____
3. tomatoes _____
4. woman _____
5. he _____
6. lizard _____
7. demonstrators _____
8. writes _____
9. soldiers _____
10. she _____
11. helps _____
12. is _____
13. was _____
14. was plotting _____
15. grow _____
16. seeks _____
17. loses _____
18. has been watching _____
19. choose _____
20. you _____

Exercise 2 Making Subjects Agree With Their Verbs. Write the verb from parentheses that agrees with the subject of each sentence.

EXAMPLE: He jogs two miles every day. (jog, jogs)

1. A tall tree _____ in our front yard. (stands, stand)
2. The ships _____ passing the island. (was, were)
3. It seems that the baby _____ an inch every day. (grows, grow)
4. Our blackboards _____ all scratched. (was, were)
5. Candles _____ quite expensive. (is, are)
6. Yesterday the newspaper _____ not delivered. (was, were)
7. His pictures _____ in the gallery. (belongs, belong)
8. Mr. Cody _____ reading poems in a dramatic voice. (was, were)
9. At sunrise the ships _____ from the harbor. (sails, sail)
10. At the quarry the noises _____ deafening. (is, are)