

→ Subject Verb Agreement

1. Anne and her brother are at school.

2. The dogs or the cats are outside.

3. George and Tamara don't want to see that movie.

4. Benito doesn't know the answer.

5. The man with all birds lives on my street.

6. The movie, including all the previews, takes about two hours to watch.

7. The players as well as the captain, want to win.

8. Are the news on at five or six?

9. Mathematics is John's favorite subject while Civics is Andrea's favorite subject.

10. Eight dollars is the price of a movie.

11. Are the tweezers in this drawer?

12. Your pants are at the cleaners.

* 13. There were fifteen candies in that bag, Now there is only one left.

- * 14. The committee debates the questions.
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16. The Prime minister, together with his wife, greets the press cordially.
- * 17. All of the CDs, even the scratched one are in this case.
18. He weighs nine stone.
19. That car cost me five thousand dollars.
20. I bought three dozen oranges.
21. Pakistan won by an innings.
- * 22. His means are small but he has no debt.
23. Vitamin not only destroy our property but also carry disease.
24. The roof of the house needs repair.
25. He has no respect for his parents.
26. Both countries have withdrawn their Forces.
27. Why are you always putting on airs.

28. We must all stand up for common advice.

29. The court has issued a summons.

30. The public are dispersing away from monotonous show.

31. Majority wins what the minority loses.

32. The government has fallen after the trust vote.

33. The government want to keep the plan to themselves.

34. Two deer were killed by poachers.

35. The army has besieged the city and is poised to launch further attacks.

36. The police have arrived.

37. The issue remained unresolved as the committee were divided on the subject.

38. The scissors were these but tailor would not use them as his spectacles were not on his nose.

39. Each of the candidates was
awarded a certificate.

40. Either of those dresses is suitable
for the party.

*41. Either the student or his parents
has to be present at function.

42. Every body / any body is able to answer

43. Neither of them is an expert of
the subject.

*44. The ones who are found guilty
must be punished.

45. You or she has to be blamed for
the accident.

46. They and I were present there last night.

*47. Jessica is absent, but some students
of her class are present.

48. No one knows what happens after
death.

⇒ Punctuation

1. Maureen's three sisters, Molly, Shannon and Patricia, are all spending the summer at their grandmother's beach.
2. For the centrepieces, the florist recommended the following flowers: daisies, tulips, daffodils and hyacinths.
3. Lily is an accomplished gymnast: she won three medals in her last competition.
4. Everyone was shocked when Max - a studious, extremely bright high school senior - decided that college was not for him.
5. The human mind is never stationary: it advances or it retrogrades.
6. The laws, of most countries today, are split into two kind: criminal law, and civil law.
7. The announcer called out the four winning numbers as follows: two, four, six, and twelve.

8. My favorite quotation was found
on a slip of paper in a hotel room,
"Friendship is like a baked potato. It
is best when it's kept warm."

9. Original - (They had played together
in infancy, they had worked together
in manhood, they were now tottering
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10. I want to wear the red shirt ; my favorite color is red.

11. Tannie easily got an A on the test ; she studies very hard.

12. The war is imminent ; the armies are ready

13. I gave you the spray bottles for one reason : to clean the windows.

14. You will need the following ingredients : milk, sugar, flour, and eggs.

15. My father ended the every conversation the same way : "Don't give up!"

16. I have invited the following people to my party : Kevin, Amy, and Kim.

17. There is only one way to make it to the top : hard work.

18. The soldier shouted the following before leaving to war : "we shall return victorious."

19. "Mary is trying hard in school,"
her father said.

20. "No," the taxi driver said curtly,

"I cannot get you to the airport
in 15 minutes."

21. "I believe," Jack remarked, "the
best time of year to visit Europe is
in the spring."

22. My French professor told me that my
accent is abominable.

23. She asked, "Is time a magazine you
read regularly?"

24. When did Roosevelt say, "We have
nothing to fear but fear itself"?

25. "Yesterday," Tom said, "this afternoon
'I'll bring back your book conflict in
the middle East'; however, he did not
return it."

*26. Can you believe, Dot asked me, "that
it has been almost five years since"

we have seen each other?"?

27. "Certainly," Mr. Martin said, "I shall explain the whole situation to him. I know that he will understand."

28. There is a slavery that no legislation can abolish: the slavery of caste.

29. All that I am, all that I hope to be, I owe to my angel mother.

30. "Take away the bauble!" said Cornwall, pointing to the mace which lay upon the table.

31. There is only one cure for the evils, which newly acquired freedom produces, and that cure is freedom.

32. History, it has been said, is the essence of innumerable biographies.

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The robber agreed on receiving the purse. The quaker at once held the pistol at the robber's head and said, "Now friend, my purse back or the weapon may go off." "Fire," said the robber, "there is no powder in the pistol!"

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