

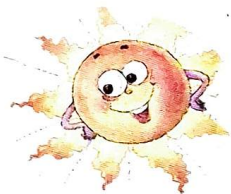
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Subject-Verb Agreement



THINK

Look at the pictures and tick (✓) the correct sentences.



The Sun is very big.

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The Sun are very big.

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I is a postman.

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I am a postman.

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We am good friends.

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We are good friends.

☒

It is seven o'clock.

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It am seven o'clock.

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You are a good player.

☒

You is a good player.

☐

What can you say about the sentences you have not ticked?

LEARN

Subject-Verb Agreement

The verb in a sentence must agree with its subject in number and person.
A **singular subject** always takes a **singular verb** and a **plural subject** always takes a **plural verb**.

Let us understand this with the forms of **have** and **be**.

subject	forms of have	forms of be	examples
singular nouns and pronouns	has, had	is, was	Raghav has a pet. She had a pet. Sanya is a doctor. It was Sunday yesterday.
plural nouns and pronouns	have, had	are, were	The boys have participated in the competition. They had performed well. The people are happy. They were happy.
with I	have, had	am, was	I have a red bag. I had a blue shirt. I am in Grade 4. I was sick yesterday.
with you	have, had	are, were	You have a pretty dress. You had my book. You are very kind. You were sick yesterday.

PRACTISE

A. Complete these sentences by choosing the correct options.

1. He ~~has~~/**have** a nice house near the sea.
2. These flowers ~~has~~/**have** a sweet fragrance.
3. I ~~has~~/**have** read many interesting books.
4. You ~~has~~/**have** a nice bicycle.
5. Our school ~~has~~/**have** a big library.
6. I ~~has~~/**have** no pocket money to spend.



B. Complete this passage using was or were.

The class was going to a beach. The students were very excited. The class monitor and the four captains were given the task of taking care of the students. Ashwin and Manvi were going to build sandcastles. Mayank was going to get them some shells to decorate the castles. A group of girls were planning to play volleyball.

C. Observe the picture and complete the sentences using is, am or are.



Hi, I am Sonali. I go to the park to play every evening. Let me introduce my friends.

My best friend Riya is going down the slide. She loves to play on the slide and laugh loudly. You can see my sister, Rupali. She is wearing a pink t-shirt. Rupali and her friends are making a sandcastle. They are trying to make a huge sandcastle. My little brother Manav is playing on the swing. I am riding a scooter. Neha is playing with a hula hoop behind me. Look at the boy behind Riya. He is playing on a car-shaped swing.

D. Correct the mistakes and rewrite the conversation.



Are
Is Gopa and Atul playing outside?

Is
Gopa ~~are~~ there, but Atul is not. Atul and his father ~~is~~ going to the mall.
are





^{Is}
Are Atul's mother going along with them?



^{she}
She is not feeling well. They wants to rest at home.



E. Rewrite these sentences correctly.

1. Gitanjali are a book of poems by Rabindranath Tagore.

Gitanjali is a book of poems written by Rabindranath Tagore.

2. Charles Dickens are a very famous author.

Charles Dickens is a very famous author.

3. The twins Neha and Rashmi is in the same class.

The twins Neha and Rashmi are in the same class.

4. Shreya are preparing for the dance competition.

Shreya is preparing for the dance competition.

5. He have bought two bananas to make banana shake.

He has bought two bananas to make banana shake.

6. I have a bad dream last night.

I had a bad dream last night.

7. Surabhi and her friends is learning to swim.

Surabhi and her friends are learning to swim.

PLAY

Work in pairs. Both learners in each pair have to say 3-4 sentences about their partners using the forms of the verbs **be** and **have**.



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A. Ar

B. S r

C.

D.