

Subject – Verb Agreement Drill

Name _____

Write the correct form of the verb on the line to the right. Circle subjects and put prepositional phrases in parentheses (and clauses in brackets).

1. The lights on the Christmas tree (create, creates) a festive atmosphere. _____
2. The distance between the two posts (are, is) eight feet. _____
3. Karen's brother, who has always enjoyed bicycle repair and maintenance, (work, works) at the bike shop on the weekends. _____
4. Every vote (has, have) been counted. _____
5. Stories about Hank Aaron always (makes, make) me want to play baseball. _____
6. Some of the equipment (has, have) been stored in the garage. _____
7. Nobody in these beginning painting classes (has, have) displayed work in the annual art show. _____
8. Both children (love, loves) playing in the park. _____
9. Many of Mrs. Taniguchi's students (speak, speaks) fluent Japanese. _____
10. Most of the food here (tastes, taste) delicious. _____
11. Few of my classmates (know, knows) about the surprise. _____
12. Either of the answers (is, are) correct. _____
13. Someone in the stands (has, have) been waving at us. _____
14. The conductor, as well as the musicians, (wear, wears) formal wear at every performance. _____
15. Everyone (was, were) invited to the celebration. _____
16. Most of the garden (is, are) visible on clear days. _____
17. None of those rosebushes in my mother's garden ever (bloom, blooms) in February. _____
18. Each of the marchers (was, were) carrying a sign protesting apartheid. _____
19. That collection of poems (is, are) *Where the Sidewalk Ends*. _____
20. The cucumbers in my garden (grows, grow) very quickly. _____
21. Chicken and dumplings (is, are) a favorite Southern dish. _____
22. The mechanic and shop owner (is, are) preparing his estimate. _____
23. Neither the manager nor the employees (wants, want) to close the store early. _____
24. (Is, Are) one of the dogs sick? _____

25. Neither the horses nor the dog (wants, want) to go into the barn. _____
26. According to this map, (there's, there are) seven countries in Central America. _____
27. He (doesn't, don't) know the shortest route from Dallas to Peoria. _____
28. The science class (is, are) working on their astronomy projects. _____
29. Here (is, are) the vegetables for the stir-fry. _____
30. The family (has, have) moved to Little Rock, Arkansas. _____
31. Two years in particular (was, were) difficult for the family. _____
32. Ten feet of yarn (is, are) needed for this art project. _____
33. The evening news (begins, begin) at 6:00. _____
34. The pliers (belongs, belong) in the toolbox. _____
35. *The Souls of Black Folk* (has, have) often been cited as a classic of African American literature. _____
36. The best time to visit (is, are) weekday mornings. _____
37. Cedar Rapids (is, are) a manufacturing center in the Midwest. _____
38. Eight dollars (is, are) too much for that card. _____
39. The softball team usually (practices, practice) every Saturday morning. _____
40. The Bill of Rights (gives, give) the American citizens the right to worship where they please. _____