Subject and Verb Agreement Exercise [PART I]

Directions: Identify the subject and verb of each sentence. Then choose the sentence with proper agreement.

1. A) At the end of the story, they was living happily ever after. B) At the end of the story, they were living happily ever after. 2. A) Al and Eli go to the beach to surf with their friends. B) Al and Eli goes to the beach to surf with their friends. 3. A) When Al and Eli arrive, they find that their friends has waxed their boards. B) When Al and Eli arrive, they find that their friends have waxed their boards. 4. A) The group of children from that school has never seen the ocean. B) The group of children from that school have never seen the ocean. 5. A) If our staff members doesn't quit picking at each other, we will not meet our goals. If our staff members don't quit picking at each other, we will not meet our goals. B) 6. A) Either Gary or I am responsible for allocating the funds. Either Gary or I are responsible for allocating the funds. B) 7. A) Neither she nor they were willing to predict the election results. B) Neither she nor they was willing to predict the election results. 8. A) Nora is one of the candidates who are worthy of my vote. B) Nora is one of the candidates who is worthy of my vote. 9. A) Nora, of all the candidates who are running, is the best. B) Nora, of all the candidates who is running, is the best. 10. A) My problem, which is minor in comparison with others, exists because I dropped out of high school. My problem, which is minor in comparison with others, exist because I dropped out of high school. B) 11. A) His dogs, which is kept outside, bark all day long. B) His dogs, which are kept outside, bark all day long.

Subject and Verb Agreement Exercise [PART II]

Directions: Choose the correct form of the verb that agrees with the subject.

- 1. Annie and her brothers (is, are) at school.
- 2. Either my mother or my father (is, are) coming to the meeting.
- 3. The dog or the cats (is, are) outside.
- 4. Either my shoes or your coat (is, are) always on the floor.
- 5. George and Tamara (doesn't, don't) want to see that movie.
- 6. Benito (doesn't, don't) know the answer.
- 7. One of my sisters (is, are) going on a trip to France.
- 8. The man with all the birds (live, lives) on my street.
- 9. The movie, including all the previews, (take, takes) about two hours to watch.
- 10. The players, as well as the captain, (want, wants) to win.
- 11. Either answer (is, are) acceptable.
- 12. Every one of those books (is, are) fiction.
- 13. Nobody (know, knows) the trouble I've seen.
- 14. (Is, Are) the news on at five or six?
- 15. Mathematics (is, are) John's favorite subject, while Civics (is, are) Andrea's favorite subject.
- 16. Eight dollars (is, are) the price of a movie these days.
- 17. (Is, Are) the tweezers in this drawer?
- 18. Your pants (is, are) at the cleaner's.
- 19. There (was, were) fifteen candies in that bag. Now there (is, are) only one left!
- 20. The committee (debates, debate) these questions carefully.
- 21. The committee (leads, lead) very different lives in private.
- 22. The Prime Minister, together with his wife, (greets, greet) the press cordially.
- 23. All of the CDs, even the scratched one, (is, are) in this case.