

# Language Coach: Subject/Verb Agreement

**Reinforcement  
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A **verb** must agree with its subject in number. The number of a word can be either *singular* or *plural*. A singular word indicates one. A plural word indicates more than one.

<u>Singular Subject</u>	<u>Singular Verb</u>	<u>Plural Subject</u>	<u>Plural Verb</u>
baby	crawls	babies	crawl
monkey	swings	monkeys	swing

Complete the chart using the correct form of subject and verb. The first one is done for you.

	<b>Singular Subject</b>	<b>Singular Verb</b>	<b>Plural Subject</b>	<b>Plural Verb</b>
1.	dog	<i>barks</i>	<i>dogs</i>	bark
2.		listens	teachers	
3.	student			write
4.	basketball player	jumps		
5.			girls	step
6.		plays	children	
7.	librarian			whisper
8.		grows	trees	

Fill in the chart. Write the correct present-tense form of each verb. The first one is done for you.

- | <u>Singular</u>                     | <u>Plural</u>                      |
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| 9. The swan glides gracefully.      | The swans <u>glide</u> gracefully. |
| 10. The building _____.             | The buildings collapse.            |
| 11. I _____ in marathons.           | They run in marathons.             |
| 12. Mr. Wilson works in the garden. | The Wilsons _____ in the garden.   |
| 13. He _____ lettuce.               | They plant lettuce.                |
| 14. Then, he sows the seeds.        | They _____ the seeds.              |
| 15. The dog _____ over there.       | The dogs live over there.          |
| 16. He wants to join the band.      | They _____ to join the band.       |
| 17. Jerry plays the trumpet.        | Jerry and I _____ the trumpet.     |
| 18. The blackboard _____ scratched. | The blackboards were scratched.    |