Subject/Verb Agreement

Warriner's Exercise 4, 5, 6

Exercise 4 DIRECTIONS: Write the correct form (don't or doesn't) for the following sentences.

- 1. That _____ mean a thing.
- 2. The mayor _____ approve.
- 3. They ______ want to come.
- 4. She ______ live here.
- 5. It ______ matter.
- 6. Frank ______ believe me.
- 7. He ______ agree with me.
- 8. It ______ seem fair.
- 9. She _____ understand you.
- 10. You ______ need to hurry.
- 11. The job really _____ have to be done today.
- 12. That picture _____ look like him.
- 13. She _____ read many books.
- 14. Your arguments ______ impress me very much.
- 15. He ______ work very hard.

Exercise 5 DIRECTIONS: Read each of the following sentences carefully. If a sentence is correct (verb agrees with subject) write the word **CORRECT** in the space provided; if the sentence is incorrect, write **WRONG**.

- 16. _____ Each of the students are responsible for one lesson.
- 17. _____ She don't obey her parents.
- 18. _____ Neither of the stories were good enough to publish.
- 19. _____ Every one of the stations was out of gasoline.
- 20. _____ Some of the crops have been ruined by frost.
- 21. _____ The height of the office buildings are unusually great.
- 22. _____ One of the club members has not yet voted.
- 23. _____ Don't he look like George?

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- 24. _____ The principal, as well as the school board and the faculty, was enthusiastic.
- 25. _____ All of the coal mines has been closed.
- 26. _____ Don't it bother you?
- 27. _____ Some of the criminal's motives were apparent.
- 28. _____ The result of so many attempts was disappointing.
- 29. _____ One of the secret Army planes are missing.
- 30. _____ She don't usually arrive until nine o'clock.
- 31. _____ Each of the salesmen have a definite territory to cover.
- 32. _____ Fear of open spaces is known as agoraphobia.
- 33. _____ The ocean, as well as the gulf and the bay, provides good fishing.
- 34. _____ It don't look far on the map.
- 35. _____ Neither of his paternal grandparents are living.
- 36. _____ Several of our best news sources have been cut off.
- 37. _____ The boys in ROTC goes to camp in July.
- 38. _____ Few members of the party approve the chairman's appointments.
- 39. _____ A sophomore, as well as a freshman, is allowed to take public speaking.
- 40. _____ The vessel, with its entire crew and cargo, were lost.

Exercise 6 DIRECTIONS: Read each of the following sentences carefully. **Circle** the correct verb form between the two that are given in parentheses.

- 41. (Where's, Where are) the maps you were using?
- 42. One of the islands (appear, appears) to be inhabited.
- 43. The extent of his injuries (has, have) not been determined.
- 44. Neither the milk nor the groceries (has, have) been delivered.
- 45. (Was, were) there any letters for me?
- 46. Either Pete or his father (is, are) going to pick us up.
- 47. Both the funds approximated by the legislature and the income from the sales tax (were, has) exhausted.
- 48. Each of the stowaways (have, has) been questioned by the immigration officials.
- 49. One of our best suggestions (was, were) spurned by the council.
- 50. Not one of these cases (have, has) ever been solved.