

I'm not robot!



## Focus

You don't use **a** or **an** before plural nouns. You use **a** or **an** before a singular noun when you mention it for the first time. When you refer to it again in the same context, you use the definite article **the** whether it is singular or plural.

*We met **a** boy there.  
The boy carried **a** bag.  
He had apples in **the** bag.  
He gave **the** apples to a beggar.  
The beggar thanked **the** boy.*

## Practice

**C** Put **a**, **an** or **the** in the blanks.

1. He showed me \_\_\_ egg. He said it was \_\_\_ egg of \_\_\_ eagle.
2. We ordered \_\_\_ omelette, \_\_\_ sandwich and \_\_\_ ice cream. We liked \_\_\_ sandwich as well as \_\_\_ ice cream, but \_\_\_ omelette was not good.
3. \_\_\_ old lady came to visit us. \_\_\_ old lady gave me oranges to eat. I liked \_\_\_ oranges very much.
4. She asked us to draw \_\_\_ picture each. She liked \_\_\_ picture Luna drew best.
5. I saw \_\_\_ one-eyed man and \_\_\_ blind woman. \_\_\_ one-eyed man was helping \_\_\_ blind woman cross the busy street.

## AGREEMENT OF SUBJECT AND PREDICATE

Test 1  
Choose the correct item.

1. Strawberries and cream \_\_\_  
my favourite dessert.

2. Marie or her sister \_\_\_ to  
bring my books tomorrow morning.

3. Neither you nor he \_\_\_ the right to say such things.

4. Either the suspect or the witnesses \_\_\_

5. Look! \_\_\_ two magazines and a book on the table.

6. We found out that all players, as well as the coach, \_\_\_ down with the flu.

7. A list of foreign words, including foreign proper names, \_\_\_ at the end of the book.

8. Her family \_\_\_ with each other.

9. The latest news \_\_\_ not very encouraging.

10. Everything \_\_\_ its price.

11. Each of them \_\_\_ ready to do it.

12. Anything \_\_\_ possible in this situation.

13. Part of the house \_\_\_ to her brother.

14. One never \_\_\_ what can happen tomorrow.

15. Many of them \_\_\_ their help.

16. Most of them \_\_\_ writers.

17. Some of these facts \_\_\_

18. \_\_\_ a lot of snow on the roof.

19. When we came to the park \_\_\_ a lot of people there

20. Nothing \_\_\_ after his arrival.

21. \_\_\_ the right to say such things.

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## Subject-verb agreement

1. A singular subject takes a singular verb (The cat is asleep).

2. A plural subject takes a plural verb (They are asleep).

3. A compound subject connected by *and* takes a plural verb (John and his dog are asleep).

4. A compound subject connected by *or* takes a plural verb (John or his dog is asleep).

5. A singular subject preceded by *each* takes a singular verb (Each of the boys is asleep).

6. A singular subject preceded by *neither* or *either* takes a singular verb (Neither John nor his dog is asleep).

7. A singular subject preceded by *one of* takes a singular verb (One of the boys is asleep).

8. A singular subject preceded by *most of* takes a singular verb (Most of the boys is asleep).

9. A singular subject preceded by *some of* takes a singular verb (Some of the boys is asleep).

10. A singular subject preceded by *any of* takes a singular verb (Any of the boys is asleep).

11. A singular subject preceded by *all of* takes a singular verb (All of the boys is asleep).

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Identify the underlined verb in each sentence as "linking" or "action".

1. My father looks at the newspaper every morning.

Linking  Action

2. Mrs. Taylor felt the different fabrics before she decided which one to buy.

Linking  Action

3. Tomorrow will be Wednesday.

Linking  Action

4. That soup smells delicious!

Linking  Action

5. The grass grows very fast during the summer because of the rain.

Linking  Action

6. Can you prove that Lauren was the one who planned the surprise party?

Linking  Action

7. Joseph looks tired today.

Linking  Action

8. I always feel happy when I am at the zoo.

Linking  Action

9. Please remain in your seat until the train has come to a complete stop.

Linking  Action

10. The boy cried when he fell down in the park.

Linking  Action

