

Subject – Verb Agreement

Exercise 1

Read the paragraph below and identify the subjects and the verbs. Write the subjects and the verbs in the table provided at the end of the paragraph. The first one has been done for you.

Scientists learn about the earth's interior by studying volcanoes. Volcanoes are found in many parts of the world. Sometimes, deep cracks form from the earth's core to its crust. Due to various geological factors, a volcano erupts. Then, gases and hot molten rock called lava spew out of the earth. Some volcanoes throw gases and ashes high into the air. In some other cases, the lava flows quietly through the cracks onto the earth's surface.

Scientists study ashes, lava and the gases that come out during a volcanic eruption. They wear specially designed suits to protect their bodies from the intense heat and fire.

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SUBJECT		VERB
1.	Scientists	learn
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Exercise 2

Underline the correct verb.

1. One of these shirts (is, are) lighter than the other.
2. Mariam, as well as the Juliana, (is, are) coming along.
3. A colour of many hues (is, are) the most interesting.
4. The sound of the waterfall always (please, pleases) me.
5. The places which (has, have) picturesque views are always visited by people.
6. The old woman who (speak, speaks) fluent Portuguese is my grandmother.
7. The football captain, as well as his crew, (is, are) now in the field.
8. Cycling (is, are) a popular activity in my campus.
9. Ten kilometres (is, are) really a long walk.
10. The number of domestic abuse (is, are) growing year to year.
11. Neither the director nor his deputies (is, are) available at the moment.