

Grammar Note

Let's learn and practice



Every sentence has a subject and verb. The verb usually tells what the subject is or does.



- A. The indefinite pronouns ***anyone, everyone, someone, somebody, no one, nobody*** are always ***singular subjects***. Therefore, they require ***singular verbs***.

Examples : Everyone has to be present in the meeting.

Somebody has taken her diary.

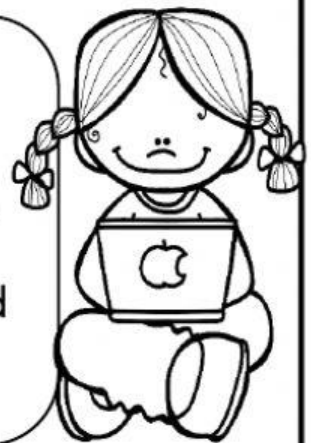
Nobody is allowed to leave the hall.

- B. **Collective nouns** take a **singular verb**, such a group, a team, a committee, a class, and a family.

Examples : **The team practises** hard before their final match.

The committee decides to go ahead with the plan.

The family has a lot of pets.



Exercise 1 : Identify the error in each sentence. Write the correct answer.

Sentence	Correction
They likes to eat at fast food restaurants once in a while.	
These restaurants sells food like hamburgers, sausages, pizzas, and chips.	
Everybody know Encik Hakimi.	
Many people is at the park. They is jogging.	
I has two sons and a daughter.	
The family have a lot of vehicles.	

Exercise 2 : Complete the paragraph with the correct form of verb.

Many families like to eat out due to their busy lifestyle. There _____
(be) still a lot of people who _____ (prepare) food at home. One
of them _____ (be) Encik Hakimi. He _____ (prepare) his own
breakfast before he _____ (go) to work. He strongly _____
(believe) that home-made food _____ (help) him to stay healthy and
fit. Everyone in the staff room _____ (agree) with him.

