

**Directions:** Below is an exercise based on the contents of the article, "The Maranao Tribe from Lake Lanao." Specify the verb, which will agree with its subject in each sentence.

The Maranao, together with the Illanun and Maguindanao \_\_\_ 1. **(is, are)** an indigenous Muslim group in Mindanao in south-western Philippines. Their culture and identity \_\_\_ 2. **(reflects, reflect)** general features of Southeast Asian tribes. Each of these, however, \_\_\_ 3. **(has, have)** developed unique traditions.

Every historian or anthropologist who \_\_\_ 4. **(studies, study)** Mindanao tribes \_\_\_ 5. **(has, have)** given common observations about the Maranao. Almost all Maranaos \_\_\_ 6. **(is, are)** Muslims, but some who live in the hills around Lake Lanao \_\_\_ 7. **(follows, follow)** a version of Islam reflecting pre-Islamic beliefs and practices. Many scholars \_\_\_ 8. **(emphasizes, emphasize)** that the Maranao, who \_\_\_ 9. **(is, are)** the first inhabitants of the shores of Lake Lanao, still \_\_\_ 10. **(inhabits, inhabit)** this region.

The name Maranao \_\_\_ 11. **(means, mean)** "People of the Lake" or "Lake Dwellers." Both \_\_\_ 12. **(refers, refer)** to the natives who settled around Lake Lanao. Neither photographers or a writer \_\_\_ 13. **(was, were)** ever able to capture in images or words the beauty of this lake. Lake Lanao, with the Maranaos living around it \_\_\_ 14. **(continues, continue)** to be an attraction and source of inspiration. More importantly, the spirit of the Maranaos \_\_\_ 15. **(thrives, thrive)** because of its existence.