Subject-Verb Agreement Exercises

Select one answer from the choices provided.

1. Either the physicians in this hospital or the chief administrator (is/are) going to have to make a decision
2. (Is/Are) my boss or my sisters in the union going to win this grievance?
3. Some of the votes (seem/seems) to have been miscounted.
4. The tornadoes that tear through this county every spring (is/are) more than just a nuisance.
5. Everyone selected to serve on this jury (has/have) to be willing to give up a lot of time.
6. Kara Wolters, together with her teammates, (presents/present) a formidable opponent on the basketball court.
7. He seems to forget that there (is/are) things to be done before he can graduate.
8. There (has/have) to be some people left in that town after yesterday's flood.
9. Some of the grain (appears/appear) to be contaminated.
10. Three-quarters of the students (is/are) against the tuition hike.
11. Three-quarters of the student body (is/are) against the tuition hike.
12. A high percentage of the population (is/are) voting for the new school.

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13. A high percentage of the people (is/are) voting for the new school.
14. George and Tamara (doesn't/don't) want to see that movie.
15. One of my sisters (is/are) going on a trip to France.
16. The man with all the birds (live/lives) on my street.
17. The movie, including all the previews, (take/takes) about two hours to watch.
18. The players, as well as the captain, (want/wants) to win.
19. Either answer (is/are) acceptable.
20. Every one of those books (is/are) fiction.
21. Nobody (know/knows) the trouble I've seen.
22. (Is/Are) the news on at five or six?
23. Mathematics (is/are) John's favorite subject, while Civics (is/are) Andrea's favorite subject.
24. Eight dollars (is/are) the price of a movie these days.
25. (Is/Are) the tweezers in this drawer?
26. Your pants (is/are) at the cleaner's.
27. There (was/were) fifteen candies in that bag. Now there (is/are) only one left!
28. The committee (debates/debate) these questions carefully.
29. The committee (leads/lead) very different lives in private.
30. All of the CDs, even the scratched one, (is/are) in this case.

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