Subject Verb Agreement

In the following passage there are ten SVA errors.

Identify which verbs are incorrect. For the first answer you simply write the line number where the mistake occurs. In the second box write three words. The word in front of the verb, the verb and the word after the verb. For example:

1	It has been reported that cyber-bullying is on the	1a	2
2	rise, the police is taking appropriate action to	1b	police are taking
3	control it. The police and cyber security experts	2a	4
4	jointly investigates all reported cases.	2b	jointly investigate all

Line	Text	Answers
1.	Research findings from a leading global market	
2.	research agency, Taylor Nelson Sofres (TNS),	1a
3.	in September 2014 shows that constant	1b
4.	connectivity and digital media have enabled	
5.	Malaysians to be one of the most socially	2a
6.	engaged markets in the world. According to	
7.	findings from TNS's Connected Life study, over	2b
8.	three fifths (62%) of Internet users in Malaysia	
9.	access social media networks daily, compared to	3a
10.	42% globally, whilst 52% use instant messaging	3b
11.	every day.	
12.	For over a third of Internet users in Malaysia,	4-
13.	the screen of their mobile phone are the first	4a
14.	face they see in the morning; 35% of Internet	4b
15.	users in Malaysia reach for their mobile phone	
16.	before they even get out of bed, whilst a similar	5a
17.	number (34%) uses their phone in bed before	-
18.	they go to sleep.	5b
19.	This phone usage contribute to the 4.5 hours	
20.	of leisure time Internet users in Malaysia spend	
21.	online every day. Much of this screen time are	
22.	spent in staying more connected. Whilst almost	
23.	three fifths (59%) admit to spending a lot of	

24.	their time on social media, email is still an	
25.	important channel, with over 58% sending	6a
26.	personal emails on a daily basis.	
27.	Facebook is by far the most popular application,	
28.	with almost half of Malaysian Internet users	
29.	identifying it as their favourite social platform	7a
30.	(48%) and 88% visiting the site weekly.	7b
31.	WhatsApp are not far behind for weekly use, at	
32.	72% of Malaysian Internet users; however, it is	90
33.	the favourite platform for just one fifth of the	8a
34.	population (19%). In addition, whilst Malaysian	8b
35.	Internet users may have their favourite	
36.	platforms, they do use a wide range of different	9a
37.	services to stay connected – far more than is	01-
38.	seen globally.	9b
39.	Malaysian Internet users does still engage with	
40.	traditional media. They watch just under an	10a
41.	hour and twenty minutes of TV every day,	10b
42.	primarily during the evening when a quarter of	
43.	Internet users will turn on the set.	
44.	The study also shows that Internet users in	
45.	Malaysia is amongst the most attached to their	
46.	digital devices of everyone else in the world. The	
47.	extent to which social media and digital devices	
48.	have taken hold in Malaysia really show this to	
49.	be true. However, with traditional media	
50.	continuing to play a role at particular times of	
51.	day – TV in the early evening at dinner time, for	27
52.	example – there are an opportunity for brands	
53.	to truly integrate their marketing like never	
54.	before.	