

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.