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## The Present Tense



A verb in the present tense needs to agree with the subject of the sentence.

Add -s or -es to the verb when the subject is a singular noun or the pronoun he, she, or it.

A. Write the form of the present-tense verb in parentheses that correctly completes each sentence.

1. All over the world, people ( catch, catches) fish for food. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Eating fish ( supply, supplies) the body with Vitamin E. \_\_\_\_\_
3. My younger brother (is, are) allergic to fish. \_\_\_\_\_
4. He (break, breaks) out in a rash from eating fish. \_\_\_\_\_
5. Dad (fish, fishes) on the lake all summer because the rest of us ( love, loves) fish. \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

B. Write each sentence, using the correct present-tense form of the verb in parentheses.

Example: It \_\_\_\_\_ illegal in most places to use drift nets to catch tuna. (be)

It is illegal in most places to use drift nets to catch tuna.

1. These fishers \_\_\_\_\_ huge drift nets in the water to catch tuna. (use)  
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2. Tuna and dolphins often \_\_\_\_\_ together in the Pacific Ocean. (swim)  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. One problem \_\_\_\_\_ that dolphins get caught in the tuna nets. (be)  
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4. The label on this tuna fish can \_\_\_\_\_ "dolphin safe." (say)  
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