Workbook 12

TERMS

Verb Number:

1. *Verbs can change to show number.*
2. *Verbs can be singular, which means one of something.*
3. *Verbs also can be plural, which means more than one of something.*

Verb Number Spelling Rules:

1. *To make a verb **singular**, add –s or –es to the end of the word.*
2. *You **do not change** the spelling of a verb to make it **plural**.*

***Be* Verb Number:**

1. ***Be** verbs are also singular or plural.*
2. ***Their spelling changes, too.***

Present Tense

Singular	***Singular***
I	*am*
You	*are*
He, She, It	*is*

Plural	***Plural***
We	*are*
You	*are*
They	*are*

Past Tense

Singular	***Singular***
I	*was*
You	*were*
He, She, It	*was*

Plural	***Plural***
We	*were*
You	*were*
They	*were*

PART A

1. Phillip <u>was</u> happy about his new DVD player.
2. We <u>are</u> on our way to the park to play soccer.
3. You <u>are</u> in the middle of the shopping aisle.
4. The kittens <u>were</u> in a basket beside their mother.

PART B

1. One boy was hungry.
2. Two boys were hungry.
3. One boy is hungry.
4. Two boys are hungry.

PART C

Instructions: Use your sheet of paper. Copy the sentence to your paper. Use your pencil to label each sentence as Singular or Plural.

1. The blackbirds near school were louder than a jet engine.
2. A famous musician is in town for the weekend.
3. The children in our neighborhood enjoy were playing pick-up basketball games.
4. They are all very good players.

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PART D

***Instructions*:** Use a clean sheet of paper. Combine these sentences into **one** sentence. Make sure that the verbs all agree in number (singular or plural).

1. Adrienne was riding the bus to work each day.
2. Adrienne's friend Toni was walking to work, though.
3. They both walked home after work because it was too late for the bus.

PART E

Instructions: Use the same sheet of paper. These sentences have different verb number errors. Correct the sentences so that they all have correct verb number agreement. Rewrite the new sentences on your sheet of paper in ***paragraph form***. Correct all capitalization and punctuation, too.

1. the freeway were jammed with traffic
2. all of the cars was stopped
3. the drivers was yelling and honking their horns
4. a truck full of chickens were turned over
5. the chickens was sprinting across the highway to get to the other side