

Grammar

Subject-verb agreement – Exercise

Choose the correct form of the verb in brackets to complete each sentence. All the sentences are in the Present tense.

Example:

There (be) too many people at the cinema.	There are too many people at the cinema
1. No news (be) good news.	
2. The information (come) from a reliable source.	
3. The media (like) to report scandals.	
4. The data in this report (be) unreliable.	
5. The cattle (be) out in the field.	
6. The police (be) getting tougher on criminals.	
7. The homeless (need) our help.	
8. The young (have) many lessons to learn.	
9. Mathematics (be) my favourite subject.	
10. Aerobics (be) a popular activity these days.	
11. Fifty dollars (not buy) anything nowadays.	
12. Two hundred miles (be) a long way to travel.	
13. Mumps (be) dangerous if contracted in adultho	od
14. The Times (be) a British newspaper.	
15. The United States (have) a large number of uni	iversities
16. The Netherlands (belong) to the EU.	
17. No-one (know) her ethnic origin.	
18. Everybody (bring) their own lunch.	
19. Somebody (be) knocking on the door.	
20. (do) anyone have their phone on them?	



21.	(be) anybody going to the workshop?	
22.	Everything (need) to be checked again.	
23.	What (make) this a good school?	
24.	Who (have) the authority to fire staff?	
25.	Everyone (have) to fill in a form.	
26.	Nothing (upset) her.	
27.	Each series (have) six seasons.	
28.	The firm's headquarters (be) in Dubai.	
29.	That (be) the most reliable means of transport.	
30.	Several means of transport (be) available.	
31.	Two-thirds of the forest (be) destroyed.	
32.	1% of the users (not know) their password.	
33.	My gloves (be) lined with fur.	
34.	This pair of gloves (fit) me best.	
35.	The board (consist) of five committees.	
36.	The board (be) casting their votes.	
37.	Every couple (get) three chances to play.	
38.	The winning couple (be) talking about their expe	erience
39.	Some of us (laugh) louder than others.	
40.	No other solution (be) available.	
41.	All the money (come) from her investments.	
42.	None of these arguments (be) relevant.	
43.	Neither of the laptops (work).	
44.	Either venue (be) suitable for us.	
45.	Neither Jim nor his colleagues (get) paid a lot.	