

Agreement With Compound Subjects

Is the verb in each sentence singular or plural? Mark your answer on the answer sheet.

1. Dogs and cats are the most popular pets.
A singular B plural
2. A fish or a bird is often found in people's homes, too.
A singular B plural
3. Friends and family present pets as gifts to their loved ones.
A singular B plural
4. Kayla and Tyler are my next-door neighbors.
A singular B plural
5. They and their parents have a Great Dane dog.
A singular B plural
6. Their grandmother or their uncle watches the dog when the family is on vacation.
A singular B plural
7. My family and I have two cats whose names are Milo and Johnny.
A singular B plural
8. Neither Milo nor Johnny likes dogs.
A singular B plural
9. But both of them like birds and fish.
A singular B plural
10. However, neither birds nor fish like cats!
A singular B plural

Which verb best completes each sentence? Mark your answer on the answer sheet.

11. Tom Brokaw and Dan Rather _____ well-known newscasters today.
A are B is
12. Walter Cronkite or other professionals _____ more popular in past years.
A were B was
13. Neither Andy Rooney nor Mike Wallace _____ on NBC's *20/20* program.
A are B is
14. Andy Rooney, Mike Wallace, and Ed Bradley _____ on CBS's *60 Minutes* program.
A are B is
15. Either Diane Sawyer or Charlie Gibson _____ the host for a news segment on *Good Morning America*.
A are B is
16. On NBC's *Today* show, Katie Couric and Matt Lauer _____ the show's main hosts.
A are B is
17. Matt or Katie _____ often responsible for an individual interview.
A are B is
18. Al Roker and Ann Curry _____ also important members of the *Today* crew.
A are B is
19. A man or a woman _____ capable of hosting some of the most popular news shows.
A are B is
20. Neither reporting news nor interviewing guests _____ a problem for today's top newscasters.
A are B is