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Please answer the following questions as they pertain to subject-verb-pronoun agreement.

1. What is the rule when the subject has *neither? . nor* or *either . . .or?*
2. How do you know when a noun ending in *-ics* is singular or plural?
3. Please list TEN singular indefinite pronouns. (one point each)
4. Please list the FOUR plural indefinite pronouns.
5. When an indefinite pronoun is used as a subject that may be either singular or plural, we look where to determine where or not it is singular or plural?
6. Which pronouns are used with a singular antecedent?
7. Which pronouns are used with a plural antecedent?
8. When do we use *don't* and *doesn't*?
9. What conjunction automatically makes the subject plural? Please use it in a sentence and then circle it.
10. Please use a title or an organization as a subject in a complete sentence.

Fix the following sentences in relation to subject-verb-pronoun agreement. If it is correct, please put a C. You must cross out the prep. phrases, circle the sub, and then fix the verb or pronouns.

1. Her *Flowering Judas*, a 1930 book of short stories, are still read.
2. All but one of her books, *Hacienda: A Story of Mexico*, has been purchased by our library.
3. Not a single one of her books remain on the library shelves very long.
4. Both *Noon Wine* and *Pale Horse, Pale Rider* was praised by critics.
5. There is several possible explanations for her outstanding reputation.
6. Neither poetic sensibility nor psychological insight are in short supply.

7. All but one or two of my relatives admires her.
8. Almost every reader of Porter feels she deserved the Pulitzer Prize.
9. A great deal of her insight and talent are apparent in *Ship of Fools*, which was made into a movie in 1965.
10. Porter always cares about human relationships; each of her books prove this point.
11. If anyone has a sure test for political honesty, they should divulge it.
12. It is said that every society gets the politicians it deserves.
13. Everyone is planning to vote should be on their guard against glib generalizations and promises.
14. If every candidate remained silent before the election, would they do the electorate a dis-service.
15. In an election year, everyone should think for themselves and vote as wisely as possible.
16. Neither the questions asked nor the answers given was conclusive or brilliant.
17. When is such attempts to learn national views wholly reliable?
18. Are my family's opinions better than those of another family?
19. If any family is omniscient, they could replace all of the opinion polls.
20. Each opinion poll questions a small sample of people who are considered to be representative.
21. Neither a sample of a thousand Democrats nor a thousand Republicans are a representative sample.
22. And who speaks for the registered voters who may or may not cast his votes?
23. Modern sampling techniques tries to guard against such biased or unreliable sampling.
24. The pollster himself denies they can call theirs an exact science.
25. Politicians' predictions and wishful thinking have its value, but also its shortcoming and built-in fallibility.

26. Stewart's book about place names are a classic in the field.
27. Place names, which often show a great deal of imagination, has attracted increasing interest.
28. Every small village, stream, and pond needs a name.
29. There is a great many place names that come from Native American words.
30. Some of the most familiar Native American names, such as *Utah*, was originally the names of tribes.
31. A list of United States' cities show the Spanish influence.
32. Both *Los Angeles* and *San Francisco* comes form Spanish.
33. Each of the two largest cities in Texas are named after a politician.
34. A number of place names in the United State is the same as European place names.
35. Many cities, especially in the East, carries names taken from European cities such as London, Paris, Rome, and Berlin.
36. Both Cholanda and Dee Dee gave her ten-minute talks on trees.
37. If anyone wants to see an American elm, they should go with Cholanda.
38. Not one of the girls identified their gray birch leaf correctly.
39. Everyone who plans to go on a nature hike should be on their guard against poisonous snakes.
40. A poisonous snake can usually be identified by either its color or its behavior.
41. The author that Juanita and her brother favors is Agatha Christie.
42. "The Murders in the Rue Morgue" were Edgar Allan Poe's first detective story.
43. In fact, Poe's here, C. Auguste Dupin—not Sherlock Holmes or any of his contemporaries—were the original fictional detective.
44. There is many readers who, like Juanita, prefer Agatha Christie's Miss Marple to the eccentric Dupin.

45. One of Dupin's cases, like some of Miss Marple's, are solved by armchair investigation—that is, without visiting the scene of the crime.
46. Juanita don't like the later, hard-boiled stories as much as the ones that are more like puzzles.
47. Juanita claims that neither a clever lawyer nor a wisecracking detective are as satisfactory a hero as Miss Marple.
48. It is amazing how many detective heroes has been created over the years.
49. Unquestionably, the most popular is Sherlock Holmes, whose adventures in novels and short stories still have widespread appeal today.
50. Both Dupin and Holmes, as well as Miss Marple, has a firm place in the history of detective fiction.