TOP 10 RULES OF
SUBJECT-VERB
AGREEMENT

1. Subjects and verbs must agree in number.
   
   Examples: The cat meows when he is hungry. The cats meow when they are hungry.

2. The words between the subject and verb do not affect agreement.
   
   Example: The little girl, who is wearing gloves, is well-dressed.

3. The verb is plural if two subjects are joined by "and."
   
   Example: The man and the woman were late for the appointment.

4. The verb is singular if two subjects refer to the same person or thing and are joined by "and."
   
   Example: Peanut butter and jelly is my favorite sandwich.

5. The verb is singular if "each," "every" or "no" comes before the subject.
   
   Examples: No yelling is allowed. Every man and woman is coming.

6. The verb is singular for units of measurement or time.
   
   Example: Five minutes is enough time.

7. When gerunds are used as the subject of a sentence, they take the singular form of the verb.
   
   Example: Standing in the water was a bad idea.

8. The verb is singular for indefinite pronouns.
   
   Example: Everyone is waiting for the movie to start.

9. The verb is singular for collective nouns.
   
   Example: The crowd is yelling.

10. The verb is singular for titles of books and movies.
    
    Example: The Birds is a scary movie.