

## REVISING FOR AGREEMENT

Check for agreement problems in each of the following sentences. Write *S* for sentences where agreement is satisfactory. Write the revised form of the verb (or the helping verb) for sentences where agreement is unsatisfactory.

1. A composer and his work often goes unnoticed because of insufficient publicity. \_\_\_\_\_
2. The opportunity to travel and a congenial environment were as important to her as the salary. \_\_\_\_\_
3. Many employees worked all day with toxic substances, but there was usually inadequate safeguards provided by the company. \_\_\_\_\_
4. When we taxied to the runway, there was several big planes backed up because of the bad weather. \_\_\_\_\_
5. New inventions and the trend toward automation has reduced the demand for unskilled labor. \_\_\_\_\_
6. Whenever a bear in the park attacks humans, the rangers try to move the animal to a remote area. \_\_\_\_\_
7. The number of students in science courses have gone up considerably in recent years. \_\_\_\_\_
8. Either my aunt or one of her family have to stay in town to feed her pets. \_\_\_\_\_
9. Possible construction of additional dormitories was being studied. \_\_\_\_\_
10. Thrifty but never stingy, the Dutch, from the richest to the poorest, spare nothing to make their houses clean and comfortable. \_\_\_\_\_
11. On the wall of his study hang several paintings by little-known American artists. \_\_\_\_\_
12. According to the auditor, the financial reserves of the company is almost exhausted. \_\_\_\_\_
13. The convention bureau had a list of private rooms for those of the delegates who were unable to find rooms in hotels. \_\_\_\_\_

- 14. Gerald is one of those writers who prefer poverty to writing movie scripts or commercials. \_\_\_\_\_
- 15. The misunderstandings caused by incomplete knowledge of foreign cultures contribute to friction between nations. \_\_\_\_\_
- 16. There has been more deaths on our highways this year than in any other year in the nation's history. \_\_\_\_\_
- 17. The practical application of these theories have not yet been worked out. \_\_\_\_\_
- 18. There seems to be many causes of friction between parents and their children. \_\_\_\_\_
- 19. On board the spacecraft, there was a doctor, a psychologist, and a botanist. \_\_\_\_\_
- 20. Dissatisfaction with long commuting hours bring many former residents back to the city. \_\_\_\_\_
- 21. Reading detective novels is a pleasant way to spend lonely evenings. \_\_\_\_\_
- 22. On the front page of the magazine appear its name and a list of the articles in the current issue. \_\_\_\_\_
- 23. The age of technology and automation have created a growing demand for scientists and engineers. \_\_\_\_\_
- 24. My own childhood and several years of caring for my younger sisters has helped me to understand young children. \_\_\_\_\_
- 25. A knowledge of foreign languages helps students to understand their own language. \_\_\_\_\_