

Inverted Sentences

- Ever wonder why Yoda from the movie “*Star Wars*” talks so funny? It’s because he’s using inverted sentences! Sentences in which the verb comes before the subject are “*inverted*”. This is done to put more emphasis on the verb. To conjugate the verb in an inverted sentence correctly, you must be sure to find the subject and decide if it is singular or plural.

Example: In that barn *live* four horses.

- Sentences that begin with *here* or *there* are also inverted. To conjugate the verb correctly in these sentences, you must correctly identify the true subject.

Example: There *are* many fishermen on the lake.

Directions: Circle the correct form of the verb.

- 1) Down that dark path (*sit, sits*) the haunted house.
- 2) Here (*is, are*) the book you wanted to read.
- 3) Untouched (*was, were*) the tranquil garden.
- 4) From the bank the thief (*steal, steals*) the money.
- 5) From the bowl (*eat, eats*) three cats.
- 6) There (*was, were*) a big fire here last year.
- 7) Where (*is, are*) my favorite hat?
- 8) There (*stand, stands*) the president of the United States.
- 9) What (*do, does*) you do for a living?
- 10) Attached (*is, are*) a copy of the file.



Directions: Invert the following regular sentences.

- 1) The stolen merchandise is here!

- 2) His letter is included in the email.

- 3) The young Jedi is very wise.

Directions: Now write two of your own inverted sentences.

1) _____

2) _____

