

## Subjects and Verbs B

**10b.** A *subject* tells *whom* or *what* the sentence is about.

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**10e.** The *simple predicate*, or *verb*, is the main word or word group that tells something about the subject.

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**EXERCISE** For the following sentences, underline the subjects and circle the verbs.

**Example 1.** Rosa and Marta are on the volleyball team.

- Venus and Mars are Earth's nearest planetary neighbors.
- Gilbert will create a short film or write a one-act play.
- Her three-year-old brother does a silly dance and gives us all a good laugh.
- Working together, Jamal and Tina carried the boxes of books up three flights of stairs.
- The best movie of the summer created suspense and frightened the audience.
- Especially during this close game, the team members and the coach must work together.
- Last weekend, Aunt Sally went to the neighborhood pool and read for hours.
- When will we see our relatives and exchange the gifts?
- Both Hannah and Chuck worked hard on the science project.
- In her spare time, Elena studies art books, finds interesting ideas, and creates new projects.
- Push-ups and chin-ups require strength in the arms and shoulders.
- Every evening before dark, the athlete and her coach jog three miles together.
- Among those with perfect attendance for the year were Joey, Dannika, and Steig.
- On the hike up the mountain, I stumbled over a log and bruised my knee.
- Either the baseball team or the softball team should win the state championship this year.
- To our surprise, neither Mom nor Grandpa particularly liked the salsa.
- The amateur photographer takes pictures regularly but never develops her own photographs.
- My neighbor writes short films but usually doesn't produce them.
- Will lettuce and tomatoes be crops in our backyard garden this year?
- During a funny scene, that actor skipped a line and confused the star of the show.