

Find the Errors! II

PROOFREADING ACTIVITIES

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15. Subject-Verb Agreement

Directions: Underline the correct verb form in each pair of verbs. Circle the five misspelled words. Write them correctly in the Spelling Box.

Three women, Jena, Yolanda, and Ann, were shipwrecked on a deserted island. Each of them (was, were) without any supplies or extra clothing. Several coconut trees (was, were) growing nearby to provide shade and food. A small spring, surrounded by mossy rocks, (was, were) a source of fresh water.

Jena, along with Yolanda, (was, were) the adventurous sort. She decided to explore the island. Neither (was, were) able to persuade Ann to join them. As far as Jena was concerned, boredom, as well as the poor selection of food, (was, were) reason enough to explore their environs. Besides, sunbathing, as well as recovering from the ordeal of the wreck, (was, were) getting to be boring.

Both Jena and Yolanda (was, were) eager to begin. They (was, were) able to circumvent the perimeter of the island in just under forty minutes. Neither rocks nor an extremely high tide (was, were) able to slow them down.

The next of their options (was, were) to climb the hill on the north side of the island. It was a pleasant climb; both wildflowers and tall grasses (was, were) plentiful. But neither food nor supplies (was, were) to be found.

Suddenly, Yolanda, the more observant of the two, (was, were) overcome with excitement. On the ground, nearly hidden in the tall grasses, (was, were) a brass lamp. The lamp, in both shape and color, (was, were) exactly like the famed Aladdin's lamp. Both Yolanda and Jena (was, were) in agreement on hurrying back to show Ann the lamp.

Jena rubbed the lamp, and everyone (was, were) surprised when a genie appeared! Each woman (was, were) granted one wish. Yolanda went first. Her wish (was, were) for a helicopter, and she flew away, disappearing into the sky. Jena, unlike the others, (was, were) not entirely afraid of boats, so she wished for a sailboat and sailed away. Ann was lonely, so her wish (was, were) for her two friends to return.

SPELLING BOX	1. _____	2. _____
3. _____	4. _____	5. _____



33. Review V

Directions: Make corrections where they are needed in the story. Circle the five misspelled words. Rewrite them correctly in the Spelling Box.

It was a beautiful Spring morning and the sun was shining and the sky was blue. Several wispy white clouds was floating lazily in the air. The dafodils as well as a tulip was poking its head out of the ground. The grass was getting green and many of the trees was begining to leaf out. Each of the birds in the yard were singing their finest song. It was all together a very fine morning.

The previous week had been Spring Break. All of the students was granted an entire week off from school. The weather had cooperated and everyone had enjoyed being outside in your yard or out at the lake.

But now it was Monday morning and time to go back to school. The return to classes books homework. Something no one looked forward to. But now the dreaded day had arrived. It was Monday morning.

A mother walked into her son's room. She said Time to get up and go to school!

But I don't want to said the son. Pulling his pillow over his head the bed became still again.

Once again the mother came into the room. All were dark and still. Looking at the bed a big lump in the middle could still be seen.

You must get up the mother insisted you'll be late.

But everyone hate me replied the son. Not one person in that entire school like me neither the teachers nor the students likes me. They all try to avoid me when they see me coming they turn and go the other way. Not only that the food in the cafeteria is lousy.

The mom listened to all this as long as she could stand it. Be that as it may she said finally you have no choice you have to go your 35 years old and you're the principle.

SPELLING BOX	1. _____	2. _____
3. _____	4. _____	5. _____

