

IBPS Clerk Prelims 2026

Subject-Verb Agreement - Practice Set 3 of 5

 **Focus: Neither/Nor, Either/Or, Along with**

 **Time: 15 Minutes**

 **Total: 25 Questions**

 Section A: Error Detection - 10 Qs

 Section B: Fill in the Blanks - 10 Qs

 Section C: Sentence Improvement - 5 Qs

Instructions

- ✓ This practice set contains 25 moderate level questions on NEITHER/NOR, EITHER/OR, and ALONG WITH
- ✓ Each question carries 1 mark (No negative marking for practice)
- ✓ Try to complete all questions within 15 minutes
- ✓ Rules covered: Neither...nor, Either...or, Not only...but also, along with, as well as, together with
- ✓ After attempting all questions, check answers with detailed explanations
- ✓ Use the Performance Tracker to analyze your accuracy

SECTION A: Error Detection (Neither/Nor, Either/Or, Along with)

10
Questions

Directions: Each sentence below contains an error related to Neither/Nor, Either/Or, or Along with. Identify the part that contains the error. (A, B, C, or D). If no error, mark E.

Question 1

(A) Neither the manager (B) nor his assistants (C) was present (D) at the meeting. (E) No error

- ☐ A. Neither the manager
- ☐ B. nor his assistants
- ☐ C. was present
- ☐ D. at the meeting
- ☐ E. No error

Question 2

(A) Either the students (B) or the teacher (C) are responsible (D) for the mistake. (E) No error

- ☐ A. Either the students
- ☐ B. or the teacher
- ☐ C. are responsible
- ☐ D. for the mistake
- ☐ E. No error

Question 3

(A) The teacher, along with the students, (B) are going (C) on a field trip (D) tomorrow. (E) No error

- ☐ A. The teacher, along with the students,
- ☐ B. are going
- ☐ C. on a field trip
- ☐ D. tomorrow
- ☐ E. No error

Question 4

(A) Neither the boys (B) nor the girl (C) have arrived (D) at the party. (E) No error

- ☐ A. Neither the boys
- ☐ B. nor the girl
- ☐ C. have arrived
- ☐ D. at the party
- ☐ E. No error

Question 5

(A) Ram, as well as his friends, (B) have arrived (C) at the function (D) on time. (E) No error

- ☐ A. Ram, as well as his friends,
- ☐ B. have arrived
- ☐ C. at the function
- ☐ D. on time
- ☐ E. No error

Question 6

(A) Either you (B) or I (C) is responsible (D) for this task. (E) No error

- ☐ A. Either you
- ☐ B. or I
- ☐ C. is responsible
- ☐ D. for this task
- ☐ E. No error

Question 7

(A) The captain, together with the players, (B) were injured (C) in the accident (D) last night. (E) No error

- ☐ A. The captain, together with the players,
- ☐ B. were injured
- ☐ C. in the accident
- ☐ D. last night
- ☐ E. No error

Question 8

(A) Neither the students (B) nor the teacher (C) were happy (D) with the result. (E) No error

- ☐ A. Neither the students
- ☐ B. nor the teacher
- ☐ C. were happy
- ☐ D. with the result
- ☐ E. No error

Question 9

(A) The minister, accompanied by his staff, (B) are visiting (C) the flood-affected areas (D) today. (E) No error

- ☐ A. The minister, accompanied by his staff,
- ☐ B. are visiting
- ☐ C. the flood-affected areas
- ☐ D. today
- ☐ E. No error

Question 10

(A) Not only the manager (B) but also his assistants (C) is responsible (D) for the loss. (E)

No error

- ☐ A. Not only the manager
- ☐ B. but also his assistants
- ☐ C. is responsible
- ☐ D. for the loss
- ☐ E. No error

SECTION B: Fill in the Blanks

10 Questions

Directions: Choose the correct verb form to fill in the blank.

Question 11

Neither the teacher nor the students _____ present in the class.

- ☐ A. was
- ☐ B. were
- ☐ C. is
- ☐ D. has

Question 12

Either Ram or his friends _____ coming to the party.

- ☐ A. is
- ☐ B. are
- ☐ C. was
- ☐ D. has

Question 13

The teacher, along with the students, _____ going to the museum.

- ☐ A. is
- ☐ B. are
- ☐ C. were
- ☐ D. have

Question 14

Neither the boys nor the girl _____ arrived yet.

- ☐ A. have
- ☐ B. has
- ☐ C. are
- ☐ D. were

Question 15

The captain, as well as the players, _____ injured.

- ☐ A. were
- ☐ B. was
- ☐ C. are
- ☐ D. have

Question 16

Either you or I _____ going to attend the meeting.

- ☐ A. is
- ☐ B. are
- ☐ C. am
- ☐ D. were

Question 17

Not only the manager but also his assistants _____ responsible for the project.

- ☐ A. is
- ☐ B. are
- ☐ C. was
- ☐ D. has

Question 18

Neither the food nor the drinks _____ served at the party.

- ☐ A. was
- ☐ B. were
- ☐ C. is
- ☐ D. has

Question 19

The book, in addition to the notes, _____ very helpful for the exam.

- ☐ A. are
- ☐ B. is
- ☐ C. were
- ☐ D. have

Question 20

Either the car or the bikes _____ for sale.

- ☐ A. is
- ☐ B. are
- ☐ C. was
- ☐ D. has

SECTION C: Sentence Improvement

5 Questions

Directions: Improve the underlined part of the sentence.

Question 21

Neither the manager nor his assistants was present at the meeting.

- ☐ A. was present
- ☐ B. were present
- ☐ C. is present
- ☐ D. has been present

Question 22

The teacher, along with the students, are going on a picnic.

- ☐ A. are going
- ☐ B. is going
- ☐ C. were going
- ☐ D. have been going

Question 23

Either the principal or the teachers is speaking at the assembly.

- ☐ A. is speaking
- ☐ B. are speaking
- ☐ C. was speaking
- ☐ D. has been speaking

Question 24

Not only the manager but also his assistants is responsible for the loss.

- ☐ A. Not only the manager but also his assistants is responsible
- ☐ B. Not only the manager but also his assistants are responsible
- ☐ C. Not only the manager but also his assistants was responsible
- ☐ D. Not only the manager but also his assistants has been responsible

Question 25

Neither the proposal nor the suggestions was accepted by the committee.

- ☐ A. Neither the proposal nor the suggestions was accepted
- ☐ B. Neither the proposal nor the suggestions were accepted
- ☐ C. Neither the proposal nor the suggestions is accepted
- ☐ D. Neither the proposal nor the suggestions has been accepted

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Answer Key with Detailed Explanations

SECTION A: Error Detection

Q1. Answer: C. was present

☒ C

"Neither...nor" — nearest subject "assistants" (plural) → "were present".

 Neither...nor → verb agrees with nearest subject.

Q2. Answer: C. are responsible

☒ C

"Either...or" — nearest subject "teacher" (singular) → "is responsible".

 Either...or → verb agrees with nearest subject.

Q3. Answer: B. are going

☒ B

"Along with" — verb agrees with first subject "teacher" (singular) → "is going".

 along with, as well as → verb agrees with first subject.

Q4. Answer: C. have arrived

☒ C

"Neither...nor" — nearest subject "girl" (singular) → "has arrived".

 Nearest subject singular → singular verb.

Q5. Answer: B. have arrived

✓ B

"As well as" — verb agrees with first subject "Ram" (singular) → "has arrived".

📌 as well as → verb agrees with first subject.

Q6. Answer: C. is responsible

✓ C

"Either...or" with I → verb should be "am". Correct: "Either you or I am responsible."

📌 With I, use "am".

Q7. Answer: B. were injured

✓ B

"Together with" — verb agrees with first subject "captain" (singular) → "was injured".

📌 together with → verb agrees with first subject.

Q8. Answer: C. were happy

✓ C

"Neither...nor" — nearest subject "teacher" (singular) → "was happy".

📌 Nearest subject singular → singular verb.

Q9. Answer: B. are visiting

✓ B

"Accompanied by" — verb agrees with first subject "minister" (singular) → "is visiting".

📌 accompanied by → verb agrees with first subject.

Q10. Answer: C. is responsible

☒ C

"Not only...but also" — verb agrees with nearest subject "assistants" (plural) → "are responsible".

📌 Not only...but also → verb agrees with nearest subject.

SECTION B: Fill in the Blanks

Q11. Answer: B. were

☒ B

Nearest subject "students" plural → were.

Q12. Answer: B. are

☒ B

Nearest subject "friends" plural → are.

Q13. Answer: A. is

☒ A

First subject "teacher" singular → is.

Q14. Answer: B. has

☒ B

Nearest subject "girl" singular → has.

Q15. Answer: B. was

☒ B

First subject "captain" singular → was.

Q16. Answer: C. am

☒ C

Nearest subject "I" → am.

Q17. Answer: B. are

☒ B

Nearest subject "assistants" plural → are.

Q18. Answer: B. were

☒ B

Nearest subject "drinks" plural → were.

Q19. Answer: B. is

☒ B

First subject "book" singular → is.

Q20. Answer: B. are

☒ B

Nearest subject "bikes" plural → are.

SECTION C: Sentence Improvement

Q21. Answer: B. were present

☒ B

Nearest subject "assistants" plural → were.

Q22. Answer: B. is going

✓ B

First subject "teacher" singular → is.

Q23. Answer: B. are speaking

✓ B

Nearest subject "teachers" plural → are.

Q24. Answer: B. Not only the manager but also his assistants are responsible

✓ B

Nearest subject "assistants" plural → are.

Q25. Answer: B. Neither the proposal nor the suggestions were accepted

✓ B

Nearest subject "suggestions" plural → were.

Performance Tracker

Section	Total	Correct	Wrong	Accuracy %
Section A (Error Detection)	10	___	___	___%
Section B (Fill in Blanks)	10	___	___	___%
Section C (Improvement)	5	___	___	___%
TOTAL	25	___	___	___%

 **Score Interpretation:** 22-25: Excellent | 18-21: Good | 14-17: Average | Below 14: Need Improvement

Neither/Nor, Either/Or, Along with Rules Covered

-  **Rule 1:** Neither...nor / Either...or → verb agrees with the NEAREST subject
-  **Rule 2:** Not only...but also → verb agrees with the NEAREST subject
-  **Rule 3:** along with, as well as, together with, accompanied by → verb agrees with the FIRST subject
-  **Rule 4:** With "Either you or I" → verb should be "am"
-  **Rule 5:** in addition to, besides, including → verb agrees with the first subject
-  **Rule 6:** These phrases do NOT make the subject plural

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