

Lesson 6.4 Compound Subjects and Verbs

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Exercise 1 Identifying Compound Subjects and Verbs

Underline the compound subjects once and the compound verbs twice.

- 1. Jacob and Wilhelm Grimm wrote "The Fisherman and His Wife."
- **2.** The tale describes a married couple and reveals the wife's greed.
- **3.** The man catches an enchanted fish and lets it go.
- **4.** The woman is unhappy and wants a fancier house.
- **5.** At his wife's request, the man returns to the fish and asks him for a nicer cottage.
- **6.** The fish listens to the request and grants the wife's wish.
- **7.** For a few weeks, the husband and wife live happily.
- **8.** Soon the wife wants more things and complains again.
- **9.** At first, the man hesitates and then asks the fish for more favors.
- **10.** The fisherman and his wife make a last request and receive a big surprise.

EXERCISE 2 Combining Sentences

Combine each pair of sentences by using a compound subject or a compound verb. In your new sentences, underline the subjects once and the verbs twice.

EXAMPLE Jacob Grimm researched German folktales. So did his brother.

Jacob Grimm and his brother researched German folktales.

- 1. They traveled around Germany. They visited many libraries.
- 2. The Grimms worked hard. They published more than 200 tales.
- **3.** Their tales became popular. They were translated into many languages.
- **4.** Evil stepmothers are in many stories. Talking animals are in many stories.
- **5.** Have you read "Tom Thumb"? Have your friends read it?

Hint

Remember to underline the helping verbs in a verb phrase.