

Subject: With Coordinators

Subjects may be connected by coordinators, short phrases such as *along with*, *together with*, *coupled with*, *rather than* and *as well as*. If the first noun is singular in such a sentence, the verb must also be singular.

Example: The guest of honour, *along with his wife and children*, was seated at the first table.

In the following sentences, underline the COORDINATORS and then conjugate the verbs.

1. The coach, along with his players, (be) _____ exhausted at the end of the game.
2. Coffee, along with tea, cola drinks and chocolate, (be) _____ a recognized source of caffeine.
3. A squeaky chair, along with chatty colleagues, (annoy) _____ the more hard-working employees in the office.
4. Who you know, rather than what you know, (be) _____ often the secret of success.
5. Smoking, as well as drinking, a high-fat diet, and a lack of exercise, (lead) _____ many times to health problems.
6. The tomato, coupled with vinegar and sugar, (be) _____ a key ingredient in ketchup.
7. Soccer, instead of hockey, (be) _____ played by more people than any other sport.
8. The parents, as well as their kids, (be) _____ happy to have arrived at the hotel.
9. A camper's fire, rather than lightning, (be) _____ often the cause of forest fires.
10. The students, as well as the teacher, (be) _____ happy to go on field trips.
11. His family, together with our family, (have) _____ enough people to form a baseball team.

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12. Her sisters, as well as her brother, (coming) _____ to my wedding.
13. Debbie's education in physics, as well as her experience in lab work, (put) _____ her ahead of the other applicants.
14. Their inability to get along, coupled with their ever-increasing anger, (make) _____ them prime candidates for counselling.
15. His enthusiasm and energy for both work and play (be) _____ most commendable.
16. Their expertise in accounting and financial planning (be) _____ unsurpassed.
17. His ability to speak English, French and Spanish (help) _____ him a lot in his job.
18. Their love of fine wine and good food (contribute) _____ to their being so knowledgeable about the restaurant business.
19. Her experience in Third World development in Africa and Asia (make) _____ her a good candidate for the UN job.
20. Most pasta dishes, such as fettucini, lasagna and ravioli, (be) _____ of Italian origin.