

Subject-verb agreement

Complete the following sentences using a verb that agrees with the subject in number and person.

1. The quality of the mangoes not very good. (was / were)
2. The consumption of beverages like tea and coffee not without side effects. (is / are)
3. The introduction of computers in classrooms improved the quality of education. (has / have)
4. There at least a few advantages to living alone. (are / is)
5. The results of the examination been announced. (has / have)
6. The state of his affairs sure to cause anxiety to his parents. (was / were)
7. Gold and silver precious metals. (are / is)
8. Oil and water not mix. (do / does)
9. He and I watching TV. (were / was)

Answers

1. The quality of the mangoes was not very good. (Here the real subject is the abstract noun 'quality'.)
2. The consumption of beverages like tea and coffee is not without side effects.
3. The introduction of computers in classrooms has improved the quality of education.

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4. There are at least a few advantages to living alone.
5. The results of the examination have been announced.
6. The state of his affairs was sure to cause anxiety to his parents.
7. Gold and silver are precious metals.
8. Oil and water do not mix.
9. He and I were watching TV.