## Woodville News

A **singular subjec**t takes a singular verb, whilst a **plural subject** takes a **plural verb**. For example: She was dancing. They were singing.

The Woodville Newspaper has written a report about the Queen's visit to Woodville Primary School. Can you proofread it for errors and add the correct subject/verb agreement?

The children at Woodville Primary School \_\_\_\_\_\_ yesterday excited to learn that the Queen \_\_\_\_\_ going to be opening their new stables for them.

The old stables \_\_\_\_\_\_ knocked down six months ago and the new stables built. "It \_\_\_\_\_\_ a real labour of love," said Headteacher, Precious Dotso. "Our ponies \_\_\_\_\_\_ living in such old buildings. It \_\_\_\_\_\_ time to knock them down and start again." The School \_\_\_\_\_\_ helped by generous donations from local people.

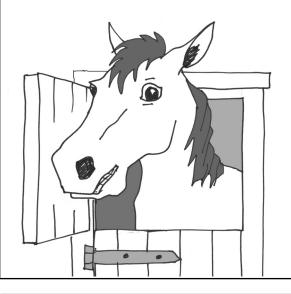


## Challenge

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Pipkin is one of the new ponies at the stables. Write five sentences, using the correct verb/object agreement (was/were) to describe what Pipkin's life is like now. "When we \_\_\_\_\_\_ given four new ponies last year," explained Ted Beavis, the School's riding instructor. "We \_\_\_\_\_ determined to improve the stables. It \_\_\_\_\_ difficult finding room for them all so we needed new stables."

It \_\_\_\_\_ Colin Jones, the architect, who designed the new stables. "They \_\_\_\_\_ so old they \_\_\_\_\_ almost falling down. It \_\_\_\_\_ important to plan stables to accommodate over 20 horses and ponies." Palace Officials say the Queen \_\_\_\_\_ pleased to be asked to open them.



## Super Challenge

Imagine that you are Pipkin. Explain what your life was like before you arrived at Woodville Primary School.