

BRICKWORK

Subject – Verb Agreement



When you write sentences it is important that the subject and the verb 'agree' with each other. For example:

Timber frames is built into the brickwork. This is incorrect.

It should be:

Timber frames are built into the brickwork.

The subject of the sentence (**timber frames**) is plural so the verb must also be plural.

For a singular subject use 'is'. For example:

The surveyor is on site this afternoon.

Underline the correct verb in each sentence.

1. A wall tie is/are used when constructing cavity walls.
2. Gable ends are/is the triangular part of the end wall of a building cut into the roof.
3. An expansion joint are/is positioned within the boundary wall.
4. A hard hat is/are to be worn on site.
5. A spirit level is/are an expensive piece of equipment.
6. A hawk is/are used to hold mortar.
7. It is important that the cleanliness of the work area is/are maintained.
8. A brick wall is/are made by laying several courses, one over another, and the arrangement of the courses is/are called the bond.



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