Lesson 10.4 Inverted Sentences

**Exercise 1 Choosing Correct Verbs**

First, underline the subject. Then, circle the word(s) in parentheses that agrees with the subject.

**EXAMPLE** What books (has, have) you been reading lately?

1. (There’s, There are) few children’s authors as good as Laurence Yep.
2. Why (hasn’t, haven’t) my best friend read any of his books?
3. In my room (is, are) two of Yep’s books: *Dragonwings* and *The Star Fisher*.
4. How (do, does) the plots of those books relate to Yep’s life?
5. There (are, is) several interesting young characters in *The Star Fisher*, including fifteen-year-old Joan Lee and her sister Emily.
6. Why (do, does) the Lees have a hard time after their move to West Virginia?
7. (Is, Are) they the first Chinese family in town?
8. At first, there (is, are) few customers for their new laundry business.
9. In the novel’s last pages (come, comes) a happy ending.
10. Here (is, are) a short review of *The Star Fisher*.

**Exercise 2 Using Inverted Sentences**

Write a paragraph of at least four sentences about a character, a story, or a book you’ve been reading. Use present tense verbs, and include the following:

- a sentence that begins with *here* or *there*
- a question

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**Hint**

Remember that the verb has to agree with the subject, not with the object(s) of a preposition in a prepositional phrase.