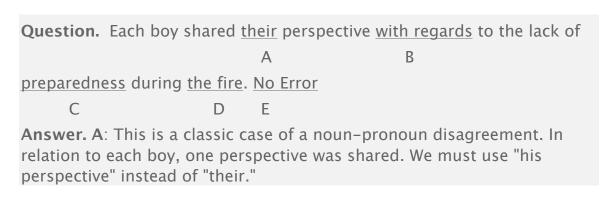# Noun-Pronoun-Possessive Noun Agreement

## About These Problems

**This category includes matching pronouns or possessive nouns to the noun they accurately describe. Make sure that the possessive nouns describe something or someone accurately in reference and singularity/plurality. Keep in mind what most people say in their everyday language is not grammatically correct. In the event that a sentence is vague about which noun you describe, use the actual proper noun. For example if a sentence mentions two men and refers to him, use the actual name instead.**

**Question.** Each boy shared <u>their</u> perspective <u>with regards</u> to the lack of
                                    A                        B

<u>preparedness</u> during <u>the fire</u>. <u>No Error</u>
     C                 D   E

**Answer. A**: This is a classic case of a noun–pronoun disagreement. In relation to each boy, one perspective was shared. We must use "his perspective" instead of "their."

**Question.** When the cat and the dog came across the door, <u>it scratched</u> at the wood panel.

   A. it is scratching
   B. the dog scratches
   C. the cat scratched
   D. it scratches hardly
   E. scratching softly

**Answer. C**: The key to this question is the ambiguity between the dog and the cat being the one scratching at the door. This narrows it down to option B and C. C makes sense in terms of verb tense so the answer is C.