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## Simple Subjects and Predicates Worksheet 3 Soccer Stars!

**Directions:** Underline the simple subjects and circle the simple predicates.

**Simple Subjects:** smallest noun, pronoun, or gerund that takes an action. **Simple Predicates:** verbs or verb phrase reduced to its smallest form.

- 1. My older brother plays soccer really well.
- 2. In other places around the world, they call "soccer" by the name of "football."
- 3. Isn't that confusing?
- 4. People all around the world call our game of football, the one with the NFL, "American football."
- 5. But we Americans once again insist on our way against everyone else.
- 6. This happened before with the metric system.
- 7. Everybody but us uses the much more sensible metric system.
- 8. Citizens of the world get 1,000 meters in their kilometer.
- 9. American children measure distance with 5,280 feet in their mile.
- 10. Students learning in China and India measure weight with 1,000 grams in their kilogram.
- 11. All of the Americans learn about pounds and ounces.
- 12. None of it makes any sense to most of them.
- 13. Maybe learning new things is too hard for some people.
- 14. Maybe American politicians just wanted school to be harder for American children.
- 15. In either case we are stuck with an outdated system and a proud people.
- 16. I love being an American by the way.
- 17. I, too, am a proud American.
- 18. But it is good to admit mistakes.
- 19. And America should be good too in my opinion.
- 20. Anyway, my brother dribbles the soccer ball really far.

21-25. Write five of your own sentences on the back of this sheet. Underline your simple subjects and circle your simple predicates.

