

LESSON 41: SHARED QUALITIES & "ARE"

I GRAMMAR SNAPSHOT • PAIRING WORDS THAT SHARE A QUALITY

- **Pairing Naming Words:** Pick two words from the box that share the same quality, and join them with **and**.
- **Compound Subject with "Are":** Two things together take the plural linking word **are**. End with a **period (.)**.

NAMING WORDS (NOUNS):

iron

ant

lion

glass

stone

fly

horse

chalk

• WRITE FOUR SENTENCES USING WORDS FROM THE BOX TO TELL :

1. What are hard:

2. What are strong:

3. What are small:

4. What are brittle:

SELF CHECK

4 complete sentences • Correct pairs from word box • Plural verb "are" used • Capital letter • Period (.) at end.

LESSON 41: SHARED QUALITIES & "ARE" — ANSWER KEY & GUIDE

CURRICULUM FOCUS & LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- **Categorization & Logic:** Grouping nouns by inherent physical qualities (minerals, living creatures, fragile substances).
- **Subject-Verb Agreement:** Forming compound subjects joined by *and* that govern the plural verb *are*.

1. What are hard:	Iron and stone are hard.	Acceptable order: <i>Stone and iron are hard</i> . Mass nouns joined without articles.
2. What are strong:	The lion and the horse are strong.	Also acceptable: <i>Lions and horses are strong</i> , or <i>The horse and the lion are strong</i> .
3. What are small:	The ant and the fly are small.	Also acceptable: <i>Ants and flies are small</i> . Living insects paired by size.
4. What are brittle:	Glass and chalk are brittle.	Vocabulary: <i>brittle</i> means easily shattered or broken. Both are non-count substances.

WORD PAIRING STRATEGY

Point out that each word in the 8-word bank has a perfect partner for one of the four qualities. Have students cross off words as they use them.

VOCABULARY & SCIENCE DISCUSSION

Discuss why chalk and glass are *brittle* (easily broken) while iron is *hard* and not brittle.

Evaluation Metric	Target Standard (Exemplary)	Common Correction Points
Logical Categorization	Correctly pairs words with their authentic physical qualities.	Ensure student does not mismatch words (e.g. "Ant and glass are small").
Plural Agreement	Correctly employs plural linking verb <i>are</i> in all 4 sentences.	Deduct for singular <i>is</i> .
Mechanics	Capital letter at start of every sentence; period (.) at end.	Check for missing periods.
Spelling	All words accurately spelled directly from the word bank.	Check spelling of <i>brittle</i> , <i>chalk</i> , <i>iron</i> .