

Switch & Agree Answer Key

1. **The students forgot their homework on the desks.**
(student → students; his → their)
2. **The birds sang loudly in their cages.**
(each of the birds → birds; its → their)
3. **The team members celebrated after winning their game.**
(team as a unit → team members as individuals; its → their)
4. **The students left their jackets in the hallway.**
(someone → students; his or her → their)
5. **The teachers reminded the classes to bring their notes.**
(teacher → teachers; her → their)
6. **The runners gave their best effort.**
(every runner → runners; his or her → their)
7. **The committees announced their decisions to cancel the meetings.**
(committee → committees; its → their)
8. **The brothers finished their meal.**
(neither of the brothers → brothers together; his → their)
9. **Maria and Sofia carried the books to their locker.**
(Maria → Maria and Sofia; her → their)
10. **The pencils broke their tips.**
(one of the pencils → pencils; its → their)

Teacher Notes

- This activity forces students to **think about how both sides of the equation (antecedent + pronoun) must change together.**
- Common pitfall: Students may change the antecedent but forget to switch the pronoun (e.g., *students...his homework*). Encourage them to check agreement carefully.
- Extension: Have students **swap sentences with a partner** and challenge each other to rewrite with different antecedents.