Grammar & ESL: Verbs and Verb Agreement

The verb agrees with the number of the pronoun (singular or plural).

First and second person singular and plural take the same ending (no -s).

- I study
- You study.
- He studies / She studies
- We study
- You (pl.) study
- They study

The third person singular (He, She, or It) The third person plural takes a takes a singular verb (with an -s).

- A baby cries.
- He loses.
- His brother plays baseball.

plural verb (no -s).

- Babies cry.
- They lose.
- His brothers play baseball.

Verb (with -"ing") + Auxiliary Verb ("To Be")

•	I am		studying.
•	You are	е	studying.
•	He is / She is		studying.
•	We are		studying.
•	You (pl.) are		studying.
•	They are		studying.
	0	Incorrect: They studying.	
	0	Correct: They study.	
	 Also correct: They are studying. 		

Verb + Infinitive Verb ("To verb")

•	I want	to eat.
•	You want	to eat.
•	She / He wants	to eat.
•	We want	to eat.
•	You (pl.) want	to eat.
•	They want	to eat.