

PASSIVE SENTENCES – MS SAM

A The words and phrases in bold in each sentence are wrong. Write the correct word or phrase.

- 1 Every year, several prizes are **giving** to the best students.
- 2 When the pizza was **delivering**, it was cold.
- 3 You will be **telling** when you can come in.
- 4 That song **doesn't** played on the radio very often, is it?
- 5 **Your money was stealing** out of your bag?
- 6 We **haven't** allowed to use a dictionary in the exam yesterday.
- 7 That film won't **have** shown in our local cinema for a long time.
- 8 **I will be** picked up from the station on Saturday?

B Complete using the correct passive form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 When people (arrest), they (take) to the police station.
- 2 Milk (usually / keep) in the fridge.
- 3 (we / tell) what's in next week's test?
- 4 How did people communicate over long distances before the phone (invent)?
- 5 (you / allow) to come to the party next Saturday?
- 6 You (give) your exam results next Monday.
- 7 (Aidan's bike / find) yesterday?

C Look at the pictures and complete the sentences. Use the correct passive form of the verbs in the box. Add any other words you need.

call • catch • find • investigate • rob • send



- 1 At ten o'clock yesterday morning, the local bank in the high street
- 2 At one minute past ten, the police
- 3 A few minutes later, the police arrived at the bank. The crime scene
- 4 At twenty past ten, the robbers' fingerprints
- 5 At half past eleven, the robbers

D Answer the questions using your own ideas.

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| 1 Where are cars usually fixed?
They | 4 What are you not allowed to do at school?
I |
| 2 Where will the next Olympic Games be held?
They | 5 What were you given for your birthday last year?
I |
| 3 Who are Oscars usually awarded to?
They | 6 What will you be given for your next birthday?
I'll probably |

E Complete each second sentence using the word given, so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence. Write between two and five words.

- 1 Will they send the letters first class? **sent**
Will first class?
- 2 I'm not sure if they eat pizza in China. **is**
I'm not sure if in China.
- 3 Someone told me that they don't make cars in the UK anymore. **made**
Someone told me that in the UK anymore.
- 4 Do they usually feed the animals three times a day? **fed**
Are three times a day?
- 5 Mr Jones is ill, so he won't give us a geography test today! **be**
Mr Jones is ill, so a geography test today!
- 6 Did they take her to hospital in an ambulance? **she**
Was to hospital in an ambulance?

F Write one word in each gap.

The National Trust

There are lots of beautiful, large houses in Britain. Many of them (1) built hundreds of years ago. In the past, they (2) owned by very rich families. Today, many of them (3) owned by an organisation called The National Trust, which (4) created to look after them. The houses (5) kept in perfect condition, and visitors (6) allowed to look round them. It's interesting to learn how different life was in an old house. Milk was (7) kept in the fridge, because they didn't have fridges! Washing machines (8) only invented very recently, so washing (9) done by hand. In some cases, the house (10) still lived in today. When this happens, visitors (11) only shown part of the house. The private rooms (12) kept closed to the public. These houses often have beautiful gardens, too. The gardens (13) looked after by professional gardeners.

You usually have to pay to look round National Trust houses. Members of the National Trust (14) given a discount. This year, millions of people (15) be given the chance to see what life in an old country house was like.

- A** Look at the picture and match to make sentences.



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| 1 The carnival lorry is | | A been given a banana by the pirate. |
| 2 The lorry has | | B going to be given a balloon by the astronaut. |
| 3 The gorilla has | | C be sung by the cowboy. |
| 4 Everyone watching is | | D being driven by a clown. |
| 5 The best song might | | E been bought from a fancy-dress shop? |
| 6 Have the costumes | | F been decorated with lots of flowers. |

- B** Look at the picture again and circle the correct word.

- 1 The balloons had all been **blowing** / **blown** up before the carnival started.
- 2 The bananas **haven't** / **aren't** all been eaten yet.
- 3 The lorry isn't **been** / **being** driven by the gorilla.
- 4 A young boy **was** / **has** just taken a balloon from the astronaut.
- 5 A prize is going to **have** / **be** given to the person in the best fancy dress.
- 6 The prize might not be **awarding** / **awarded** to the clown.
- 7 **Has** / **Is** the lorry been decorated well?
- 8 Can songs be sung **by** / **with** people in the crowd, too?

- C** Complete using *by* or *with*.

- 1 That book was written my uncle!
- 2 Are the best photos usually taken digital cameras?
- 3 That song has been sung lots of famous singers.
- 4 Is your hair cut a professional hairdresser?
- 5 Should the paper be cut a pair of scissors?
- 6 All the candles had been lit the same match.
- 7 The film isn't going to be directed Steven Spielberg after all.