

Passive Voice Practice

Complete the second sentence with the correct form of the passive. Use *by* where necessary.

1 Charles Dickens wrote *Oliver Twist*.

Oliver Twist

2 Vandals have damaged the petrol station.

The petrol station

3 They will add four more carriages to the train at the next station.

Four more carriages

4 Someone had left the bag at baggage reclaim.

The bag

5 Low-cost airlines sell many cheap flights.

Many cheap flights

6 They are repairing the tracks so there aren't any trains.

The tracks

Complete the article with the correct passive form of the verbs in brackets.

PHONES past and future

The first mobile phone call in the UK 1..... (make) on 1 January 1985, nearly twelve years after the first mobile phone 2..... (demonstrate) in New York by Martin Cooper. Since then, a lot of money 3..... (invest) in developing the mobile phone industry and thousands of different models 4..... (produce).

Text messaging became popular in the 1990s, and today millions of text messages 5..... (send) each day. The first Internet service for mobile phones 6..... (introduce) in Japan in 1999. Today, the Internet 7..... (use) on smart phones, by all kinds of people, from company directors to students.

Technology is advancing rapidly and new processes 8..... (discover) almost daily. Many people think that computers 9..... (replace) by mobile phones in the future.