



I can use verbs in the Passive.

1 ● Complete the table. Which four verbs are regular?

Verb	Past Simple	Past Participle
ask	asked	¹ asked
catch	² _____	caught
chase	chased	³ _____
hide	⁴ _____	hidden
know	knew	⁵ _____
make	⁶ _____	made
read	read	⁷ _____
see	⁸ _____	seen
sell	sold	⁹ _____
use	¹⁰ _____	used
watch	watched	¹¹ _____
write	¹² _____	written

2 ● Choose the correct option.

- The two robbers *was* / **were** caught as they were leaving the bank.
- A lot of science *is* / *are* used to solve crimes nowadays.
- A secret microphone *was* / *were* hidden under her clothes.
- Sometimes ordinary people *is* / *are* asked to help the police with information.
- CCTV cameras *isn't* / *aren't* used in the shopping centre.
- The thieves *wasn't* / *weren't* seen by anyone.

3 ● Order the words to make sentences.

- my / stolen / purse / pickpocket / was / a / by
My purse was stolen by a pickpocket.
- every year / a lot of / mobile phones / stolen / are

- asked / she / a lot of questions / the police / by / was

- some / reported / aren't / to / the police / crimes

- your / car / when / stolen / was / ?

- CCTV cameras / are / here / used / ?

4 ● Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first sentence. Use no more than three words.

- They hid the paintings in the back of their van. The paintings **were hidden in** the back of their van.
- People don't use guns in many robberies. Guns _____ in many robberies.
- A shop assistant caught the shoplifter. The shoplifter _____ a shop assistant.
- Millions of people watch crime dramas on TV. Crime dramas _____ millions of people on TV.
- Did they send the thief to prison? Was _____ to prison?
- People steal a lot of jewellery from this shop. A lot of jewellery _____ this shop.
- They didn't find the missing money. The missing money _____.
- Do they send children to prison there? _____ to prison there?

5 ● Complete the article with the correct passive form of the verbs below.

announce create help know
make publish solve watch



The Belgian detective

The character of the Belgian detective Hercule Poirot ¹**was** **created** by the writer Agatha Christie in the 1920s. Between 1920 and 1975 over 800 Poirot novels and short stories ²_____. In the stories, Poirot sometimes works alone, but usually he ³_____ by his assistant, Captain Hastings. Poirot always dresses smartly and he ⁴_____ for his neat moustache and his polite manners. He is very intelligent and believes that all crimes ⁵_____ by using the 'little grey cells' in your brain.

A lot of the Poirot stories ⁶_____ into popular films in the 1970s, and even today stories about Poirot ⁷_____ by millions of people each year on TV. When, finally, Poirot's death ⁸_____ in a 1975 novel, an article about his life appeared in the newspaper *The Times*, as if he had been a real person!