

The passive

1 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the passive. Omit the agent where appropriate.

His mom washes his basketball uniform after each game.

His basketball uniform is washed (by his mom) after each game.

1 I designed my dress.

My dress _____.

2 People say that cotton is a cool material to wear in the summer.

Cotton _____.

3 The button fell off my suit, so someone is fixing it right now.

The button fell off my suit, so _____.

4 They will give a present to everyone at the party.

Everyone _____.

5 The store sent my new shoes to my home address.

My new shoes _____.

2 Complete the text with the correct passive form of the verbs in the box.

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The fashion designer Stella McCartney was born in 1971. Her dad is Paul McCartney and, like him, she supports animal rights and ¹_____ for her use of vegetarian and vegan alternatives in her clothing collections.

She ²_____ by designer Christian Lacroix at a young age and then studied fashion at college. Her graduation collection ³_____ by friends and supermodels including Naomi Campbell.

In 2010, it ⁴_____ that she design Great Britain's Olympic kit—it was the first time a leading fashion designer ⁵_____ to design the clothes.

McCartney ⁶_____ awards for her work with charity and for fashion.

have / get something done

3 Complete the mini-dialogues with have / get something done.

A Did you buy this skirt online?

B No, I had it made (make) by a woman in town.

1 A Why don't you _____ a tattoo _____ (do)?

B I don't think so. I wouldn't be able to _____ it _____ (remove) if I didn't like it.

2 A _____ you _____ your hair _____ (do)?

B Yes, I _____ it _____ (dye).

3 A Will you _____ that suit _____ (clean) professionally?

B Yes, I'm _____ it _____ (repair), too. The sleeve is ripped.

4 A Tia has just _____ her ears _____ (pierce).

B Really? Did she _____ them _____ (do) at Beauty First?

5 A You should _____ that button _____ (sew) on before you wear it.

B I know—I'll do it next week.

6 A How often do you _____ your photo _____ (take) at school?

B Every year. In fact, we're _____ our photo _____ (take) today.

4 Complete the sentences with your own ideas.

I went to the hairdresser to get my hair cut.

1 I visited the dentist _____.

2 I went to the photographer _____.

3 I took my bike to the repair shop _____.

4 We called the plumber _____.

5 They spoke to the builder _____.

6 He went to the car wash _____.