PASSIVE VOICE

Name: _____

1 Complete the sentences. Use the correct passive form of the verbs in brackets.

1 The Man Booker Prize for fiction _____ (award) every year.
2 Over six million e-book readers _____ (sell) in 2010.
3 A rare Shakespeare manuscript _____ (find) in an attic in London a few years ago.
4 Paper _____ (make) from wood.
5 Ink _____ (use) in China in 256 BC. That's over 2,000 years ago!

Mark __/5

2 Complete the text. Use the present passive form of the verbs in brackets.

There are many stages before a story [1]_____ (publish) in a magazine. First it [2]_____ (research), and sometimes people [3]_____ (interview) by journalists. Then the story [4]_____ (write). The editor checks all the facts. The story [5]_____ (correct) and photos [6]_____ (take) to illustrate it. Finally, the whole magazine [7]_____ (print) and people can buy it.

Mark: ___ /7

3 Complete the sentences. Use the past simple, present perfect or future passive form of the verbs in brackets.

1 The winning film at the festival last year _____ (direct) by James Cameron.
2 The results _____ (not send) to the students' homes yet.
3 The book _____ (publish) by Oxford University Press next month.
4 We _____ (invite) to Tom and Gina's wedding next April. I'm very excited!
5 The students _____ (tell) to read the book last week.
6 Thousands of copies of his biography _____ (sell) when it comes out next month.
7 They _____ (not give) the correct time for the meeting, so they arrived late.

Mark: ___ /7

4 Rewrite the sentences in the passive. Use *by* only where necessary.

1 Teachers usually ask us to arrive ten minutes before an exam.

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2 Charles Dickens wrote *David Copperfield*.

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3 They have seen the stolen car in the area.

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4 An accident has delayed the bus.

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5 They built the motorway to make journeys to London shorter.

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6 They will film the TV series in Liverpool.

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Mark: ___ /6

5 Rewrite the sentences in Passive Voice.

1. He has bought a new car.

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2. We are playing volley-ball now.

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3. Our teacher explained the rule.

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4. She translates the texts every day.

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5. She is watching a comedy film now.

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6. He put the candle on the table.

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7. Pam has bought a new ring recently.

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8. He will correct the mistakes.

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9. I have got a beautiful present.

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10. The cat dropped the vase yesterday.

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11. I am playing the piano now.

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12. He has turned off the TV set.

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13. We receive e-mails every day.

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14. Nick is eating an ice-cream now.

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15. She will lend money to her friend.

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Mark: ___ /15

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