FURTHER PRACTICE

Unit 8.1 SUCCESS STORIES IN BUSINESS

1. Read this profile about Martin Reed's career below. Complete the following sentences, using the time expression in the box.

in January 2004	last year	from 1997 to 2000
eight years ago	After that	the following year

My name is Martin. I studied at Oxford University [1].....
Then I applied for jobs abroad and I worked in Hong Kong. [2]..... I came to Japan. I worked for a big company [3] ....I still love Japan now and I'll never go back to the UK. When I was here [4] ....., I did a number of different jobs, too. First I sold computer software in Hong Kong. [5] ..... I taught English for my first year in Japan. [6] ..... I founded my own training company. It is very successful now.

2. Look at these sentences from an article on the inventor of the World Wide Web. Which use passives?

1. The inventor of the World Wide Web, Tim Berners-Lee, won a prestigious award.
2. The 'Father of the Web' was named as the first winner of the Millennium Technology Prize.
3. The British scientist was knighted for his pioneering work in 2003.
4. In the early 1990s, his computer code was called 'the World Wide Web'.
5. Just under 80 people from 22 countries were nominated for the prize.
6. The Millennium Technology Prize was set up by the Finnish Technology Award Foundation.
7. He founded the World Wide Web Consortium at MIT in 1994.
8. He was born in London in 1955.

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4. Make past passive sentences using the verbs in brackets, as in the example.

1) Electricity (discover) in the 1880s.

   → Electricity was discovered in the 1880s.

2) H.R.Royce (found) in 1884.

   → .....

3) Rolls and Royce (be born) in the nineteenth century.

   → .....

4) The dynamos (sell) to factories and cotton mills.

   → .....

5) Rolls Royce (create) in 1994.

   → .....

6) The RR Silver Shadow (produce) in 1906.

   → .....

7) A new world record (set) in 1903.

   → .....

8) Rolls (kill) in a flying accident.

   → .....

5. Make questions for these answers. Use the passive form, as in the example.

1) When was Charles Rolls born?

   He was born in 1987.

2) Where .....?

   He was born in Peterborough.

3) When .....?

   He was made redundant in 1884.

4) What year .....?

   Bentley was acquired in 1931.

5) How .....?

   He was killed in a flying accident.

6) When .....?

   It was produced in 1906.

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