

Grammar

1 Choose the correct words.

- 0 These photos **were taken** / **was taken** in London.
1 The bridge **were built** / **was built** in 2004.
2 Was this picture **painted** / **paint** by a famous artist?
3 The Pyramids were built **by** / **from** the ancient Egyptians.
4 These computers **are made** / **are making** in China.
5 **Is this gadget** / **This gadget is** used for taking photos?
6 Mobile phones **aren't** / **weren't** used by many people fifteen years ago.
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2 Put the verbs into the passive to complete the text.

Hi Amy,

Thanks for your email. I just got back from my trip to Egypt yesterday. I'll tell you all about it.

I can't believe how many things in Egypt (0) **were built** (**build**) so long ago. The pyramids for example, (1) _____ (**create**) almost 5,000 years ago. The biggest one (2) _____ (**call**) the Great Pyramid. It's the most famous one and I'm sure you've seen it in pictures. Over 2 million pieces of stone (3) _____ (**use**) to make it. The Egyptians began building it in 2560 BC and scientists say 20 years passed before it (4) _____ (**finish**). It (5) _____ (**believe**) to be the resting place for an old king of Egypt. Amazing isn't it?

I also visited the Egyptian Museum in Cairo. This is where many things from ancient Egypt (6) _____ (**keep**). I saw some items that (7) _____ (**wear**) by King Tut, the most famous king of Egypt. I read that they (8) _____ (**find**) in 1920 by British scientists. The museum building is amazing too. It (9) _____ (**open**) in 1902. It's really beautiful.

I'm sending you a photo with this email. It (10) _____ (**take**) in front of one of the pyramids. Hope you like it!

Bye for now!
George

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3 Complete the text with one word in each gap.

Digital cameras have (0) **been** a part of people's lives for the last 15 years. They (1) _____ used for different reasons – for taking holiday photos and videos and often for work. They were first designed (2) _____ the 1970s. The first real digital camera (3) _____ created in 1975. The camera was very heavy and it took 23 seconds to take a photo. The camera was made (4) _____ a man named Steven Sasson. He (5) _____ now known as the inventor of the digital camera.

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4 Read the article and decide which answer (a, b or c) best fits each gap.

Today, Rome (0) c thought of as one of the most beautiful cities in the world. It is also one of the oldest. Stories say that it (1) _____ by two brothers named Romulus and Remus in 753 BC. These stories however, may not be true. It is true that it became a very important place many years after it was (2) _____.

Old Rome did not have any of the things which can be (3) _____ there today, such as art galleries or fine cafés. There were many artists in old Rome though. They (4) _____ pictures inside the homes of rich people – often on the walls. They did have police stations in Rome. However, the police of old Rome (5) _____ by the name of 'police' back then. They were known as 'Roman guards'. Shopping (6) _____ in the small shops that were around the town and it was a lot like what we see today. Some areas of Rome had many shops in one place and both cheap and expensive items (7) _____ in the shops.

Today, many people come to see the buildings of old Rome. The largest one, the Colosseum, (8) _____ 4 million people each year. That's more visitors than the people who live there!

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