

2 Read about the inventor, Trevor Baylis. Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tense, active or passive.

# Trevor Baylis

## Inventor of the clockwork radio



Trevor Baylis <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (grow up) in London. He <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (educate) at a local school and then <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (study) engineering at a technical college in the city.

He is best-known for the invention of the world's first clockwork radio, in 1991. He wanted to produce a radio that could <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (use) by people in parts of Africa where there wasn't any electricity to get information about health and AIDS.

No manufacturer wanted to produce his early attempts, but then, in 1994, his radio <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (show) on a TV programme. A South African businessman <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (invest) money in the project, and the first clockwork radios, called *Freeplay*, <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (manufacture) in South Africa in 1995. Since then the radios have been a great success, and millions <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (sell) around the world.

Over the years Trevor Baylis <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (give) many awards for his invention. He continues to work hard. In 2003, he <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (start) a company which aims to help new inventors get financial backing. The company <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (base) in Richmond, London, where the famous inventor lives.