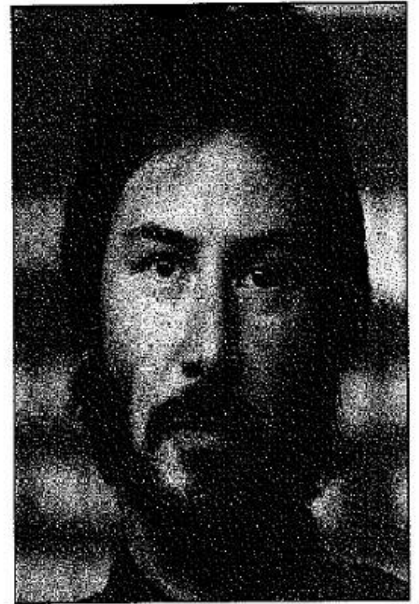


9a The telephone was invented.

Grammar: The passive: present simple, past simple, present perfect, past perfect

1  Choose the active or passive form.

Some stars **like** / **are liked** the paparazzi because they make them feel important. Their photographs **publish** / **are published** in many magazines and newspapers all over the world. Photographers **often pay** / **are often paid** thousands of pounds by these magazines and newspapers. However, celebrities sometimes get so angry with the paparazzi that they **attack** / **are attacked** them. Recently, one photographer **claimed** / **was claimed** that Keanu Reeves had attacked him. He said that he **had hurt** / **had been hurt** and couldn't work. Keanu Reeves **didn't believe** / **wasn't believed** him and wanted to show that the photographer was lying. So, the photographer **filmed** / **was filmed** secretly by a private detective. The photographer was working and he was still taking photographs. There was nothing wrong with him! In the end, Keanu was right after all.



2  **Change the active sentences into the passive. Use *by* + agent where necessary.**

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| <p>1 My friend wrote this article.
<u>This article was written by my friend.</u></p> <p>2 Millions of viewers watched the new reality TV programme.
_____</p> <p>3 Photographers photographed Brad Pitt as he left the restaurant.
_____</p> | <p>4 My friends didn't tell me about the party.
_____</p> <p>5 Our teacher has given us lots of homework this week.
_____</p> <p>6 Jack Stevens from Class 5 wrote the graffiti on the school wall.
_____</p> |
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3  **Complete the text with the correct passive form of the verbs in brackets.**

Where does the word 'paparazzi' come from? What does it mean? It ¹ was first used (use) in 1960 in an Italian film. The film ² _____ (call) *La Dolce Vita*. One of the characters in the film was a photographer and the character ³ _____ (give) the name Paparazzo by the director Federico Fellini. In Italian, this means an annoying noise. It is the sound that ⁴ _____ (make) by a mosquito. Fellini ⁵ _____ (ask) in an interview why he chose that name and he said that he had gone to school with a boy who ⁶ _____ (give) the nickname Paparazzo by his friends. However, Fellini may have got the idea from somewhere else. Ennio Flaiano, who worked with Fellini, said that they had found the name in a book which ⁷ _____ (write) long before Fellini's film. It's not really important where the idea came from. Since *La Dolce Vita* ⁸ _____ first _____ (show) in 1960, the word paparazzo ⁹ _____ (use) all over the world to describe news photographers.

