

The Passive

I. Complete the sentences and questions with the present simple passive form of the verbs in the box.

keep make grow not play not sell record not celebrate store

1. A lot of films _____ at Pinewood Studios in Britain.

2. Baseball _____ much in Britain.

3. Thanksgiving Day _____ in Britain.

4. Thousands of songs _____ on my mp3 player.

5. Pineapples _____ in Brazil.



6. Milk and cheese _____ in the fridge.

7. How many songs _____ every day?

8. This brand of jeans _____ in this shop.



II. Complete the text with the correct past passive form of the verbs in brackets.

Gorillaz is a 'virtual' internet band. They ⁽¹⁾ _____ (create) in 1998 by Damon Albarn of the British band Blur. The illustrations ⁽²⁾ _____ (draw) by Jamie Hewlett, the artist who created Tank Girl. The band ⁽³⁾ _____ (make) of four animated characters. Their first album, *Gorillaz*, ⁽⁴⁾ _____ (release) in March 2001. The album ⁽⁴⁾ _____ (accompany) by a short animated film. Ten million copies of the album ⁽⁶⁾ _____ (sell) all over the world.

III. Rewrite the sentences below in the passive.

A) Present

1. They make 500 pairs of shoes in one day. _____

2. People play football in most countries. _____

3. People speak more than a thousand languages and dialects in India.

4. He always takes the photos in the studio. _____



B) Past

5. They didn't collect homework last class. _____

6. The Thompsons built this house in 1898. _____

7. The children broke all the windows of the neighbours' house.



8. Elton John first recorded 'Candle in the Wind' in 1973.

IV. Write active or passive sentences. Include by if necessary.

CDs / not sell / before the 1980s CDs weren't sold before the 1980s.

The Beatles / record / Sergeant Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band / in 1967 The Beatles record Sergeant Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band in 1967.

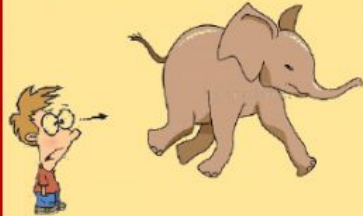
1. The phonograph / invent / Thomas Edison _____

2. We / not look at / YouTube every day _____

3. The Hobbit / film / in New Zealand _____

4. The 2014 World Cup Final / watch / around one billion people

5. An elephant / escape / from the City Zoo / late last night.



6. The elephant / see / in the park / this morning.



Tense revision

V. Complete the text with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

1. Peter is upstairs. He _____ (chat) to his friends online.

2. She _____ (go) to a music festival last summer.

3. Do you think you _____ (stay) in the city after university?

4. I _____ (play) the guitar. It's my hobby.

5. They _____ (have) lunch in town tomorrow.

6. Carla _____ (cook) when I called around at her house.

7. Ben _____ (live) in Madrid since 2012.

8. If she has a hit, she _____ (be) rich.



VI. Click in the box next to the correct words to complete the text.

THE KING

For his eleventh birthday Elvis Presley ⁽¹⁾ **gave/** **was given** a guitar which cost \$7.75. The guitar ⁽²⁾ **bought/** **was bought** at the Tupelo Hardware Company, which ⁽³⁾ **exists/** **existed** today. Elvis fans often ⁽⁴⁾ **go/** **went** there to read a famous letter. It ⁽⁵⁾ **wrote/** **was written** by Forest L Bobbo, who sold the guitar to Elvis. If you ⁽⁶⁾ **will go/** **go** to the shop one day, you will see the letter. According to the letter, Elvis wanted to buy a gun! Luckily, he ⁽⁷⁾ **didn't have/** **hasn't** enough money, so he got the guitar. When he was 13, the Presley family moved to Memphis. While the family ⁽⁸⁾ **was living/** **are living** there, Elvis was influenced by blues and gospel music. At 14, he played his guitar in a high school concert, and the girls ⁽⁹⁾ **are going/** **went** crazy. Elvis left school at 18 and got a job. While he ⁽¹⁰⁾ **was working/** **worked** as a driver, he recorded *That's All Right Mama*. It ⁽¹¹⁾ **played/** **was played** on the radio and became a massive hit. That song put Elvis on the road to fame. Today, he ⁽¹²⁾ **calls/** **is called** 'The King of Rock and Roll' by his fans, or just 'The King'.

