(22) GOODBYE STORES, HELLO STREAMING!

ACTIVITY 1: Read the text and answer.

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Before people could get music online, it was recorded onto vinyl records – later cassettes – and finally onto compact discs. These were sold in record stores, where choice was limited and you often couldn't listen to the music before you bought it.

Music is now sold less and less in stores. Vinyl records and CDs are still produced, but they are mainly bought by DJs, collectors, or enthusiasts. There are almost no record stores left. Now that everyone is connected to the internet, most music is streamed to digital devices.

Streaming and downloads radically changed our other entertainment habits, too. Movies, games, and books also used to be sold in stores. If the store didn't have what you wanted, you had to order it and wait. People proudly kept their collections of books, movies, and music where others could see them.

Nowadays, all our entertainment is available on demand. TV shows, movies, music, and games are consumed immediately; and books are downloaded in an instant. Everyone can have everything and there's no need to wait. But maybe it was nice to visit the stores and to own and hold those objects. What do you think?



1. What things and places in the article can you see in the pictures?

2. Why aren't these things and places popular any more?

3. Do you think stores will stop selling records, videos, games, and books? Why? / Why not?

ACTIVITY 2: Look at the highlighted examples in the text and answer questions 1 -3.

1. Which examples focus on the person or thing that does the action?

2. In which examples do we not know who or what does the action?

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3. In which examples do we want to focus on the action or its subject?

ACTIVITY 3: Complete the **passive sentences**. Add *by* where necessary.

1. Someone invented the typewriter in the 19th century.
   The typewriter _____ in the 19th century.

2. They transport the products by ship.
   The products _____ ship.

3. People have found gold in South Africa, China, Russia, Canada, the U.S., Peru and Australia.
   Gold _____ in South Africa, China, Russia, Canada, The U.S., Peru and Australia

4. Did they open the new factory? Yes, they did.
   _____ the new factory _____? Yes, it _____.

5. Wilhelm Roentgen discovered X-rays in 1895.
   x-rays _____ Wilhelm Roentgen in 1895.

6. Do people make these in China? No, they don't.
   _____these _____ in China? No, they _____.

7. People didn't understand electricity 500 years ago.
   Electricity _____ 500 years ago.

8. They don't teach baseball at this school.
   Baseball _____ at this school.

9. When did he send the email?
   When _____?

10. Nobody has bought the paintings yet.
    The paintings _____ yet.

11. They used to record music onto discs.
    Music _____ onto discs.

12. The team is developing software.
    Software _____ the team.

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