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With verbs taking two objects it is more usual to begin the passive sentence with the person.
I sent **her** some roses. **She** was sent some roses. (more usual) or
Some roses were sent to her. (less usual)

11 Turn from *active* into *passive* as in the example:

1 He gave me a present.
I was given a present.
A present was given to me.

2 The waiter will bring us the bill.
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3 The Queen presented him with a medal.
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4 Amy showed me some photos.
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5 Jill sent Juan a letter.
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6 Her mother bought Olga some sweets.
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7 Bob has sold Ted a second-hand car.
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8 Larry is going to send a letter to Tom.
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12 Rewrite the newspaper headlines as complete sentences.



1 *The footballer has been offered a million pounds for the transfer.*
2 .....
3 .....
4 .....
5 .....
6 .....
7 .....
8 .....
9 .....

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13 **Rewrite the following passage in the *passive*.**

Our school is organising a Science Fair. The headmaster will choose the best project. The teachers have asked students to do something about the environment. Students should include interesting experiments in their projects. The school will give the winners a set of Science books.



A Science Fair is being organised by the teachers of our school.

14 **A reporter is talking to Lucy Fame. Complete the interview.**



Rep: It's wonderful to interview such a famous person as you.
Lucy: Yes, you are very lucky!
Rep: I know that you 1) ....have been interviewed.... **(interview)** many times before.
Lucy: Yes, I have.
Rep: Also, I know that three books 2) .... **(already/write)** about you.
Lucy: Yes, they have – and another one 3) .... **(write)** at the moment.
Rep: A film 4) ..... **(make)** about your life two years ago, wasn't it?
Lucy: Yes, it was a brilliant film! The leading role 5) ..... **(play)** by a beautiful young actress.
Rep: 6) ..... any more films ..... **(make)** in the future?
Lucy: Oh yes, of course!
Rep: Where do you buy your clothes from, Lucy?
Lucy: I don't buy them! They 7) ..... **(design)** especially for me.
Rep: And what about your fabulous house?
Lucy: It 8) ..... **(build)** five years ago by an Italian architect.
Rep: You must make a lot of money.
Lucy: I make lots of money and everybody loves me. Flowers 9) ..... **(send)** to my house every day.
Rep: Not by me, that's for certain!

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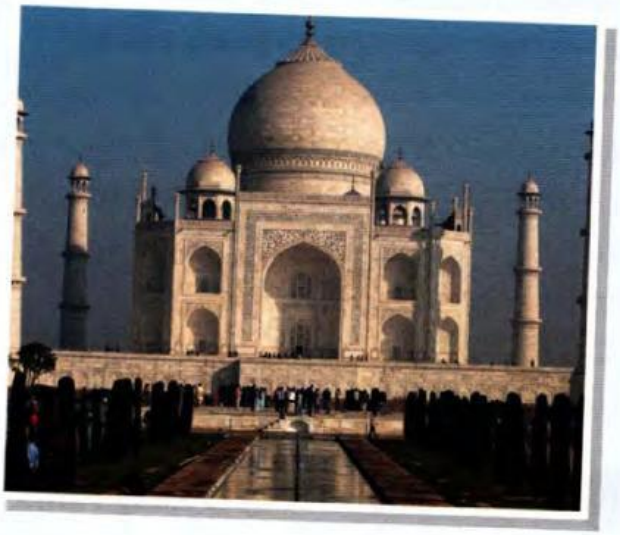


Speaking Activity

(Talking about monuments)

In pairs use the information and the notes below to ask and answer questions as in the example:

- **where / located**
- **what / made of**
- **when / completed**
- **who / designed by**
- **why / built**



Name: the Taj Mahal
Located: in Agra, in the northern state of Uttar Pradesh, in India
Made of: white marble
Designed by: Ustad Ahmad Lahani
Completed: in 1653
Reason built: in memory of Emperor Shah Jahan's favourite wife, Mumtaz Mahal

A: Where is the Taj Mahal located?
B: It is located in Agra, in the northern state of Uttar Pradesh, in India, etc.



Writing Activity

Use the information about the Taj Mahal from the Speaking Activity and write a short paragraph about it.

The Taj Mahal is located in Agra, in the northern state of Uttar Pradesh, in India. It ....

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