

The **Past Simple Passive** is formed with **was/were + 3rd form of the verb**.

*The bridge **was opened** in 2000.*

*The place **was visited** by 2000 tourists last week.*

*These buildings **were designed** by a famous architect.*

*The Members of Parliament **were elected** four years ago.*

| Questions                                                          | Short Answers                                                             |
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| <b>Was</b> the Globe Theatre <b>made</b> of wood?                  | <b>Yes</b> , it <b>was</b> .                                              |
| <b>Were</b> London's skyscrapers <b>designed</b> by Norman Foster? | <b>No</b> , they <b>weren't</b> . (Only the Gherkin was designed by him.) |

**Put the verbs in brackets into the Past Simple Passive form.**

1. The London Eye is in London, of course, and it  (*design*) by British architects.

2. The main parts of the Eye  (*build*) in Holland.

3. The other parts  (*make*) in the Czech Republic, France, Germany and Italy.

4. The parts  (*carry*) to Great Britain by ship.

5. Then they  (*put*) together in London.

6. It  (*open*) to the public on 1st February, 2000.

**b)** The Millennium Bridge is a bridge across the River Thames in London. It

(*open*) in 2000 by the Queen. However, it  (*close*) again two days later because it wobbled too much! Two years later, on 22nd

February, it  (*open*) again. Now it is used by thousands of people every day.