3. Say which action happened first, then join the sentences using the words in brackets as in the example.

1) He saved a lot of money. Then, he bought a car. (when)
When he had saved a lot of money, he bought a car.
2) She hung out the washing. Then, it began to rain. (after)
3) Fiona tidied the house. Then, the children arrived home. (by the time)
4) The guests left. Then, she started cleaning. (when)
5) The girls put on their uniforms. Then, they went to school. (before)
6) The meeting started. Then, the lights went out. (already...when)

Active or passive: introduction

The active voice is used when we are interested in the agent (the person or thing who does the action).

Sarah Burton designed this dress.

The passive voice emphasizes the action itself. The action is more important than the person who does the action.

These jeans weren't manufactured in Japan.

If we want to ask about or say who does the action, we use *by*.

The first collection was designed by Ralph Lauren.
Who are these clothes made by?

When a sentence is changed from active to passive, the object of the active sentence becomes the subject of the passive sentence.

People make these trainers in China. → These trainers are made in China.
They invited Kate to Fashion Week. → Kate was invited to Fashion Week.

How do you form the present passive? _____

And the past passive? _____

And the future passive? _____

Write passive sentences using the tense in brackets.

1 The film / direct / Jan Dekker (present simple)
The film is directed by Jan Dekker.

2 It / show / in cinemas next year (future, *will*)
_____

3 It rained all the time the film / make / on location (past continuous)
_____

4 The extras / send to / the wrong place (present perfect)
_____

5 Auditions / hold / all day (present continuous)
_____

6 The film / dub / into other languages (future, *going to*)
_____

7 The film / make / in France (past simple)
_____

8 It / base / on a book (present simple)

b Circle the correct form, active or passive.

New Films

Active Service

Active Service is a new film which [1] directed / is directed by Simon Carter. It [2] shot / was shot on location in France and it [3] tells / is told the story of two people during World War II and how their lives [4] change / are changed by the tragic events around them. Miriam Leigh [5] plays / is played the part of Françoise, the young mother and the part of Jean, the resistance fighter, [6] plays / is played by Ralph Neville.

The film [7] starts / is started in 1940 when France [8] occupied / was occupied by the Germans and [9] ends / is ended in 1944 with the liberation of the country by the Allies. The film [10] has based / has been based largely on the novel by Rupert Harvey.

The superb soundtrack [11] composed / was composed by Ian Williams who also [12] wrote / was written the soundtrack for last year's *No Return* which [13] nominated / was nominated for an Oscar.

This film [14] can see / can be seen at cinemas all over the country from Saturday and it [15] shouldn't miss / shouldn't be missed.

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