

CAMBRIDGE GRAMMAR & VOCABULARY FOR FCE

PASSIVE VOICE: 7A

Read the theory and solve the activities.

1 Complete the sentences. Use the correct passive form of the verbs in brackets.

- 0 The police report that the missing person has already been found. (already / find).
- 1 The news (broadcast) at six o'clock every day.
- 2 At the moment, the suspect (interview) by the police.
- 3 The cinema (close down) four years ago.
- 4 A new security system (install) in all our offices in the next few weeks.
- 5 A new government (elect) by the end of next month.
- 6 There must be a mistake – the hotel bill (already / pay) by my wife.
- 7 When we got home, we realised that the house (burgle).
- 8 The second bomb went off while the building (evacuate).
- 9 The government says tax reforms (introduce) next year.
- 10 In some countries, newspapers (sell) in kiosks as well as supermarkets.

2 Rewrite the sentences in the passive.

- 0 We do not add preservatives to our products.
Preservatives are not added to our products.
- 1 They are building a new school in West Street.
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- 2 They have just arrested him on suspicion of murder.
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- 3 They will publish her new book next month.
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- 4 They will have completed the new motorway by Christmas.
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- 5 They've just cleaned the hotel rooms.
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- 6 Someone stole her bike last night.
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- 7 They're going to repair the machine tomorrow.
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- 8 They were servicing her car when I called her.
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- 9 They had finished the project by Friday.
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- 10 They may invite him to the wedding.
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3 Complete the article. Use the correct passive form of the verbs in brackets.

Credit card fraud

A type of con trick which ⁽⁰⁾ is designed (design) to skim your credit card number, PIN and other information when you swipe has been growing in popularity. The con, which ⁽¹⁾ (know) as skimming, allows thieves to steal your information by the use of a device which ⁽²⁾ (insert) through the card slot of an ATM, allowing the data on your card to be read.

The latest European ATM Crime Report ⁽³⁾ (just / publish) and it shows a twenty-four percent increase in card skimming attacks at European ATMs in the last year. 5,743 attacks ⁽⁴⁾ (report) for the period January to June this year. This is the largest number of such attacks which ⁽⁵⁾ (record) in any six-month period so far. Already, millions of pounds ⁽⁶⁾ (lost) through skimming and more ⁽⁷⁾ (lose) if effective measures ⁽⁸⁾ (not take).

The theft of personal details ⁽⁹⁾ (may / avoid) by using secure ATMs or being very careful when you use an ATM. Anti-skimming measures ⁽¹⁰⁾ (already / install) at many European ATMs. Fortunately, in some countries, a drop in skimming attacks ⁽¹¹⁾ (report). Cardholders should know that even if their card details ⁽¹²⁾ (skim), they will not lose out. This is good news for members of the public.



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