

CAMBRIDGE GRAMMAR & VOCABULARY FOR FCE

PASSIVE VOICE: 7B

Read the theory and solve the activities.

1 Complete the sentences. Use *by* or *with*.

- 0 This church was designed *by*.... Christopher Wren.
- 1 The dog had been shot a hunter.
- 2 A decision to strike was taken some of the workers.
- 3 The poor man had been stabbed a penknife.
- 4 The candidates' essays will be marked Professor Richards.
- 5 The room was filled smoke.
- 6 I think all the pictures were taken a professional photographer.
- 7 The man was beaten a stick.
- 8 The walls were covered posters of her favourite singers.

2 Rewrite the sentences in the passive in two ways.

- 0 They sent him a letter.

He was sent a letter......

A letter was sent to him......

- 1 They gave each of the children a bottle of milk.

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- 2 They will pay the workers £50.

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- 3 They may offer her the job.

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- 4 They teach the students French.

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- 5 They showed us the sights.

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- 6 Someone's telling the children a story.

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- 7 Someone gave them a lot of money.

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- 8 They've just sent me an email.

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3 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using between two and five words. Do not change the word given.

0 Reports say that the plane has landed safely.

IS

It **is reported that** the plane has landed safely.

1 They say the country is on the verge of civil war.

SAID

The country on the verge of civil war.

2 People thought that the President was ill.

BE

The President ill.

3 The architect received £50,000 for his work.

WAS

£50,000 for his work.

4 People believe that he escaped.

HAVE

He is escaped.

5 They thought that he was the best actor for the part.

CONSIDERED

He the best actor for the part.

6 People thought she was very good at maths, but she failed her last test.

SUPPOSED

She very good at maths, but she failed her last test.

7 They decided to discuss the matter at the next meeting.

AGREED

It the matter would be discussed at the next meeting.

8 They showed the new science lab to the students.

WERE

The the new science lab.

9 Everything I know about art, I learnt from Mrs Robinson.

TAUGHT

I about art by Mrs Robinson.

10 They used a digital camera to take these photos.

WITH

These a digital camera.



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