

The passive (present simple and past simple)

1 Choose the correct present and past simple passive or active forms to complete the sentences below.

1. My dog _____ by a car. (hit)
2. A meteorite _____ over the North Pole. (see)
3. The room _____ every day. (clean)
4. A lot of guests _____ to a party. (invite)
5. The girls _____ the match. (lose)
6. Mayan _____ in many regions in Guatemala. (speak)
7. The organisers _____ the prize money between the two winners. (divide)
8. The match _____ by 4.1 million people. (watch)
9. Who _____ this novel? (write)
10. It's important that residents _____ the water for three minutes before drinking it. (boil)

2 Complete the sentences with the present simple passive form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 Millions of mobile phones _____ every year. (sell)
- 2 American football _____ very much in the UK. (not play)
- 3 _____ tablets _____ in your school? (use)
- 4 Most crimes _____ in big cities. (commit)

3 Make the active sentences passive. Include the word by.

- 1 Millions of people watched the 2014 World Cup Final on TV.
The 2014 World Cup Final was watched by millions of people on TV.
- 2 Alexander Fleming discovered penicillin.

- 3 Rafa Nadal didn't win the match.

- 4 Robots made that car.

- 5 Did Suzanne Collins write the *Hunger Games* books?
