

# The passive

Complete the passive sentences using the underlined parts of the text to help you.

## The History of Sunglasses

People have worn sunglasses since the 12<sup>th</sup> century or possibly earlier. People made the first sunglasses out of flat pieces of smoky quartz. They protected the eyes from bright lights but they didn't help people to see better or protect them from the sun. Judges in Chinese courts used these sunglasses to hide their expressions when they interviewed witnesses.

In the early 1900s, Hollywood film stars wore sunglasses but it wasn't until 1929, when Sam Foster introduced sunglasses to America that people made sunglasses in large quantities for the public. People used these sunglasses to protect their eyes from the sun's rays.

Traditionally people have made the frames of sunglasses out of plastic or metal but today people use other materials like bamboo or rosewood. What is certain is that sunglasses will always be considered fashionable.

- 1 Sunglasses \_\_\_\_\_ since the 12th century.
- 2 The first sunglasses \_\_\_\_\_ out of flat pieces of smoky quartz.
- 3 The eyes \_\_\_\_\_ from bright lights.
- 4 These sunglasses \_\_\_\_\_ Chinese judges to hide their expressions when interviewing witnesses.
- 5 Sunglasses \_\_\_\_\_ Hollywood film stars in the early 1900s.
- 6 It was only when they \_\_\_\_\_ Sam Foster in 1929 that ...
- 7 ... sunglasses \_\_\_\_\_ in large quantities for the public for the first time.
- 8 These sunglasses \_\_\_\_\_ to protect people's eyes from the sun's rays.
- 9 Traditionally, the frames \_\_\_\_\_ out of plastic or metal ...
- 10 ... but today other materials like bamboo or rosewood \_\_\_\_\_.

Complete the sentences with the correct alternative.

- 1 Each year Mary's school is organised /organises a show for the end of the year.
- 2 Students often act or sing and sometimes poems are reading /read.
- 3 Last year, the school was decided /decided to have a fashion show.
- 4 All the clothes were designed /designed by the students.
- 5 Tickets for the show were sold /sold by the students.
- 6 They were given /gave all the money to charity.
- 7 The event was attended /attended by over 200 people.
- 8 They made /were made over £3,000 for charity on the night.
- 9 Local journalists came to the show and wrote /were written several articles.
- 10 Two of the designers have /have been invited by a local company to make more clothes.

## Question tags

### 3 Match the first part of the question to the question tag.

- 1 You like wearing caps, a does it?
- 2 Don't forget to try on your new school uniform, b can you?
- 3 The colour of her sweatshirt doesn't suit her, c isn't it?
- 4 Let's try on some of these clothes, d don't you?
- 5 You don't like wearing jewellery, e shall we?
- 6 We don't need gloves today, f do we?
- 7 That is a lovely handbag, g will you?
- 8 You can't sew on a button, h do you?

### 4 Complete the questions with an appropriate question tag.

- 1 I've got my hands full. Open the door, \_\_\_\_\_?
- 2 That's not a Chanel dress, \_\_\_\_\_?
- 3 This is the current trend, \_\_\_\_\_?
- 4 You can put those clothes on, \_\_\_\_\_?
- 5 There were a lot of people wearing designer clothes, \_\_\_\_\_?
- 6 You always wear earrings, \_\_\_\_\_?