

Change the phrases in *italics* to the passive:

1. *Somebody has lost all my important files.*
2. When I returned from holiday, I found that *somebody had broken into my flat.*
3. My colleague is expecting *somebody to promote her.*
4. I don't like *people telling me what to do.*
5. *Somebody must have hacked into our computer system.*
6. I feel that *somebody is not telling us the whole story.*
7. *They are sending me to Shanghai for three months.*
8. When I finally arrived at the conference, *someone was putting away the chairs.*
9. *Somebody unveiled Microsoft's latest operating system last month.*
10. After the Games, *they will close the Olympic Village.*



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Complete the article with the active or passive form of the verbs in brackets. Use these tenses for each paragraph

A-D:

- A. present simple
- C. present perfect
- B. past simple
- D. will/future

A. A report today _____ (accuse) leading stores of exploiting workers in Bangladesh: 'Workers in factories there _____ (pay) low wages; the employers _____ (not/recognize) unions, and workers _____ (often/forced) to work seven days a week.'

B. The author of the report _____ (visit) several factories: 'On one occasion, the owner _____ (tell) in advance of our visit. That time, there _____ (be) 30 workers in the factory and they _____ (give) regular breaks. When we _____ (make) a surprise visit a few days later, the same room _____ (pack) with over 100 workers.'

C. A spokesperson for one of the stores said: 'We _____ (have) factories in Bangladesh for years and are proud of the real improvements in working conditions that _____ (make). The factories _____ (always/produce) high-quality goods, and customers in Europe _____ (benefit) from low prices.'

D. The report says: 'We expect this issue _____ (raise) in boardrooms over the next few weeks, and we _____ (get) lots of promises. But we need more than this – so we _____ (keep up) the pressure. We hope that something _____ (finally/done).'