



## 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 stories 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).'