

Passive Voice

1. Circle the correct word

- 1 In 1848, gold discovered / was discovered in California.
- 2 Today most of the food we eat is bought / bought in supermarkets.
- 3 Spanish speaks / is spoken widely in North and South America.
- 4 The Indian film industry calls / is called Bollywood, and they make / are made lots of films every year.
- 5 When were the Pyramids built / built the Pyramids and who built / was built them?
- 6 My grandfather gave / was given me this lovely old watch.

2. Write sentences and questions in the present or past passive

- 1 what / your new baby / call?

What's your new baby called?

- 2 contact lenses / invent / a Czech chemist

- 3 where / olives / grow?

Where are olives grown?

- 4 the VW Beetle / design / in the 1930s

When was the VW Beetle designed?

- 5 diamonds / find / in many different colours

Where are diamonds found?

- 6 when / vitamins / discover?

When were vitamins discovered?

3. Complete the conversations with the words and correct form of present or past passive

be-born build grow invent make

- 1 A Were you born in Germany?

B Yes, in Berlin, but I moved to England when I was 11.

- 2 A Are these cars 100% British?

B No, the engines are made in Japan.

- 3 A Does tea come from China?

B Some of it does, but it is grown in India and some other countries, too.

- 4 A Is the Tower of London very old?

B Yes, the oldest part was built in 1078.

- 5 A Who invented the ballpoint pen?

B It was invented by a Hungarian called László Bíró.