The Passive

1 Circle the correct word.

1 Coffee (is) / **are** made from coffee beans.
2 Cola **is** / **are** drunk by millions of people around the world.
3 *Great Expectations* **was** / **is** written by Charles Dickens.
4 This ring **was** / **were** given to me as a gift.
5 Foreign languages **is** / **are** taught in every school.
6 Our car **was** / **is** washed every week.

2 Fill in the gaps with *is*, *are*, *was* or *were*.

1 *Macbeth* ..was.. written by Shakespeare.
2 Fiat cars ..... made in Italy.
3 Tamara and José ..... invited to a party last week.
4 Our flat ..... cleaned every week.
5 The telephone ..... invented by Alexander Graham Bell.
6 The World Cup ..... held every four years.
7 The Parthenon ..... visited by thousands of tourists every year.
8 A short story competition ..... organised every year.
9 The castle ..... destroyed by a fire in the fifteenth century.
10 Dinner ..... served at 7 o'clock every evening.

3 Rewrite the sentences in the *passive* form.

1 James Joyce wrote this book.
This book was written by James Joyce.
2 They deliver the post every day.
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3 Birds eat seeds.
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4 A storm destroyed three houses in the neighbourhood.
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5 They built the school in 1956.
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6 Does she cook dinner every night?
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7 Did Nicky wash the dishes?
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8 Ben didn't steal Johnny's bag.
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9 They found the missing painting.
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10 Fiona takes the dog for a walk every day.
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