

The Passive

1

Circle the correct word.

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

2

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

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

3

Rewrite the sentences in the passive form.

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