

## Passives 7

1. Use these verbs to make sentences in the simple past passive.

climb • fly • invent • launch • lose • open • re-unit

Important events in the 20 <sup>th</sup> century	
1903	The first aeroplane ..... by the Wright brothers.
1929	Billions of dollars ..... in the Wall Street Crash.
1953	Mount Everest ..... by Hillary and Tensing.
1969	Apollo 11 ..... from Cape Kennedy on its mission to the moon.
1977	The first popular personal computer ..... by Jobs and Wozniak of the Apple Corporation.
1989-1990	The Berlin wall came down; East and West Germany .....
1994	The Channel Tunnel ..... between England and France.

2. Turn the active sentences into passive ones. Be careful about tenses!

- She has cleaned the room.  
The room .....
- They don't grow coffee in Scotland.  
Coffee .....
- Apple developed the iPod.  
The iPod .....
- We speak French and German here.  
French and German .....
- They accept credit cards.  
Credit cards .....
- My father gave me this watch.  
I .....
- They speak Chinese in Singapore.  
Chinese .....

8. They'll open the new hospital next year.  
The new hospital .....
9. They ask passengers not to speak to the driver.  
Passengers .....
10. People who watch birds have seen all of these birds in Britain.  
All of these birds .....
11. Mountain climbers first climbed Everest in 1953.  
Everest .....
12. They have translated my sister's books into thirty languages.  
My sister's books .....
13. The government will open three new prisons next year.  
Three new prisons .....
14. Two teenage boys stole his car.  
His car .....
15. The police arrested the murderer after the long investigation.  
The murderer .....