Passive Voice

ACTIVITY 1

a) Look at these headlines. What do you think happened next? Match 1-5 to a-e.

b) Highlight the passive voice: why is it being used? Example: *Tini Stoessel was seen holding hands with a tall man.* → *function A (action is more important than "who" saw them). Write the function next to each of the ten headlines.*

1. **The family of a famous Youtuber reported their son has been kidnapped.**
2. **Argentinian trap singer: "I have been stalked for 48 hs. I can't take it anymore."**
3. **Camilo was accused of posting sensitive content online.**
4. **Jay Mammon was reported to the police.**
5. **Twitter was shut down due to technical difficulties.**

a. Crazy Duki fans were arrested days after the singer had complained about serious stalking on his social media accounts.

b. Hundreds of teens were seen walking in the streets of Palermo now that Twitter doesn't work.

c. Musician was sentenced to two weeks of prison for posting racist comments on Twitter.

d. Missing Youtuber was found yesterday morning.

e. Camilo: "the rumors that are being spread are false"

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ACTIVITY 2

IN THIS ACTIVITY, YOU WILL READ TWO HEADLINES WITH THE SAME NEWS (A AND B) BUT WRITTEN BY TWO DIFFERENT NEWSPAPERS. HEADLINES "B" WERE WRITTEN IN THE PASSIVE VOICE. CHOOSE THE CORRECT VERB SO THAT THE HEADLINE MAKES SENSE. THE FIRST ONE IS AN EXAMPLE:

1. A) Early this morning: 14-year-old teen: "My mother created a fake Instagram profile to spy on me"
B) Teen: "A fake Instagram profile is created / was created by my mother to spy on me."

2. A) Last night: A famous influencer invited the Queen Of England to do a live Instagram story together.
*B) The Queen of England **was invited / is being invited** by a famous influencer to do a live Instagram story together.*

3. A) Argentina: The President has allowed teenagers to post flyers at Casa Rosada to raise awareness about social media addiction.
*B) Social media addiction in Argentina: teenagers **are allowing / have been allowed** to post flyers at Casa Rosada to help raise awareness.*

4. A) Teen parents reported Twitter because of increasing hate comments.
*B) Twitter **was reported / has reported** by angry parents due to harmful tweets.*

5. A) Over one million teenagers have downloaded TikTok in the past month.
*B) Tiktok **has downloaded / has been downloaded** by one million teenagers.*

6. A) Instagram users pay 500$ each month for publicity posts.
*B) 500$ **are paid / were paid** for publicity posts every month.*

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