

1. Choose the correct form to complete the text:

Fiat **started / was started** by a group of Italian businessmen in 1899. In 1903, Fiat **produced / was produced** 132 cars. Some of these cars **exported / were exported** by the company to the United States and Britain. In 1920, Fiat **started / was started** making cars at a new factory at Lingotto, near Turin. There was a track on the roof where cars **tested / were tested** by technicians. In 1936, Fiat **launched / was launched** the Fiat 500. This car **called / was called** the Topolino – the Italian name for Mickey Mouse. The company grew, and in 1963 Fiat **exported / was exported** more than 300,000 vehicles. Today, Fiat **based / is based** in Turin, and its cars **sell / are sold** all over the world.

2. Change the following sentences into passive sentences (omit the agent if not necessary. In case of two objects, choose the indirect object-the person):

a) We sell tickets for all shows at the Box Office

b) Thomas Edison invented the electric light bulb.

c) Someone will paint the office soon.

d) People have accepted the situation

e) Where do they make these video recorders?

f) Someone is helping her with the housework

g) The company sent Mrs Green a parcel

h) My friend sent me an invitation

i) The secretary has given us some letters

j) John is going to give Elizabeth a beautiful ring

k) Her students have sent her flowers

l) He must give the message to the right person

The message _____

m) They pay her an excellent salary

n) They haven't delivered the food yet.

o) Has anybody put the cases upstairs?

p) Did he tell you the right answer?
