PASSIVE VOICE 2 EXERCISES

Complete the second sentence so it has a similar meaning to the first sentence.

1 David Gill from Marketing lent me this book.

... ***I was lent***................this book by David Gill from Marketing.

2 This sample was given to me at the Trade Fair.

.... this sample at the Trade Fair.

3 They promised us delivery within two weeks of our order.

We .... within two weeks of our order.

4 A textile firm near Milan made this fabric for us.

.... for us by a textile firm near Milan.

5 This order was sent to us through our website.

.... this order thro ugh our website.

6 My secretary booked the flight for me.

.... for me by my secretary.

Complete the report by putting the verbs in brackets into thepresent perfect active (has done) or Passive (has been done).

Investment opportunities: *Brazil*

Brazil (1) ...has been transformed... (transform) from an economy based on sugar and coffee into a leading industrial power, and this (2) ...has happened... (happen) over a relatively short time period. Over recent years inflation (3) .... (bring) under control, and foreign direct investment (4) .... (encourage).

The Government (5) .... (privatise) many state-owned companies, and they (6) .... (also/invest) a lot of money in advanced infrastructure. In an attempt to decentralise the economy, Campinas was chosen to be Brazil's IT capital, and car production (7) .... (move) away from traditional centres to states such as Rio Grande do Sul in the south. No one pretends that all the old problems (8) .... (solve), but Brazil is finally taking its place on the world stage.

Read the article about Manchester United, then complete it with the verbs in the brackets. Put the first verb in the present simple passive (to be done) and the second verb in a suitable form of the infinitive (to do, to be doing, or to have done).

Manchester United: just a game of football?

Manchester United is (1) ...is supposed to have... (suppose/have) between 10 million and 30 million supporters throughout the world. In Norway, for example, one in every 140 people (2) .... (say/be) a registered supporter. Ticket sales and merchandising contribute over half of the club's revenue, with television contributing a further 20%.

But senior executives (3) .... (know/look at) other ways to generate income at the moment. For example, the club (4) .... (believe/develop) e-commerce initiatives through a series of alliances. Costs at the club continue to increase. A few years ago the club (5) .... (report/spend) £30m on a plan to expand the capacity of the stadium from 55,000 seats to 67,400 seats. But this (6) .... (think/be) a good investment as it will generate nearly £7.5 million in additional turnover annually. The main costs at the club are the salaries of the players. Last year the team's captain (7) .... (understand/negotiate) a four-year contract worth over eight figures.