



The mothers of invention

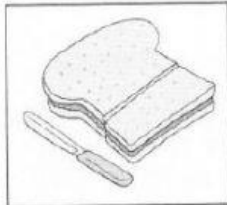
Necessity is the mother of invention.
Plato, Greek philosopher

1 GRAMMAR passive

a Reorder the words to make sentences.

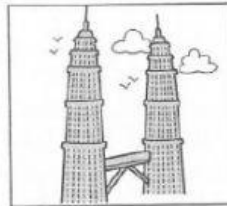


1 relieve pain / used / is / Aspirin / to
Aspirin is used to relieve pain.



2 named / The sandwich / after / was /
the Earl of Sandwich

_____.



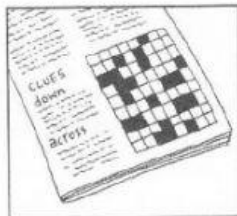
3 designed / Cesar Pelli /
The Petronas Towers / were / by

_____.



4 based / This movie / a true story /
is / on

_____.



5 published / The first crossword
puzzle / in 1913 / was

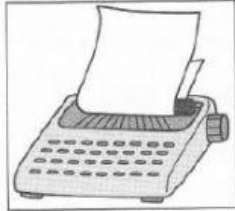
_____.



6 Diners Club® / issued / The first credit card / by / was

_____.

_____.



7 very often / not used / The typewriter / these days / is

_____.

_____.



8 discovered / was / by / Alexander Fleming / Penicillin

_____.

_____.

b Write sentences in the present passive or past passive.

1 President Kennedy / assassinate / 1963

President Kennedy was assassinated in 1963.

2 Champagne / made / France

Champagne is made in France.

3 What / this machine / call

_____?

4 Television / invent / John Logie Baird

_____.

5 This room / clean / every morning

_____.

6 That building / design / a famous architect

_____.

7 Portuguese / speak / in Brazil

8 Where / those photos / take

?

c Rewrite the sentences in the passive.

1 The police stopped me last night.

I was stopped by the police last night.

2 Shakira sang *Hips Don't Lie*.

Hips Don't Lie _____.

3 My cousin took all the photographs at our wedding.

All the photographs _____.

4 A computer controls the heating.

The heating _____.

5 Uruguay won the first World Cup.

The first World Cup _____.

6 Van Gogh didn't paint this!

This _____!

7 Did Edison invent the telephone?

Was _____?

2 VOCABULARY verbs

Complete the sentences with the past participle of these verbs.

name	create	write	design	record
use	invent	make	base	discover



- 1 The Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco was designed by engineer Joseph B. Strauss.
- 2 I was _____ after my grandmother.
- 3 Gold was _____ in California in 1848.
- 4 Copper and tin are _____ to make bronze.
- 5 Many different characters were _____ by Shakespeare.
- 6 Telephones weren't _____ until the late 1800s.
- 7 Most cakes are _____ from flour, eggs, sugar, and butter.
- 8 Many of the Beatles' songs were _____ at Abbey Road Studios in London.
- 9 *The Lord of the Rings* was _____ by Tolkien.
- 10 Many characters in novels are _____ on real people.

CAN YOU REMEMBER...?**FILES****6&7****Complete each sentence with one word.**

- 1 I'll do it tomorrow if I _____ time.
- 2 If I _____ you, I wouldn't buy that house.
- 3 I might _____ go out tonight. I'm very tired.
- 4 You _____ drink coffee at night – you won't sleep.
- 5 How _____ have you lived in this city or town?
- 6 How many movies _____ Alfred Hitchcock make?
- 7 I _____ to smoke but I quit last year.
- 8 Disposable diapers _____ invented by a woman.