10 Read the article again and write true (T), false (F) or not given (NG).

1 The television is in excellent working order. ☐
2 It was removed from London during the Second World War. ☐
3 It is possible to use the television to watch digital TV. ☐
4 Jeffrey Borinsky has owned the television since it was made. ☐
5 Jeffrey particularly likes watching old programmes on the set. ☐
6 Iain Logie Baird is an inventor. ☐
7 The majority of pre-War TVs were destroyed during the War. ☐
8 The television will now go to a museum. ☐

Grammar | the passive

11 Look at the Active grammar box. Complete the example sentences using the article on page 26 to help you. Then match the rules (A–C) with the sentences (1–3).

Active grammar

Present Simple	*It _____ thought to be Britain's oldest working set.*
Past Simple	*It _____ made over seven decades ago.*
Present Perfect Simple	*The set _____ converted from analogue to digital.*
Modal verbs	*It can _____ used for many years to come.*

A We use the active to describe what someone/something does.

B We use the passive to describe what happens to someone or something.

We often use the passive to describe processes:

*Then the glass **is heated** ...*

and in more formal or written contexts:

*It **is thought** to be ...*

and to avoid saying who is responsible:

*The washing-up **hasn't been done** yet!*

C If we want to say who or what does the action in a passive sentence we often use *by*.

1 *The competition was set up in May **by Iain Logie Baird**.*
2 *Iain Logie Baird **set up** the competition in May.*
3 *The competition **was set up** in May.*

see Reference page 33

12 Complete the second sentence so it means the same as the first.

1 In 1939 people could only receive one channel – the BBC.
In 1939 only one channel _____ – the BBC.
2 In the 1930s a television was owned for ten to fifteen years.
In the 1930s people _____ a television for ten to fifteen years.
3 Nowadays people replace their television every two to three years.
Nowadays a television _____ every two to three years.
4 All pre-War televisions were made in Britain.
The British _____ all pre-War televisions.
5 The Chinese make ninety percent of televisions now.
Ninety percent of televisions _____ the Chinese now.
6 In 1936 people could watch the BBC for just two hours a day.
In 1936 the BBC _____ for just two hours a day.

13 a Add one missing word to each sentence.

1 A father and son who made millions of pounds from fake DVDs have jailed for six years.
2 Hundreds of thousands of DVDs were produced workers hired by the gang.
3 The DVDs sold cheaply in pubs and markets.
4 It is estimated the police that the criminals made around £43,000 a day from the operation.
5 The gang members lived a life of luxury until they caught.
6 However, police believe that most of the money the gang made been taken out of the country.
7 Is estimated that criminal gangs in the UK make about £300 million a year from fake DVDs.
8 Police dogs have now trained to find hidden DVDs.

b 1.15 Listen and check your answers to exercise 13a.

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