LANGUAGE IN ACTION

The passive

1 ★ Circle the correct options.



1 This coffee (is) / *are* produced in Kenya – try it.
2 The problem with my computer *was* / *were* solved by switching it off and then on again.
3 In the future, lots of diseases *are* / *will be* cured with technology.
4 We're going to recycle all the plastic bags so nothing will be *waste* / *wasted*.
5 Some people thought the Aurora Borealis *is* / *was* created by gods.
6 Was there a loud bang when all the cables *was* / *were* connected?

2 ★★ Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in the box.

attract	build	collect	~~deliver~~	measure	use

1 These books *will be delivered* tomorrow morning to your house.
2 The church _____ in the 15th century, but now it's a library.
3 Huge rocks _____ to build Stonehenge in England.
4 The ingredients _____ carefully, but the cake still tasted strange.
5 Old clothes _____ at the school, and we'll give them all away to charity.
6 The picnic is terrible! These flies _____ to the food. They're everywhere!

3 ★★ Complete the conversation with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

CHRIS Hey Alison, let's see if you can answer these questions.
ALISON A quiz? OK.
CHRIS Right, first question. How many languages [1] *are spoken* (speak) in India?
ALISON Em … it's a lot, I know that. 200?
CHRIS No, 400! Next one: When [2] _____ the first mobile phone app _____ (create)?
ALISON I think it was 1998.
CHRIS Very good! What [3] _____ (measure) in megabits per second?
ALISON That's easy! Your internet connection speed.
CHRIS And … where [4] _____ 5.6 million cars _____ (produce) in 2017?
ALISON Em … France?
CHRIS No, it was in Germany. So, after all your hard work, would you like a pizza?
ALISON Great idea. But first answer this question. What [5] _____ (deliver) by drones in the future?
CHRIS That's obvious … PIZZA!!

4 ★★★ Write five passive sentences about mobile phones. Use these ideas.

1 What are they made of?
2 Where are they produced?
3 What year was an important model produced?
4 How are apps downloaded?
5 How will they be used in the future?



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