1 Choose the correct words.

1 Textile mills **create** / **are created** the cloth that **use** / **is used** to make clothes.

2 Designers **meet** / **are met** with people from the mills and **show** / **are shown** the latest cloths.

3 The theme of a collection each season **has decided** / **is decided** by the head designer.

4 The other designers then **cut** / **are cut** patterns from an inexpensive material and the sample designs **make** / **are made**.

5 If the samples don't look good, they **don't keep** / **aren't kept**.

6 Buyers **pick** / **are picked** what they believe will sell and the clothes **order** / **are ordered**.

7 The clothing that the buyers **have** / **are** ordered **is** / **are** made.

8 After designers **choose** / **are chosen** their cloths, it **takes** / **is taken** about 14 months for the finished clothing to **arrive** / **be arrived** in the shops.

2 Complete the passive sentences using the underlined parts of the text to help you.

The people who set the trends

These days, celebrities often start the trends that we follow. When we see them in a new style, we try to copy it. It was the same in the past, only the celebrities were different. In the 16th century, people copied the styles of kings and queens. After King Francis I of France burnt his hair with a torch, men began to wear their hair, beards and moustaches short. Queen Elizabeth I of England set the trends for women at this time. Elizabeth had very pale skin and red hair. Wealthy women admired this. They used white powder on their faces. They didn't dye their hair – they wore red wigs instead. The best way to make their skin pale was with white lead powder, which people later discovered was poisonous.

English ladies also made their cheeks look healthy by applying lead powder that was coloured with dye. They would colour their eyebrows and lips too. To finish their make-up, they spread the white of an egg over the face to make them even paler and to hide lines and freckles.

1 These days, the trends that we follow _____ celebrities.

2 When _____ in a new style, we try to copy it.

3 In the 16th century, the styles of kings and queens _____.

4 When the king's _____, men began to wear their hair short.

5 Trends for women _____ Queen Elizabeth I of England.

6 The queen's pale skin and red hair _____ women.

7 _____ to make their skin pale.

8 _____, but they wore red wigs.

9 Later, it _____ that lead was poisonous.

10 Their eyebrows and lips _____ too.

11 The _____ over the face.

12 Their lines and freckles _____ with this.

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