Grammar EXTRA! Worksheet 2

Present simple passive

1 Choose the correct word.

1 Books *is* / *are* made of paper.
2 Paper *is* / *are* made from trees.
3 The website *is* / *are* visited by thousands of people.
4 Lots of books *is* / *are* sold each year.
5 Each book *is* / *are* labelled to help people choose.
6 The books *is* / *are* left in a public place.

Remember

- Present simple passive is formed with: the present tense of the verb *be* (i.e. *is* and *are*) + past participle: *English* ***is taught*** *in school.*
- we use *by* + noun when we want to say who does the action: *English is taught in school* ***by teachers***.

2 Complete these sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

1 Books are _____ (write) by authors.
2 The pictures and illustrations are _____ (draw) by artists.
3 A special programme is _____ (use) to teach how to write stories.
4 Most books are _____ (sell) by bookshops.
5 Lots of books are _____ (buy) online through companies like Amazon.
6 The website is _____ (design) to advertise the new titles.
7 Books are _____ (print) on paper.

3 Rewrite the sentences using the present simple passive.

In Britain lots of people read newspapers.
Newspapers *are read by lots of people in Britain.*

1 Colourful leaflets advertise the new computer games.
The new computer games _____

2 The editor decides on the content of the newspaper.
The content _____

3 Newspapers include the TV programmes.
TV programmes _____

4 They print the special announcements at the back of the newspaper.
Special announcements _____

5 The author writes a short outline of the book.
A short outline _____

6 Libraries put the new books on a display shelf.
New books _____

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