

LANGUAGE PRACTICE

UNIT 6

Present simple passive

- 1 Complete the conversation with the present simple passive form of the verbs in brackets.

ANA How much waste ¹ is recycled (recycle) in your home?

BEN Well, glass and metal ² _____ (collect) every week. I'm not sure what ³ _____ (do) with other materials we recycle. Some waste ⁴ _____ (burn).

ANA Yes, but burning waste isn't great. The air ⁵ _____ (pollute) because dangerous gases like methane ⁶ _____ (create).

BEN True, but you can do simple things to help. I never buy fruit that ⁷ _____ (pack) in plastic and very little energy ⁸ _____ (waste) in our apartment.

- 2 Complete the text with the present simple passive form of the verbs in the box.

eat fly not grow pack process
produce sell send

A lot of the food that ¹ is eaten in the UK ² _____ there. Oranges, for example, ³ _____ in California. They ⁴ _____ there and then they ⁵ _____ to airports in Europe. Lorries transport the fruit to towns, where they ⁶ _____ in supermarkets. Incredibly, some food ⁷ _____ by ship to China, where it ⁸ _____ before returning to Europe.

- 3 Circle the correct option to complete the sentences.

- Where _____ BMW cars _____ ?
A did ... produce B are ... produced
C produced ... by
- The equipment _____ in a small factory near here.
A is pack B packed C is packed
- A very strong tape _____ these boxes.
A is secured B secures C are secured
- Their work _____ every day by the managers.
A inspects B is inspecting C is inspected
- The end product _____ for many different things.
A uses B is used C has used

Past simple passive

- 4 Complete the sentences with the past simple passive form of the verbs in brackets.

- The frisbee was invented (invent) by American college students.
- The Shard _____ (build) near the river in London.
- My favourite picture _____ (paint) by Frida Kahlo.
- The factory workers _____ (not pay) very much.
- English _____ (speak) in many holiday resorts.

- 5 Write questions using the past simple passive.

- what clothes / wear / by teenagers in the 1950s
What clothes were worn by teenagers in the 1950s?
- who / that amazing building / design by

- where / the American soldiers / send

- what / those old wooden boxes / use for

- 6 Answer the questions in Exercise 5. Use the information given.

- blue jeans and T-shirts
Blue jeans and T-shirts were worn by teenagers in the 1950s.
- Frank Lloyd Wright

- to Europe

- packing equipment

- 7 Rewrite the questions using the past simple passive with *by*.

- Who found those beautiful cave paintings?
Who were those beautiful cave paintings found by?
- What destroyed the city of Pompeii?

- Who wrote *Romeo and Juliet*?

- Who built Machu Picchu?
