

1. Olga is talking about the town where she lives, it's Torzhok, the Tver Region.  
What is interesting about her home town? Use the verbs in brackets in the correct form.

### Past Simple Passive

The town **was founded by** Prince Yuri in the twelfth century.

My town is very old. Its ancient name Novy Torg (0) was written (to write) in the Chronicles<sup>2</sup> in 1137. There was a kremlin in the centre of the town but in the eighteenth century its wall and towers (1) \_\_\_\_\_ (to destroy) by a great fire. In the eighteenth century the town began to grow because the road<sup>3</sup> between St Petersburg and Moscow (2) \_\_\_\_\_ (to build) and the



town stood near the road. In Torzhok there are wonderful buildings which (3) \_\_\_\_\_ (to design) by the famous architects K. Rossi and A. L'vov. During the Great Patriotic War some of them (4) \_\_\_\_\_ (to destroy). The magnificent Borisoglebsky Cathedral (5) \_\_\_\_\_ (to build) in the eighteenth century too. It (6) \_\_\_\_\_ (to decorate) by the famous Russian painter V. Borovikovsky. The Cathedral (7) \_\_\_\_\_ (to restore) not long ago.

Torzhok (8) \_\_\_\_\_ (to visit) by many famous people, A. S. Pushkin for example. A. S. Pushkin liked having dinner at Pozharsky's Inn.<sup>1</sup> The building of Pozharsky's Inn (9) \_\_\_\_\_ (to damage) by fire in 2002 but later it (10) \_\_\_\_\_ (to restore).