

## Passive – Present and Past

### A Write information about the Brighton Swimming Pool with the words below. Use the Present Simple Passive.

- 1 tickets / sell / at the pool
- 2 the water / heat / to a temperature of 22° C
- 3 the pool / clean / once a week
- 4 towels / give / to members only
- 5 ball games / not allow / in the pool
- 6 swimming lessons / hold / every Monday

**Brighton Swimming Pool**

*Tickets are sold at the pool.*

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### B Complete the text with the Past Simple Passive of the verbs in brackets.



We decided to give our teacher a surprise for her birthday yesterday. The classroom 1 ..... *was cleaned* ..... (clean) and nothing 2 ..... (leave) on the floor. Fresh flowers 3 ..... (pick) and they 4 ..... (place) on her desk. A "Happy Birthday" sign 5 ..... (put) on the door and a message 6 ..... (write) on the board. It said, "Dear Miss Graham, Have a great day! Love, Your pupils."

### C Complete the sentences with the Present Simple Passive or Past Simple Passive of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 Two days ago, I lost my bag in the park. It ..... *wasn't found* ..... (not find) until yesterday.
- 2 The accident ..... (report) to the police last week.
- 3 ..... coffee ..... (grow) in Brazil?
- 4 The computers ..... (not fix) yesterday. They are still broken.
- 5 Spanish ..... (speak) in most of South America.
- 6 Discs ..... (sell) at the market last week.
- 7 ..... the car ..... (wash) last week?
- 8 The Internet ..... (use) by millions of people every day.

### D Write each sentence in the passive.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 They visited the museum last year.<br/><i>The museum was visited last year.</i></li> <li>2 I tidy my room on Sundays.<br/>.....</li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3 Something woke the neighbours.<br/>.....</li> <li>4 Do they sing this song in England?<br/>.....</li> </ol> |
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## Passive – Present and Past – Answers

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  - 6 Swimming lessons are held every Monday.
- B**
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| 1 was cleaned | 4 were placed |
| 2 was left    | 5 was put     |
| 3 were picked | 6 was written |
- C**
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| 1 wasn't found  | 5 is spoken      |
| 2 was reported  | 6 were sold      |
| 3 Is ... grown  | 7 Was ... washed |
| 4 weren't fixed | 8 is used        |
- D**
- 1 The museum was visited last year.
  - 2 My room is tidied on Sundays.
  - 3 The neighbours were woken by something..
  - 4 Is this song sung in England?