Grammar

1 Complete the sentences with the correct passive form of these verbs. There are two extra verbs.

give • make • read • show • spend • win write

1 I read a really interesting book. It ……………………… in the 1990s, but it was still interesting.

2 At school we ……………………… a film about how the Internet works.

3 ……………………… we ……………………… any homework in history today? I wasn’t there. I was at the dentist.

4 Do you know how chocolate ……………………… ?

5 David says the football World Cup ……………………… by Brazil in 2014. Is that right?

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2 Complete the zero and first conditional sentences with the correct form of the verbs given.

1 If you mix red and yellow, you ……………………… (get) orange.

2 If you freeze water, it ……………………… (become) ice.

3 His mum gets angry if he ……………………… (watch) too much TV.

4 If I want some information, I ……………………… (look) on the Internet.

5 She always wears a jacket if it ……………………… (be) cold.

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3 Complete the short dialogues with the correct form of these verbs.

buy • find • finish • pass • rain

1 A: I don’t know who to write about for my project on

famous writers.

B: Well, if you surf the Internet, you ………………………

lots of interesting information.

2 A: Is Maria coming to the cinema with us?

B: Her mum says if she ……………………… her

homework, she won’t be able to go.

3 A: What ……………………… you ……………………… if you

go shopping?

B: I need some new trainers.

4 A: What does Mr Jones say about Dan?

B: He says he ……………………… his exam if he

doesn’t do any revision.

5 A: I’m playing tennis this afternoon.

B: What will you do if it ……………………… ?

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4 Choose the best answers (A, B or C) to complete the email.

Hi Alex,

Last weekend, we visited the famous film studios at Pinewood where the James Bond films (1) ……………………… made. There is even one studio called the 007 Stage which was (2) ……………………… in 1976 for one of the earliest Bond films. They were filming the latest one when we went there to visit! If you watch the filming, you (3) ……………………… see all the special effects. Those are added later with computers. If my mum takes us to see the film next week, I (4) ……………………… tell you how it’s   
(5) ……………………… !

Speak soon,

Max

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| 1 **A** is  **B** was  **C** are  2 **A** build  **B** built  **C** building  3 **A** don’t  **B** aren’t  **C** will | 4 **A** can’t  **B** won’t  **C** will  5 **A** done  **B** did  **C** doing |

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Vocabulary

5 Choose the correct alternatives to complete the sentences.

1 I’m going to take my laptop/satnav to school to do   
my presentation.

2 You can listen to the programme again on your printer/MP3 player.

3 Nick reads about football on his digital camera/smartphone.

4 My dad never uses the MP3 player/satnav in our car.

5 I want a copy of my project, but I need a tablet/printer.

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6 Complete the sentences with the correct noun form of the verbs given.

1 The Alhambra is a famous ……………………… (build)   
in Spain.

2 The ……………………… (discover) of penicillin was very important in the history of medicine.

3 Sir Arthur Conan Doyle was the ……………………… (create) of the character Sherlock Holmes.

4 Victoria Beckham has become a very famous fashion ……………………… (design).

5 The new factory in town makes lots of very useful ……………………… (produce).

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7 Complete the sentences with the correct form of these verbs. There are three extra options.

act • create • describe • discover   
explain • imagine • invent • organise

1 I think J K Rowling is a brilliant writer. She has a really good ……………………… .

2 I loved the ……………………… scenes in the film – in one scene the main actor is chased down the outside of a huge tower.

3 Natalie wrote a wonderful ……………………… of the place she stayed at on holiday.

4 The ……………………… at the charity show was very good. Everything happened at the right time.

5 Mr Clark is a very good teacher. He gives really clear ……………………… .

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8 Complete the dialogue with one word in each gap.

Marcus: Did you go to the ICT careers talk yesterday?

Becky: Yes, it was really interesting. There was a film about the (1) ……………………… of the World Wide Web, Tim Berners-Lee. And then there was a speaker who is a product designer. Did you know that everything we use was (2) ……………………… by someone?

Marcus: Is that what you want to do in future then?

Becky: I don’t know yet. I get lots of (3) ……………………… about different jobs from the Internet. My laptop’s broken, but I can use my (4) ……………………… to do research – it’s easier than my smartphone.

Marcus: Well, I want to be a photographer. I got a new (5)……………………… last week so I was taking photos yesterday.

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Use of English

9 Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first. Use no more than two words.

1 Mary Anderson was the inventor of windscreen wipers.

Windscreen wipers were ……………………… Mary Anderson

2 Anthony Horowitz is a creator of children’s books.

Anthony Horowitz ……………………… for children.

3 If it rains, we won’t go sailing.

We ……………………… sailing if the weather is nice.

4 Plants always die if you don’t water them.

If plants ……………………… watered, they die.

5 You’re tired because you go to bed late.

If you go to bed earlier, you ……………………… tired.

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Reading

10 Read the article about headphones. Six sentences have been removed from the article. Choose from the sentences A–F the one which fits each gap.

You may be surprised to discover that not everyone wants to hear your music. Fortunately, there is a very useful invention that can help – headphones. (1) ……………………… They change an electrical signal into a sound in the user’s ear. Of course, you will be familiar with headphones but do you know how long they have been around?

The first commercially successful set was designed by Nathaniel Baldwin in 1910 in the United States. (2) ……………………… But letters written by Baldwin show that they probably weren’t the first.

It is possible that the first headphones were created in the 1880s and worn by telephone operators. As the telephone moved into more people’s homes, the telephone companies started to offer a new service. (3) ……………………… They phoned a special number, then the operator connected them to the theatre. They put on their headset, which was worn under the head, not over, and listened to the opera or a play from their homes. (4) ………………………

Headphones continued to develop during the 20th century and the quality of the sound got better and better.   
(5) ……………………… They were small and light and worn in the ear. But they can fall out. Also, wearers can often hear other noises, so they increase the volume and that can be bad for the ear. (6) ……………………… Small is out – designer headphones are in. But whatever type you wear – under, over, in your ear, big or small – headphones are something most of us can’t live without.

A People liked the feeling that they were at the theatre.

B People could pay and listen to shows from theatres.

CHe made them in his kitchen and then he sold them to the American navy.

D Headphones are small loudspeakers that are designed to fit over the ears.

E The latest fashion is for really big headphones.

FFrom the 1980s, earphones became very popular.

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11 Read the article again, and chose the best answer, A, B, C or D.

1 Nathaniel Baldwin designed

**A** headphones he was able to sell.

**B** the earliest headphones.

**C** the best ever headphones.

**D** headphones in the UK.

2 The earliest headphones were probably used by

**A** theatres.

**B** the navy.

**C** telephone operators.

**D** inventors.

3 When people first got telephones they

**A** stopped going to the theatre.

**B** phoned the theatre.

**C** didn’t need headphones.

**D** could listen to the theatre from home.

4 In the 1980s, people liked using earphones because

**A** they weren’t large and heavy.

**B** they never fell out.

**C** they were worn over the head.

**D** they were cheap.

5 Earphones can create problems because users

**A** can’t hear anything.

**B** have the sound too loud.

**C** don’t talk to other people.

**D** lose them.

6 Big headphones are popular now because of their

**A** cost.

**B** quality.

**C** design.

**D** size.

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12 Correct the mistakes in the sentences.

1 The navy wrote letters to Baldwin that show his headphones weren’t the first. ………..……..………..……..………..……..………..……..………..……..………..

2 Theatres offered people the chance to listen to shows from home. ………..……..………..……..………..……..………..……..………..……..………..

3 The sound quality of headphones got worse in the   
20th century.

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4 People don’t need headphones anymore.

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Listening

13 button.jpg Listen to two students talking about a project. Are these statements True (T) or False (F)?

1 Louis Braille was born blind. T/F

2 Braille wasn’t able to go to school. T/F

3 Charles Barbier developed a system for reading   
in the dark. T/F

4 Braille was immediately successful. T/F

5 Braille is still used today. T/F

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14 button.jpg Listen again and complete the sentences with two or three words in each gap.

1 The Braille system helps blind people with ……………………………………………… .

2 Braille was blinded after ……………………………………………… with his father’s tools.

3 Charles Barbier created a ……………………………………  
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4 The Braille alphabet is made of ………………………  
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5 Blind people use ……………………………………………… to read Braille.

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Writing

15 Write a short biography of an important person from your country who is no longer alive, but who made   
a difference.

Write 35–50 words.

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Speaking

16 You have been asked to give a short presentation to your class about an important invention or discovery that you believe has made your life better. Make notes before you begin.

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