

PAST SIMPLE PASSIVE



	SUBJECT	ACTION	OBJECT
ACTIVE	Mountains	surrounded	the village
PASSIVE	The village	was surrounded	by mountains

- Form the past simple passive with the past simple form of the verb to be (was, were) and the past participle of the main verb
- The object of the active sentences becomes the subject of the passive sentences
- Use *by* + person or thing after the passive to include the object

Complete the sentences using WAS or WERE:

1. The hills _____ seen by many travellers
2. This house _____ built in 1997
3. The e-mails _____ sent by my partner not by me
4. The match _____ finished five minutes earlier
5. These medals _____ won by the best players
6. My town _____ attacked several times

Complete using the past simple passive form of the verbs in the box:

INVENT - INVESTIGATE - BUY - EAT - FEED - CLEAN

1. Those cds _____ by Lawrence .
2. All the windows _____ this week.
3. Her cake _____ by all the guests .
4. The telephone _____ many years ago.
5. Hungry dogs _____ by the shop assistants.
6. This famous town _____ by many scientists.

Make these active sentences passive:

1. They gave Mimi some flowers.

2. Madonna sang famous songs.

3. They offered Jane a well-paid job.

4. Her parents promised Ann a great birthday present.

5. Alexander Bell invented the telephone

6. I took lots of beautiful pictures
