

Active Passive True/ False quiz Version 2

New Cutting Edge Intermediate Module 6

(Adapted from Reward Elementary Resource Pack 38 and Clockwise Intermediate Resource Pack pg 44)

With your partner, try to guess the answers to the questions below:

1. The electric chair was invented by a dentist
2. 10% of Americans have appeared on TV
3. Chewing gum will stop you from crying when you are cutting onions
4. A sneeze travels at 10 miles per hour
5. Ice cream was first made in Italy
6. More wine is produced in Italy than France
7. The first underground railway was opened in New York
8. The first jeans were made by Levi Strauss (a German tailor)
9. The original VW Beetle was designed by Ferdinand Porsche
10. Mirrors were invented by the ancient Egyptians
11. Windmills always turn anticlockwise (= the opposite direction to a clock)
12. The rubber tyre was invented by John Dunlop
13. The first football World Cup was played in 1960
14. Over 3 million flowers are grown in the Netherlands (=Holland) each year
15. Bats always turn left when flying out of a cave

Grammar practice

Without looking back at the previous page, fill the gaps below with the right verbs and tenses.

1. The electric chair _____ by a dentist
2. 25% of Americans _____ on TV
3. Chewing gum will stop you from crying when _____ onions
4. A sneeze _____ at 100 miles per hour
5. Ice cream _____ in China
6. More wine _____ in Italy than France
7. The first underground railway _____ in London
8. The first jeans _____ by Levi Strauss (a German tailor)
9. The original VW Beetle _____ by Ferdinand Porsche
10. Mirrors _____ by the ancient Egyptians
11. Windmills always _____ anticlockwise
12. The rubber tyre _____ by John Dunlop
13. The first football World Cup _____ in 1930
14. Over 3 billion flowers _____ in the Netherlands each year
15. Bats always _____ left when flying out of a cave

Check your answers with the previous page. Ask your teacher if you think your answer is also possible.

Webquest

With your partner, use the internet to create as many similar true/ false trivia questions as you can. You must write all sentences in the passive, either by finding a passive sentence or by rewriting the one you find. All questions must be tied to the topic of the book, meaning they must be about TV, radio, newspapers, films, books, plays or music.

Tips for finding facts

- ◇ Try searching for particular verbs in the passive, e.g. “was written” or “are released”
- ◇ Search for “trivia” or “fun facts” with particular topics
- ◇ Try Wikipedia

Active Passive True/ False quiz Answer Key/ Teacher's Notes

1. The electric chair was invented by a dentist TRUE
2. 10% of Americans have appeared on TV FALSE (really 25% of Americans)
3. Chewing gum will stop you from crying when you are cutting onions TRUE
4. A sneeze travels at 10 miles per hour FALSE (really 100 mph)
5. Ice cream was first made in Italy FALSE (in China)
6. More wine is produced in Italy than France TRUE
7. The first underground railway was opened in New York FALSE (in London)
8. The first jeans were made by Levi Strauss (a German tailor) TRUE
9. The original VW Beetle was designed by Ferdinand Porsche TRUE
10. Mirrors were invented by the ancient Egyptians TRUE
11. Windmills always turn anticlockwise (= the opposite direction to a clock) TRUE
12. The rubber tyre was invented by John Dunlop TRUE
13. The first football World Cup was played in 1960 FALSE (1930)
14. Over 3 million flowers are grown in the Netherlands (=Holland) each year FALSE (3 billion)
15. Bats always turn left when flying out of a cave TRUE

To give them a hint, tell them how many are false (6 false and 9 true)

As a more challenging variation, you can ask students to identify the tense and answer the question to get a point.

To add listening (and save paper), you could read out the questions instead of giving out the worksheets.