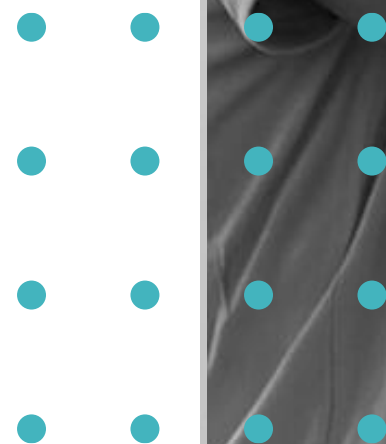


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General Pre Intermediate

Homework - Unit 10: Always
great!



Positive and negative

1. Complete the article about Netflix using the passive verb forms below.

Still a streaming sensation

was refused | was offered | was founded | was fined

The beginning

Netflix is a worldwide revolution. It has changed the way we watch TV. We don't even need a TV any longer to watch our favourite programmes – we can watch what we want, when we want, where we want: on a TV, tablet, laptop, or phone!

Netflix 1. _____ in 1997 after Reed Hastings, now the CEO, 2. _____ \$40 because he was late returning a copy of Apollo 13 to a video rental shop. Netflix started as a DVD-by-mail rental business. In 2000, Netflix 3. _____ to Blockbuster, another DVD rental company, but the offer 4. _____. After better broadband made it possible for people to stream films to their TV, Netflix became the leader. It's now worth \$60 billion and Blockbuster went bankrupt in 2010!

is watched | is estimated | has been affected | was named | are watched | was awarded

Netflix – the facts

The company's revenue 5. _____ at \$41.7 billion a year (for the twelve months ending June 30 2025). It's available in approximately 190 – 200 countries and the number is still rising. In the US, Netflix 6. _____ by more people than cable TV, and has an estimated 300 + million paid memberships globally.

Netflix has been streamed so heavily during prime time (recent studies show the company accounts for about 15% of global downstream internet traffic) that video quality 7. _____. Netflix allows people to watch an entire series, called a "box set", in one go. Box sets 8. _____ by around 60% of viewers. Squid Game is the most popular – so far more than 140 million households have watched the first season.

In 2024, Netflix 9. _____ a Golden Globe, when Ali Wong 10. _____ best actress for Beef.

will be watched | will be made | will be developed | is predicted

What next?

With classic series, like The Crown (a drama about Queen Elizabeth II), Netflix has become more and more popular. It

11. _____ that Netflix 12. _____ in nearly every country around the world, and more and more of the programmes 13. _____ by Netflix themselves. And even better streaming technology 14. _____, so that heavy use will not affect picture quality.

2. Fill in the questions. Choose the correct answer, **a** or **b**.

1. 'Who _____ \$40 for returning a late video?'

'The CEO of Netflix'

a. charged b. was charged

2. 'Who _____ not to buy Netflix in 2000?'

'Blockbuster'

a. decided b. is decided

3. 'What percentage of viewers _____ box sets?'

'60%'

a. watch b. are watched

4. 'Who _____ a Golden Globe for best actress?'

'Ali Wong'

a. awarded b. was awarded

5. 'What _____ to improve Netflix?'

'Streaming technology'

a. will develop b. will be developed

Forming the passive

3. Put the verb in brackets into the correct passive form.

Present Simple

- 6% of the Earth's surface is covered (cover) by rainforest.
- 40% of the Earth's oxygen _____ (produce) by rainforests.
- We _____ (watch) by CCTV cameras everywhere we go.
- What time _____ the post _____ (deliver)?
- You _____ (cover) in dirt! What have you been doing?
- A lot of information about our lives _____ (keep) on computers.

Past Simple

- We weren't affected (not affect) by the flood, but our neighbors were.
- Where were you when these photos _____ (take)?
- _____ your car _____ (damage) in the accident?
- The window _____ (break) during the robbery.
- The painting _____ (sell) for six million euros.
- I _____ (introduce) to a very interesting man at the party.

Present Perfect

- All these topics have been discussed (discuss) many times before.
- Bill's doing really well at work. He _____ just _____ (promote) to area manager.
- _____ you ever _____ (catch) speeding?
- Have you heard? Catherine _____ (sack) from her job!
- Oh no! Our plane _____ (delay) because of the snow.

will

- You'll be told (tell) what to do when you arrive.
- Where _____ the next Eurovision _____ (hold)?
- Your exam results _____ (email) to you.

for, since, and ago

2. Put the words in the correct order to make questions. Then choose the correct answer from below.

India | Qatar | four | 2018 | over one billion | ~~Chickpeas, garlic and lemon juice~~

- hummus / made / is / from / What / ? Q: What is hummus made from?

Answer: Chickpeas, garlic and lemon juice.

- Hindi / spoken / Where / is / ? Q: _____

A: _____

- every second / born / are / How many / babies / ? Q: _____

A: _____

- held / Where / the World Cup / was / in 2022 / ? Q: _____

A: _____

- were / When / Prince Harry / married / Meghan Markle / and / ?

Q: _____

A: _____

- have / seatbelts / How many / lives / been / by / 1975 / since / saved / ?

Q: _____

A: _____

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A: _____

Short answers

5. Correct the information in these sentences.

1. Paper is made from plastic.

No, it isn't! It's made from wood.

2. Champagne is made in Scotland.

_____.

3. iPhones are made by Samsung.

_____.

4. The Mona Lisa was painted by Monet.

_____.

5. The Colosseum was built by the Greeks.

_____.

The passive infinitive

6. Complete the sentences with the *passive infinitive* (be + past participle) of the verbs below.

spend | ~~do~~ | serve | cancel | contact | knock | down | clean | ban | take

1. The company is losing money. Something must be done to increase sales.
2. Can you take my suit to the dry cleaner's? It needs to _____ before the wedding.
3. These pills must _____ with food twice a day.
4. I'm not taking my phone, so I can't _____ while I'm away.
5. The old factory is going to _____ tomorrow.
6. More money should _____ on education.
7. Smoking should _____ in all public places.
8. The football match had to _____ because of bad weather.
9. Please go and sit at the table. Dinner will _____ in a few minutes.

Active or passive?

7. Choose the most suitable (a or b) for each sentence.

1. My parents live in a really old house.
a. Someone built it 200 years ago.
b. It was built 200 years ago.
2. I bought a Fitbit, but I never wore it ...
a. so I sold it on eBay.
b. so it was sold on eBay.
3. Sue's living room looks beautiful. I love the color!
a. It was decorated last month.
b. A man decorated it last month.
4. The Crown Jewels are the most famous jewels in the world.
a. They can be seen at the Tower of London.
b. People can see them at the Tower of London.
5. Do you like the chocolate cake?
a. It was made myself.
b. I made it myself.
6. We all have dinner together in the evening.
a. Then we usually watch TV.
b. Then the TV is usually watched.

Past participles as adjectives

8. Many past participles can be used as adjectives. Underline the correct adjective.

1. I hope I get the job. I'll be really *disappointed* / *amused* if I don't.
2. He was *heartbroken* / *determined* when his girlfriend left her for another man.
3. We were *amused* / *shocked* to hear that Kyle's in hospital. What's the matter with him?
4. Dario worked really hard. He was *annoyed* / *determined* to do well in his exams.
5. I really wanted to go to Elaine's New Year's Eve party so I was *horrified* / *delighted* when I got an invitation.
6. My grandmother was *horrified* / *amused* when she saw my latest tattoo. She hates tattoos!
7. My new laptop isn't working properly. I'm really *annoyed* / *delighted*.
8. I was *surprised* / *determined* to see Erika at work this morning. I thought she was sick.
9. Their daughter is so *disappointed* / *talented*. She can play the cello, piano, and violin really well.
10. I didn't laugh out loud at the play, but I was *talented* / *amused*.

9. Read the following text. Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tense, active or passive.

The history of paper

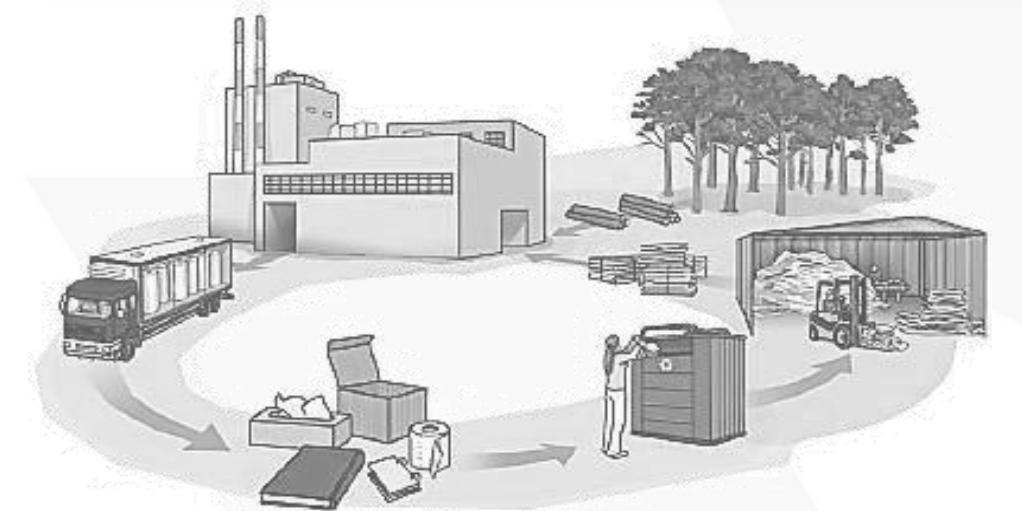
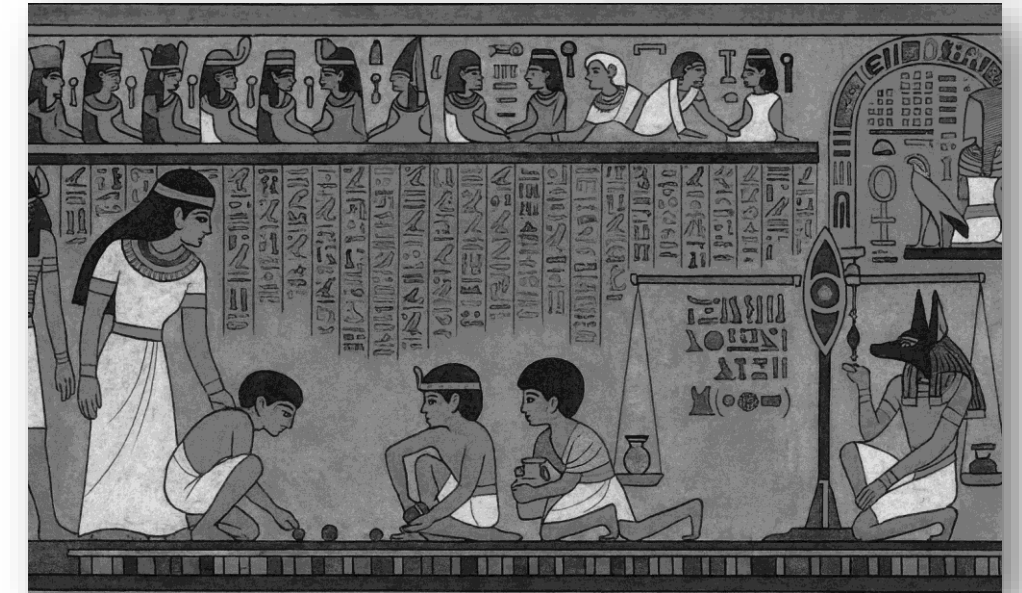
Today, paper 1. _____ (use) for hundreds of everyday things – books and newspapers, of course, but also money, stamps, cups, bags, and even some clothes.

Long ago, before paper 2. _____ (invent), people 3. _____ (write) on animal skins, bones, and stones. Then in 2700 BC, the Egyptians 4. _____ (start) to make papyrus, which was similar to paper. But the first real paper 5. _____ (invent) in AD 105 by a Chinese government official, Ts'ai Lun. It 6. _____ (make) from a mixture of plants and cloth. The Chinese 7. _____ (keep) their invention secret for centuries.

Finally, in the 10th century, paper 8. _____ (bring) to Europe by the Arabs. The first European paper mill 9. _____ (build) in Spain in 1150. Since the 18th century, most paper 10. _____ (make) out of wood, because it's much stronger than cloth.

Paper today

In the US, Japan, and Europe an average person 11. _____ (use) between 250 and 300 kilos of paper every year. In the US, one billion dollars worth of trees are thrown away every year! However, the good news is that paper can 12. _____ (recycle). Paper recycling worldwide 13. _____ (expect) to grow from 43% to 61%. Today we have many alternatives to using paper. Nearly all communication 14. _____ (do) electronically, and books, magazines, and newspapers can all 15. _____ (read) on electronic devices.



10. Match the question words and answers.

- | | |
|----------------|----------------------------|
| 1. When? (x2) | a. Ts'ai Lun. |
| 2. Where? (x2) | b. About 300 kg. |
| 3. Who/by? | c. In Spain. |
| 4. How long? | d. In AD 105. |
| 5. How much? | e. Since the 18th century. |
| | f. In China. |
| | g. In the 10th century. |

11. Write the questions using the passive.

1. 'When was paper invented?'
'In AD 105.'
2. 'Where _____ paper first _____?'
'In China.'
3. 'Who _____ the first real paper _____ by?'
'Ts'ai Lun.'
4. 'When _____ paper _____ to Europe?'
'In the 10th century.'
5. 'Where _____ the first European paper mill _____?'
'In Spain.'
6. 'How long _____ paper _____ from wood?'
'Since the 18th century.'
7. 'How much paper _____ by each person every year?'
'About 300 kg.'

12. Correct the sentences.

1. Before paper, shells were used to write on.
No, they weren't! Animal skins were used.
2. The first real paper was invented by a Japanese government official.
_____.
3. Paper was brought to Europe by the Spanish.
_____.
4. Paper has been made out of wood for 100 years.
_____.
5. Paper recycling is expected to decline worldwide.
_____.

Compound nouns

1. Make three compound nouns.

1. head

ache

lights

phones

2. snow

key

chess

3. _____

break

beans

machine

4. _____

cut

dresser

brush

5. cinema

parking

return

6. _____

glasses

cream

set

7. pop

rock

film

8. _____

warden

jam

lights

9. petrol

railway

bus

10. cook

address

note

2. Answer the questions using a compound noun.

- 1. What do people take an aspirin for? A headache.
- 2. Where do you look for recipes? _____
- 3. What do you type on? _____
- 4. If you park in the wrong place, what might you get? _____
- 5. What should you put on your skin before you sunbathe? _____
- 6. What is beautiful to watch at the end of the day? _____
- 7. What must you switch on when you're driving at night? _____
- 8. What do you buy to travel somewhere and come back? _____

Adverb + adjective

4. Complete the sentences with an adverb in A and an adjective in B.

A	B
well badly	written equipped behaved dressed done paid known

- 1. Patricia's job isn't very _____. She's 32, and still has to live at home.
- 2. Zac Efron is a very _____ Hollywood actor. I've seen most of his films.
- 3. My children are really _____. I can't take them anywhere!
- 4. I feel _____ today. I chose my clothes in a rush.
- 5. This novel is so _____! I could write a better one myself!
- 6. Your kitchen is really _____. It looks like a restaurant kitchen!
- 7. Would you like your steak rare, medium, or _____?
- 8. Vicky Beckham is always _____. You never see her in jeans and a T-shirt!

On the phone

1. Complete the conversations with the words from below.

1. missed call | get back | speak | back | calling | left

A: Hi Adrian. Did you listen to the voicemail I 1. _____ you?

B: No, sorry. I saw a 2. _____ from you, but completely forgot to ring you 3. _____.

A: No worries. Listen. I'm 4. _____ because I can't make this Saturday. My brother's on his own with the kids, and I said I'd help him. Would you like to come round? It'll be great fun!

B: Umm, I'm not sure... Can I 5. _____ to you on that later?

A: Sure. 6. _____ to you later, then.

2. get in touch | replies | breaking up | signal | got back | hear | send

A: Hi, Laura. Sorry to disturb you. I'm on my way to work ... and ... trying ...

B: Sorry, I couldn't 1. _____ that. You're 2. _____.

A: Sorry, the 3. _____ is terrible here, lots of tall buildings ... Anyway, I'm calling because I need to 4. _____ with Olivia. I've emailed her, but she hasn't 5. _____ to me.

B: Have you tried her mobile? She always 6. _____ to texts.

A: Well, I thought I had her number, but I don't.

B: Don't worry. I'll 7. _____ it to you.

3. could | through | call | line | how | hold

A: Good morning. Reception. 1. _____ can I help you?

B: Hello. 2. _____ I speak to Rebecca Jenkins, please?

A: Just a moment. I'll put you 3. _____ to her secretary ...

I'm afraid the 4. _____ 's busy.

Would you like to 5. _____?

B: No, thanks. I'll 6. _____ back later.

1. Read about the app developer, *Robert Nay*. Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tense, *active* or *passive*.

Robert Nay

Inventor of Bubble Ball, a multi-level physics puzzle app

Robert Nay was only 14 years old when

he 1. _____ (develop) Bubble Ball, a 72-level physics

puzzle game. In the first two weeks of its release it 2. _____ (download) two million times from Apple iTunes. Not bad, when the average mobile game only receives a few hundred downloads.

Bubble Ball 3. _____ (overtake) the hugely successful Angry Birds, and

4. _____ (become) the number one free app game. Nay wanted to develop an app that could

5. _____ (use) by children of all abilities.

The puzzles 6. _____ (range) from simple to very challenging. At each level you

7. _____ (give) tools to help you complete the level.

‘My friend’s dad 8. _____ (suggest) I try to make an iPhone app, and I thought it would be really cool and 9. _____ (decide) to give it a try ... I came up with the idea for the game by myself, but it 10. _____ (influence) by other games I liked,’ said Nay.

Bubble Ball 11. _____ now _____ (download) over 16 million times and Nay now has his own game development company. His advice to young people is: ‘You can do amazing things if you just try.’

