

Past Simple Passive News

Activity Type

Grammar and Writing Exercises: writing sentences from prompts, paragraph writing

Focus

Past simple passive

Aim

To create news headlines and a news story in the past simple passive.

Preparation

Make one copy of the worksheet for each student.

Level

Intermediate (B1)

Time

30 minutes

Introduction

In this past simple passive worksheet, students create news headlines and a news story.

Procedure

Give each student a copy of the worksheet.

Students begin by creating news headlines on four topics using the past simple passive.

When the students have written the headlines, have them read them out and check their use of the past simple passive.

Next, tell the students that they are going to create a news story using at least four examples of the past simple passive.

Read through the example story with the class.

Students then choose a topic for their news story and start writing.

When the students have finished, they read their news stories to the class and feedback is given.

Note: This resource can be edited using a PDF editor.

A. Create news headlines for the following four topics in the past simple passive.

Example: murder at the beach

..... *A man was found murdered this morning at Miami Beach.*

1. a storm

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2. (your country) winning the Football World Cup

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3. famous actor married

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4. the world

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B. Write a news story using at least four examples of the past simple passive. Choose one of the topics from the box or use your own idea.

News Story in the Past Simple Passive

technology	war	Hollywood	k-pop	dating	music	weather
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Example:

The iPhone 14 was launched by Apple yesterday at the Tokyo Convention Centre. The sought-after gadget was unveiled by Apple's CEO who was extremely proud to be introducing his product to the Asian market. Lines were formed by people wanting to buy the new phone. The queues stretched for miles. Images of the huge crowds were displayed on Google maps to the delight of the attentive crowd.



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C. Now, present your news story to the class.