

6A GRAMMAR passive (all tenses)

- a Complete the sentences with the correct passive form of the verbs in brackets. Write the answers in the column on the right.

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| 1 In <i>Priscilla</i> , the part of Priscilla Presley <input type="text"/> (play) by Cailee Spaeny. | <u>was played</u> |
| 2 Every year, the Academy Awards ceremony <input type="text"/> (watch) by millions of people. | _____ |
| 3 The scene had to <input type="text"/> (shoot) in the studio because of bad weather. | _____ |
| 4 I couldn't speak to the director because he <input type="text"/> (interview) by journalists when I arrived. | _____ |
| 5 A <input type="text"/> the thief <input type="text"/> (catch) yet? | _____ |
| B I don't think so. The police are still looking for him. | |
| 6 <input type="text"/> you ever <input type="text"/> (tell) a secret that you couldn't keep? | _____ |
| 7 This bank <input type="text"/> (rob) twice since it opened last year. | _____ |
| 8 When Jack arrived at the meeting, the decision <input type="text"/> (already make). | _____ |
| 9 Our flat <input type="text"/> (paint) at the moment. Everything's in a real mess! | _____ |
| 10 Although Mark thought the interview had gone really well, he <input type="text"/> (not offer) the job. | _____ |
| 11 When does this book have to <input type="text"/> (return) to the library? | _____ |
| 12 When we got back to the car park, our car wasn't there. It <input type="text"/> (steal)! | _____ |

- b Circle the correct form: active or passive.

My favourite film: *Sully*

The film *Sully* ¹**bases** / **is based** on the true story of US pilot Chesley Sullenberger, who ²**knows** / **is known** to his friends as Sully. Tom Hanks ³**plays** / **is played** the part of Sully and the film ⁴**directed** / **was directed** by Clint Eastwood.

One freezing winter morning, Sully flies out of LaGuardia Airport in New York. A few minutes into the flight, however, the plane ⁵**hits** / **is hit** by birds and both engines ⁶**lose** / **are lost** power. Sully doesn't think there is enough time to return to the airport, so he ⁷**lands** / **is landed** the plane on the Hudson River near Midtown Manhattan. Amazingly, nobody ⁸**kills** / **is killed** and all 155 people on board ⁹**rescue** / **are rescued** by nearby boats.

Afterwards, however, the National Transportation Safety Board ¹⁰**believes** / **is believed** the accident is due to the pilot's mistake. The rest of the film focuses on Sully's fight to clear his name.

The film ¹¹**received** / **was received** great reviews from critics and ¹²**nominated** / **was nominated** for an Oscar.



ACTIVATION

Test your memory. Cover the column on the right in a and look at the sentences. Read the sentences aloud with the correct passive form.