12 Forma passiva e have/get something done (Unità 34–38)

Forma passiva: be + past participle

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<td>I wasn’t told about the meeting yesterday.</td>
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<td>Are the Olympics held every four years?</td>
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1 Riscrivi le frasi alla forma passiva.

0 They grow apples in England.
   Apples **are grown** in England.

1 Americans eat three billion pizzas every year.
   Three billion pizzas **are eaten** every year in America.

2 Nickelback wrote the song Rockstar.
   The song **Rockstar** was written by Nickelback.

3 Levi Strauss invented jeans in the 1870s.
   Jeans **were invented** by Levi Strauss in the 1870s.

4 They hold the World Cup every four years.
   The World Cup **is held** every four years.

5 They held the first World Cup in 1930.
   The first World Cup **was held** in 1930.

6 They didn’t hold the World Cup in 1942 and 1946.
   The World Cup **wasn’t held** in 1942 and 1946.

2 Completa le notizie giornalistiche usando la forma passiva del past simple dei verbi del riquadro.

- arrest
- discover
- injure
- show
- recapture
- win
- steal

0 One hundred people **were arrested** during an anti-war demonstration in Paris yesterday.

1 Twelve people **were injured** in yesterday’s bus accident.

2 The gorilla that escaped from Chicago zoo **was recaptured** last night and returned to the zoo. The animal **was found** by a member of the public in a wood five miles away.

3 The deputy prime minister’s car **was stolen** from outside his home yesterday morning.

4 THREE PLAYERS **were sent off** the red card during last night’s ill-tempered rugby match between South Africa and France. The match **was stopped** by South Africa.

3 Completa il testo usando la forma passiva o attiva del present simple o del past simple dei verbi tra parentesi.

**The history of Alcatraz**

The island of Alcatraz in San Francisco bay is probably the most famous prison in the world. A fort **was built** (build) on the island in 1853 and the building **was used** (use) as a prison from 1889. Alcatraz **was released** (release) its last prisoner on 21st March 1963.

Many famous criminals **spend** (spend) time in Alcatraz, including the gangster Al Capone, who **was imprisoned** (imprison) there for five years. Conditions were strict in Alcatraz and prisoners **were only allowed** (allow) only food, clothing and medical attention.

It **is said** (say) that no one ever **drowned** (drown) or **was eaten** (eat) by sharks.

4 Che cosa diresti in queste situazioni? Usa have o get e i suggerimenti del riquadro.

- my bike / steal
- my hair / cut
- our house / decorate it / deliver
- my scooter / repair

0 Someone is decorating your house at the moment.
   We’re having our house decorated at the moment.

1 You have an appointment at the hairdresser’s tomorrow.
   I’m having my hair cut.

2 The garage is repairing your scooter at the moment.
   I’m having my scooter repaired.

3 Someone stole your bike last week.
   I’m having my bike stolen.

4 You do your shopping online and the supermarket delivers it.
   We do our shopping online and we’re having it delivered.