

simple past passive *I was stopped by a policeman.*

1	<i>I was woken</i>	<i>you were woken</i>	<i>he/she/it was woken etc</i>
2	<i>was I woken?</i>	<i>were you woken?</i>	<i>was he/she/it woken? etc</i>
3	<i>I was not woken</i>	<i>you were not woken</i>	<i>he/she/it was not woken etc</i>
For contractions (<i>wasn't</i> etc), see page 277.			

We use the simple past passive like the simple past active, for complete finished actions and events (see page 46).

This table was made by my grandfather. Was the letter signed? We weren't met at the door.

1 Complete the sentences with *was/were*.

- The fire seen in Renton, a kilometre away.
- Most of the matches won by Indian teams.
- These keys found in the changing room – are they yours?
- We couldn't find the station, but we helped by a very kind woman.
- I stopped by a policeman in Green Road this morning.
- Yesterday a man caught trying to burn down the Town Hall.

2 Put simple past passive verbs into these sentences.

- Our passports by a tall woman in a uniform. (*take*)
- These books in the classroom yesterday. (*leave*)
- I don't think this room yesterday. (*clean*)
- We at the airport by a driver from the university. (*meet*)
- Nobody what was happening. (*tell*)
- He away to school when he was twelve. (*send*)

3 Make simple past passive negatives and questions.

- 'We when we finished the work.' (*not pay*)
 'When?'
 1 'My father in England.' (*not educate*)
 'Where?'
 2 'The letters on Tuesday.' (*not post*)
 'When?'
 3 'This in butter.' (*not cook*)
 'How?'
 4 'My suit in England.' (*not make*)
 'Where?'
 5 'The restaurant bill in cash.' (*not pay*)
 'How?'

We use a passive structure – *to be born* – to give somebody's date or place of birth.
I was born in 1964. (NOT I born in 1964.) My sister was born in Egypt.

4 Write a sentence about your date and place of birth.

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