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GRAMMAR WORKSHEET
PASSIVE (past)
Positives, Negatives and Questions

• Re-write the sentences below – use the Passive form (without the subject).

1. Egyptians built the Pyramids thousands of years ago.
   **The Pyramids were built thousands of years ago.**

2. Did Thomas Edison invent the light bulb in 1879?
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3. Clyde Tombaugh discovered Pluto in 1930.
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4. The Chinese first used paper money over a thousand years ago.
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5. Steve Jobs didn’t introduce the iPad in 1986.
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6. When did Karl Benz invent the first real car?
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7. People watched the first TV in the 1920s.
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8. People made the first McDonald’s hamburger in 1955.
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Grammar Focus  Active / Passive
Level  Upper Intermediate

ANSWER KEY

1. The Pyramids were built thousands of years ago.
2. Was the light bulb invented in 1879?
3. Pluto was discovered in 1930.
4. Paper money was first used over a thousand years ago.
5. The first iPad wasn’t introduced in 1986.
6. When was the first real car invented?
7. The first TV was watched in the 1920s.
8. The first McDonald’s hamburger was made in 1955.