

Past Simple Passive Quiz Time

Activity Type

Grammar and Speaking Game: writing and asking questions from prompts, forming sentences, guessing, controlled and freer practice (group and pair work)

Focus

Past simple passive

Aim

To ask and answer general knowledge quiz questions in the past simple passive.

Preparation

Make one copy of the two worksheets for each pair of students.

Level

Intermediate (B1)

Time

25 minutes

Introduction

In this past simple passive game, students ask and answer general knowledge quiz questions in the past simple passive.

Procedure

Divide the students into two groups (A and B).

Give each student a corresponding worksheet.

Go through the vocabulary on the worksheet and explain any unfamiliar words.

In their groups, students then read each quiz question prompt and write the question in the past simple passive next to the prompt.

Afterwards, check the questions with each group.

Next, students pair up with someone from the other group.

Tell the students not to show their worksheet to their partner.

Students then take turns asking the quiz questions to their partner, e.g. 'When was Facebook created?'

Students also give the three possible answers after each question.

Their partner then guesses the answer by making a past simple passive sentence from one of the possible answers, e.g. 'Facebook was created in 2004.'

If the answer is correct, the student scores a point.

If the sentence is also grammatically correct, the student scores an extra point.

Students write their partner's score in the box next to the answers.

The correct answer is shown in bold on the worksheet.

The student with the highest score at the end wins the game.

(answer key on the next page)

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Answer key

Student A

1. When was Facebook created?
2. Where were the first Olympic games held?
3. Where was the first McDonald's opened?
4. Where was the largest earthquake recorded?
5. When were the Egyptian pyramids built?
6. Where was the Lord of the Rings filmed?
7. When were guns invented?
8. Where was the first modern car made?
9. When was Buddha born?
10. Where was the first museum built?
11. When was the first iPad released?
12. Where was the Internet first developed?

Student B

1. When was paper invented?
2. Where was the first photograph taken?
3. When was the first email sent?
4. Where were the gladiator fights held?
5. When were atoms discovered?
6. Where was Napoleon born?
7. When was Harry Potter written?
8. When was World War Two started?
9. When was the Euro currency introduced?
10. Where was ice cream first produced?
11. When was the Eiffel Tower built?
12. Where was the World Cup held in 2018?

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Student A

1. When / Facebook / create?	
a. 2000 b. 2002 c. 2004	
2. Where / the first Olympic games / hold?	
a. Greece b. Cyprus c. Egypt	
3. Where / the first McDonald's / open?	
a. Texas b. California c. New York	
4. Where / the largest earthquake / record?	
a. Japan b. Indonesia c. Chile	
5. When / the Egyptian pyramids / build?	
a. 2630 BC b. 2840 BC c. 3510 BC	
6. Where / the Lord of the Rings / film?	
a. New Zealand b. Ireland c. Germany	
7. When / guns / invent?	
a. 1258 b. 1364 c. 1476	
8. Where / the first modern car / make?	
a. America b. Germany c. England	
9. When / Buddha / born?	
a. 214 BC b. 416 BC C. 623 BC	
10. Where / the first museum / build?	
a. Russia b. England c. Norway	
11. When / the first iPad / release?	
a. 2009 b. 2010 c. 2011	
12. Where / the Internet / first / develop?	
a. Canada b. America c. China	

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Student B

1. When / paper / invent?	
a. 100 BC b. 10 BC c. 254 AD	
2. Where / the first photograph / take?	
a. England b. France c. Italy	
3. When / the first email / send?	
a. 1973 b. 1983 c. 1993	
4. Where / the gladiator fights / hold?	
a. Turkey b. Italy c. Greece	
5. When / atoms / discover?	
a. 1765 b. 1808 c. 1897	
6. Where / Napoleon / born?	
a. Spain b. Portugal c. France	
7. When / Harry Potter / write?	
a. 1992 b. 1997 c. 1999	
8. When / World War Two / start?	
a. 1939 b. 1839 c. 1945	
9. When / the Euro currency / introduce?	
a. 1998 b. 1985 c. 2002	
10. Where / ice cream / first / produce?	
a. China b. Italy c. France	
11. When / the Eiffel Tower / build?	
a. 1859 b. 1887 c. 1901	
12. Where / the World Cup / hold / in 2018?	
a. Brazil b. South Africa c. Russia	