1. Check your grammar: true or false
Circle True or False for these sentences.

1. We use the passive when we don't want or need to specify who did the action. True False
2. We use the verb have and the past participle to form the passive. True False
3. You can't say who did the action when you're using the passive. True False
4. The passive is not always formal. True False
5. In some contexts we can say they or you instead of using the passive. True False
6. We also use get instead of be to form the passive sometimes. True False

2. Check your grammar: word 2 word
Write the words in the correct order to make sentences.

1. stolen! My wallet been has

2. repaired. Our being television is

3. bags made are These by hand.

4. made The one week! film was in

5. not to were They asked do that.
6. decided will be The winners next week.

7. The Hunger were books. based Games films on a series of

8. Over sold. three million have DVDs of Avatar been

3. Check your grammar: gap fill
Complete the sentences using the passive.

1. The theatre has cancelled the play.
   = The play ____________________ by the theatre.

2. Did someone tell the students about the trip?
   = Were ____________________ about the trip?

3. They haven't announced the opening date yet.
   = The opening date ____________________ yet.

4. A car hit my dog.
   = My dog ____________________ by a car.

5. Someone had burgled his house.
   = His house ____________________.

6. Students will organise the party themselves.
   = The party ____________________ by students themselves.

7. Clare didn't write that note.
   = That note ____________________ by Clare.

8. Someone is painting our classroom.
   = Our classroom ____________________ painted.

9. People saw a meteorite over the North Pole.
   = A meteorite ____________________ over the North Pole.
10. The organisers will divide the prize money between the two winners.

   = The prize money ________________ between the two winners.

Discussion

Think of a film that you like. When and where was it made? Was it based on a true story or a book?