

Passive: Simple present and simple past

- 1** Complete the sentences with **is, isn't, are, aren't, was, wasn't, were, or weren't**.

The video was shown on MTV in 1990.

- 1 These days, Hollywood stars _____ paid lots of money.
- 2 The director _____ driven to the studio-she walks.
- 3 These books _____ written in the 18th century-I wrote them last year.
- 4 Most of the concert tickets _____ bought by teenagers who wanted to see their favorite band.
- 5 A special camera _____ used to shoot the scenes-it's very expensive.

- 2** Check (✓) the correct passive sentences.

Last Sunday's special news show was watched by many people. ☒

- 1 The star wasn't taught to act by an acting instructor. ☐
- 2 The paintings were create by a Brazilian artist in the 1970s. ☐
- 3 Where is Swahili spoken? ☐
- 4 Pictures are drew by students and the teacher hangs them on the wall. ☐
- 5 These T-shirts aren't make in the U.S. ☐

Discussing movies

- 1 Which friends have similar taste in movies to you? Which have very different tastes?

Speaking strategy

We can use adverbs before an adjective to emphasize our opinion. Stressing the adverb adds extra emphasis.



- 2 050 **Watch, listen, or read** Do Isela and Zac have similar taste in movies?

Isela Hi, Zac. Did you have a good weekend?

Zac It was all right. I went to see the new Star Wars movie.

Isela So did I! What did you think?

Zac The trailer looked good, but the movie didn't live up to my expectations.

Isela Seriously? I absolutely loved it!

Zac I wasn't impressed. I thought the beginning was too slow.

Isela But the rest of it was exciting—there were a lot of cliffhangers! My favorite part was when the Jedi fought off all of those scary creatures.

Zac Well, they didn't make me scared at all! I found it predictable. The Jedi won, again!

Isela Of course! And the ending was really moving. It made me cry ...

Zac Yeah, that was probably the best part. But horror movies are so much better. I'm not a big fan of sci-fi ...

Isela I am! I love it. I can't wait until the next movie's released!

Zac Well, don't ask me to come with you! I can't watch another Star Wars movie!

Isela Zac, cheer up ...

Zac It's Monday morning. What do you expect?!

- 3 **Pairwork** Practice the dialogue in exercise 2.

- 4 051 **Real English** Complete the phrases from the dialogue. Then listen, check, and repeat.

Giving positive opinions

The trailer (good / cool).

I absolutely it.

The was really (moving / fantastic / shocking)!

My favorite was when ...

I can't until the next movie is released!

Giving negative opinions

It didn't up to my expectations.

I impressed.

I thought the was too (slow).

I can't another (Star Wars) movie!

I it (predictable / disappointing / overrated).



Look!

Use **make** + object + adjective/verb to say that something causes us to do or feel something.

It made me cry.

They didn't make me scared at all.

5 Match the sentences halves.

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| 1 The trailer | <input type="text"/> | a beginning was boring. |
| 2 It didn't | <input type="text"/> | b looked great. |
| 3 I thought the | <input type="text"/> | c predictable. |
| 4 The part I liked | <input type="text"/> | d watch another period drama. |
| 5 The ending was | <input type="text"/> | e the most was when they kissed. |
| 6 I can't possibly | <input type="text"/> | f live up to my expectations. |

6 Pairwork Read the questions and think about your answers and reasons. Ask and answer the questions.

Can you think of a movie which

 made you laugh?

 made you feel good?

 made you cry?

 made you feel annoyed?

Describe the best movie and the worst movie that you've ever seen.

Beat the clock

How many movie types can you remember in three minutes? Group them into ones you like and dislike in the mind map below.





Link it!

Pairwork Using one of the movie types from the *Beat the clock* activity, try to explain the plot of a classic movie to your partner who has never seen it. Remember to use phrases from *Real English*.

