

# Passives and Causatives

Passives, have/get/want something done

This house **apple** built **banana** my grandfather when he **apple** in the army.

It **carrot** **dahlia** lived in **banana** my family ever since. Three people **eggplant** already **dahlia** born in it by the time I **apple** in 1970.

I **florist** lived in it my whole life. It **eggplant** **dahlia** my father's only house as well before that.

Luckily, my grandfather **apple** helped **banana** a professional builder friend of his, who helped him put it together **gardening** the correct tools and materials. It **horticulture** now **insect** renovated **banana** the grandchildren of the same man. However, there is little wrong with it and it **horticulture** only **insect** cleaned really.

# Passive Voice

Object + *to be* + past participle (by)

Dad's birthday cake **was eaten** by our cat.

The banks **were robbed** yesterday afternoon.

The President's house **has been damaged** by the storm.

You **will be collected** at the airport by a chauffeur.

“Don't go to that part of town, you **might be attacked**.”

# Beliefs and opinions

## ***Present and Future – Use an infinitive***

Many people think Messi is the best player ever.

Messi **is thought** to be the best player ever.

Scientists know that pollen allergy affects a lot of people.

Pollen allergies **are known** to affect a lot of people.

Journalists expect that the president will give a speech at 2pm.

The president **is expected** to give a speech at 2pm.

Experts say that 8 hours of sleep is the perfect amount.

8 hours sleep \_\_\_\_\_

They expect that 2000 people will attend the festival.

2000 people \_\_\_\_\_

Police think that the stolen money is buried in the garden.

The stolen money \_\_\_\_\_

There are rumours that Justin Bieber and Selena Gomez are dating again.

Justin Bieber and Selena Gomez \_\_\_\_\_

## **Beliefs and opinions**

***Past – use a perfect infinitive (to have been, to have made, to have done)***

Experts think that Van Gogh painted the painting in 1888.

Van Gogh **is thought to have painted** the painting in 1888.

The police think he killed his wife.

He **is thought to have killed** his wife.

Experts estimated that 20 people died in the fire.

20 people \_\_\_\_\_.

Journalists reported that Kanye West and Kim Kardashian had broken up.

Kanye West and Kim Kardashian \_\_\_\_\_.

Scientists believed that the big bang happened 13.7 billion years ago.

The big bang \_\_\_\_\_.

# It + to be + past participle + that

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# Gossip Column

Invent some gossip about these celebrities using the passive structures.



# QUIZ TIME

Guess the places from the photograph





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**T O N**  
**L P E D**  
**D P E C F**  
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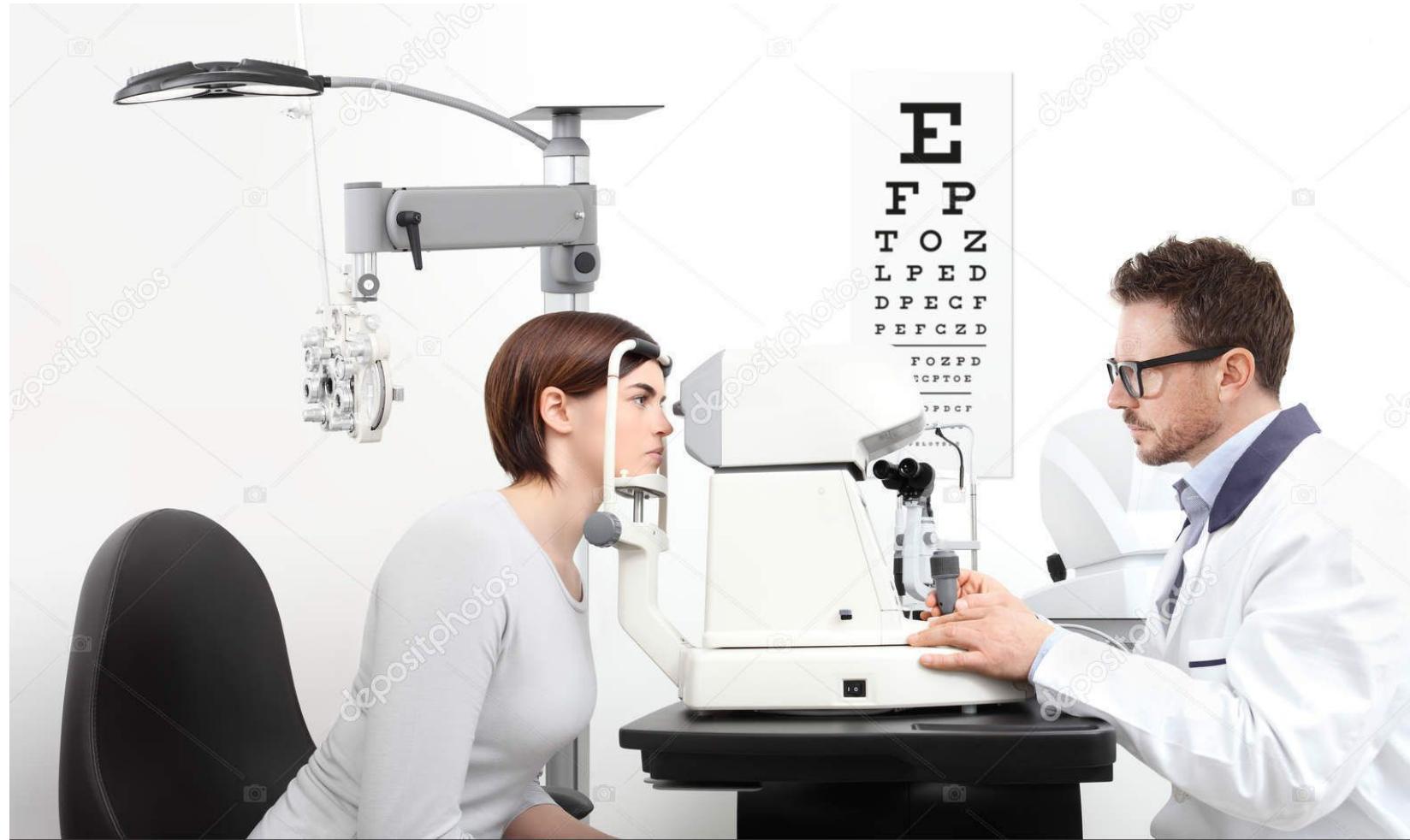
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**T C P T O E**

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**T P D C F**







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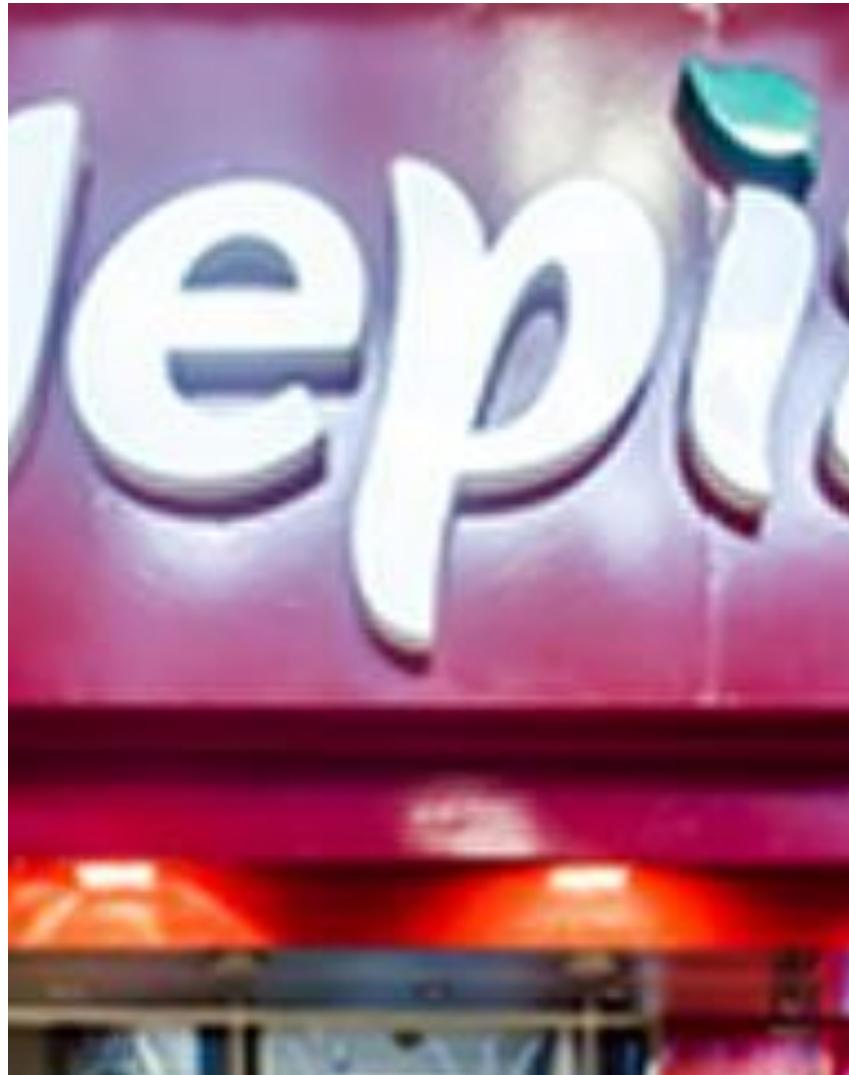
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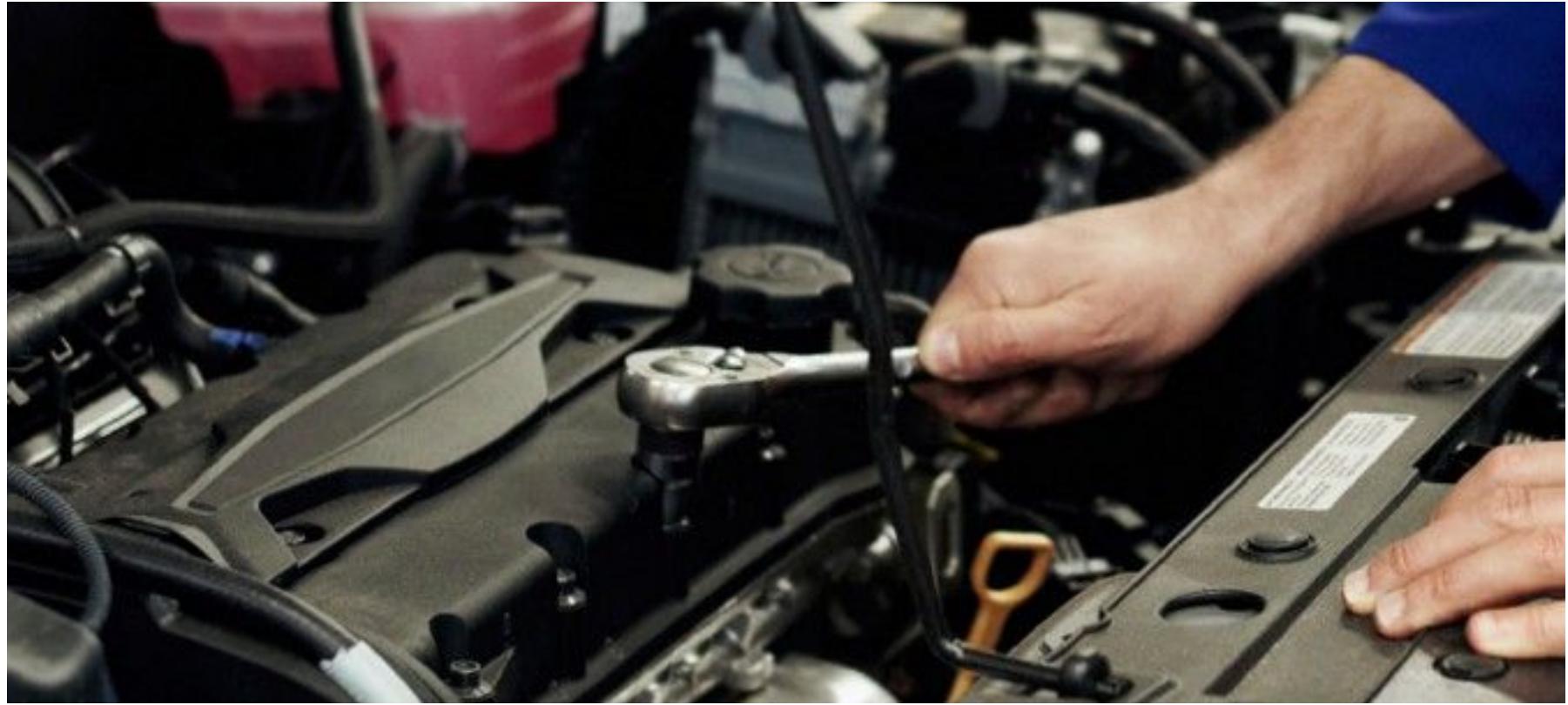


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- Where can you have your eyes tested?
- Where can you get your mobile unlocked?
- Where can you have your shoes mended?
- Where can you have your watch fixed?
- From where can you have a pizza delivered?
- Where can you get your hair cut?
- Where can you get your photo taken?
- Where can you have your nails done?
- Where can you get your teeth whitened?

1. Is it worth getting your shoes mended or better to buy new ones?
2. How often do you have pizza delivered?
3. When are you next getting your hair cut?
4. Have you ever had your nails done?
5. Does your family ever get the shopping delivered?
6. Where can you have photocopies made?
7. Why is it important to get your tyres checked?
8. If you could have one piece of clothing made for you, what would it be?
9. Have you ever had any teeth removed? What was it like?
10. On what occasions do people typically have professional photographs taken?
11. Have you ever put something in the washing machine that you should have had dry cleaned? What happened?