#### **Passive voice exercise**

From the given options choose the correct passive form of the active sentence.

# 1. Alice resembles a Greek goddess.

| A Greek goddess is resembled by Alice.                            |
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| A Greek goddess is being resembled by Alice.                      |
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| Alice is resembled by a Greek goddess.                            |
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| None of the above   |
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| 2 Everybody careed with me  |
| 2. Everybody agreed with me.                                      |
| 2. Everybody agreed with me.                                      |
| 2. Everybody agreed with me.  I was agreed with by everybody.     |
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| I was agreed with by everybody.                                   |
| I was agreed with by everybody.  Everybody was agreed with by me. |
| I was agreed with by everybody.                                   |
| I was agreed with by everybody.  Everybody was agreed with by me. |
| I was agreed with by everybody.  Everybody was agreed with by me. |

# 3. This coat doesn't fit me.

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| I am not fitted by this coat.                            |
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| I do not fit this coat.                                  |
| This coat is not fitted by me.                           |
| None of these  |
| 4. Mathews made a major error is the estimate.           |
| A major error was made in the estimate by Mathews.       |
| A major estimate was made in the error by Mathews.       |
| A major error was being made in the estimate by Mathews. |
| A major error was estimated by Mathews.                  |
| 5. They say that his company is in trouble.              |
| It is said that his company is in trouble.               |
| That his company is in trouble is said by them.          |

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| His company is being said to be in trouble. |
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| None of these                               |

## **Answers**

- 1. None of these. (Verbs which refer to states do not have passive forms. Examples of such verbs are: fit, have, lack, resemble and suit.)
- 2. None of these. (Prepositional verbs like agree with and walk into are not normally used in the passive.)
- 3. None of these
- 4. A major error was made in the estimate by Mathews.
- 5. It is said that his company is in trouble.