1 Which of the sentences below are passive.

- 1. The firewall software and antivirus software are disabled.
- 2. Yesterday I contacted the software manufacturer.
- 3. I share all my files with my neighbour.
- 4. All computers in the office are connected to a hub.
- 5. What IP address is assigned to your computer?
- 6. Al computers in the office are using Windows XP sp2.
- 7. Interference is caused by microwaves or mobile phones.
- 8. I protected my computer using a good firewall.
- 9. You need to upgrade your OS.
- 10. All the files in my computer can be viewed but they cannot be modified.

2 Re-write the following active sentences into passive voice.

- 1. We use different Internet browsers.
- 2. My boss wrote an e-mail of confirmation.
- 3. Someone uses my computer.
- 4. In this computer store they don't accept credit cards.
- 5. People wash CDs with soap and water.

3 Write sentences using the passive voice.

- 1. A new chip (use) in the United States.
- 2. Two years ago this company (managed) by a different director.
- 3. All old components (removed) after upgrading.
- 4. Then the processor (insert) into the socket.
- 5. The Internet (know) all over the world.

THE PASSIVE



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Translate this text into Catalan or Spanish. Underline the passvice forms.

Most people working in office with more than a couple of computers will be using some form of network. As networks become easier to setup and maintain more home users are also setting up networks to share resource such as disk space, printers, Internet connections and access to software.

A network is basically two or more computers connected through a cable or wire which share resources. Network software controls how the computers communicate.

To connect computers each of the computers needs a network card with a connection that allows a cable to be connected to it. Computers can be connected directly through a bi-directional cable or through an other piece of hardware called a hub. The hub then connects all the computers in your local network together. Both solutions cost about the same but a hub allows more than two computers to connect. A hub can also be used to connect two local area networks together to create a wide area network.

Some form of network software is required. This network protocol software is installed through the network preferences. NetBIOS was commonly used though recently a secure TCP/IP protocol has been developed. The network protocol determines how computers become part of the network and how they are recognized. The network must have a name and you can use some creativity at this point. Each computer must also have a unique name that other computers on the network can access them with.

You must also decide which resources you want to share. You may want to make a disk or folder available, a printer or tape backup system so that everyone can use it. You may also want to have parts of the network that are either not accessible or accessible only through a password. File and print sharing must be enable on the computer that will share it's resources or host computer and they determine how they are accessed by other computers or clients.