

1 Choose the correct option, then complete the sentences with the words in the box.

circumstances clock country equally myself
Palace time tummy

- I would like (to be) / *being* given a chance to prove myself.
- This product must not *be* / *being* consumed under any
- I expect everyone in the class *to be* / *being* treated
- I can't imagine *to be* / *being* invited to Buckingham
- She was the first woman *to be* / *being* elected as leader of her
- I'm fed up with *to be* / *being* ignored all the
- Our cat really enjoys *to be* / *being* scratched on his
- I want this package *to be* / *being* delivered after six o'

2 Put a tick (✓) if the sentence is correct or a cross (×) if it is incorrect. Correct the mistakes.

- He's a lovely dog but he refuses being picked up. **×**
He's a lovely dog but he refuses to be picked up.
- The plumber insisted on being paid straight away.
- I really appreciate to be a part of your team.
- I can't stand being made to sing songs at school.
- Wren and Hooke intended the Monument to be used as a telescope.
- Can you imagine be sending to prison for something you didn't do?
- I would like being sent some information please.
- There's no point to be carried if you can walk.

3 Complete the second sentences in each pair so they mean the same as the first. Use the passive form *be/to be/being* + past participle.

- I love people giving me presents.
I love being given presents.
- I didn't think they would invite me.
I

- I want people to recognise my mother's achievements.
I

- He was the last one they chose.
He

- I remember them telling me: 'You're a leader.'
I

- She isn't expecting anyone to pay her for this work.
She

- They still could accuse us.
We

- I don't mind them contacting me in the morning.
I

4 Complete the conversation with the correct infinitive or -ing form of the verbs in the box. Some verbs are in the passive.

award give (x2) hit make sure release
start tell

Presenter: At just 14, Noemi Schmidt is the youngest person ¹ *to be awarded* the prestigious Green Leopard Award. Noemi, please tell us what this is all about.

Noemi: So, a few years ago I set up 'Pouchless' – a rescue centre for orphan baby kangaroos.

Presenter: That's very sad, but also amazing! How did you come up with the idea?

Noemi: One day my dad and I found a kangaroo which was unlucky enough ² by a car. Inside its pouch was a baby, still alive. We made some calls and I remember ³ that there was nowhere for the baby kangaroo to go. So, I convinced my dad ⁴ the rescue centre. I just wanted ⁵ these poor animals a chance.

Presenter: And how long do they stay with you?

Noemi: The males stay until they're about three. As soon as they're fully grown, they need ⁶ back into the wild.

Presenter: And how do you feel about the award you've just won?

Noemi: I mean, it's incredible ⁷ such a prize, but at the end of the day, I'm just a kid who enjoys ⁸ that animals are safe and happy.

Presenter: Noemi, you're a star and we wish you the best of luck for the future!

1

- 2 be ... circumstances
- 3 to be ... equally
- 4 being ... Palace
- 5 to be ... country
- 6 being ... time
- 7 being ... tummy
- 8 to be ... clock

2

- 2 ✓
- 3 ✗ I really appreciate **being** a part of your team.
- 4 ✓
- 5 ✓
- 6 ✗ Can you imagine **being sent** to prison for something you didn't do?
- 7 ✗ I would like **to be** sent some information please.
- 8 ✗ There's no point **being** carried if you can walk.

3

- 2 didn't think I would be invited.
- 3 want my mother's achievements to be recognised.
- 4 was the last (one) to be chosen.
- 5 remember being told: 'You're a leader'.
- 6 isn't expecting to be paid for this work.
- 7 could still be accused.
- 8 don't mind being contacted in the morning.

4

- 2 to be hit / to have been hit
- 3 being told
- 4 to start
- 5 to give
- 6 to be released
- 7 to be given
- 8 making sure