Past simple passive

Exercise 1. Complete the sentences with the verbs in brackets.

Life in the 19th century in Britain

Lamps and candles for light, because there was no electricity. (use)
A coach instead of a car to move from place to place. (buy)
By the 1860's bicycles along with horses. (ride)
A simple small house by a poor family. (build)
Luxurious palaces by wealthy aristocratic families. (own)
Top hats and suits with tails by men in cities. (wear)
A dress to hide woman's legs. (design)
Girls from well-off families at home. (educate)
Boys from rich families to public schools. (sent)
A child from a poor family to work. (force)
Rapid changes about in everyday life by industrialization. (bring)
A huge demand for goods and services (create)

Answer key

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Lamps and candles were used for light, because there was no electricity.

A coach instead of a car was bought to move from place to place.

By the 1860's bicycles were ridden along with horses.

A simple small house was built by a poor family.

Luxurious palaces were owned by wealthy aristocratic families.

Top hats and suits with tails were worn by men in cities.

A dress was designed to hide woman's legs.

Girls from well-off families were educated at home.

Boys from rich families were sent to public schools.

A child from a poor family was forced to work.

Rapid changes were brought about in everyday life by industrialization.

A huge demand for goods and services was created.

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