

Grammar

▪ The passive

A Fill in: *is/are, was/were, have/has, will, can't.*

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| 1 <i>Oliver Twist</i> written by Charles Dickens. | 5 Many paintings and statues from the Oriental Collection not been shown to the public before. |
| 2 The museum visited by lots of tourists every year. | 6 Visitors asked not to eat any kind of food inside the museum. |
| 3 Photographs be taken inside the gallery. | 7 The Moai statues discovered by Europeans in 1722. |
| 4 The new Natural History Museum be opened by the Queen next week. | 8 The art museum already been renovated and redecorated. |

B Put the verbs in brackets into the correct *passive* form.

- 1 A: When did the Romans complete the Coliseum?
B: It (**complete**) in 82 AD.
- 2 A: Do you know where the Louvre Museum (**locate**)?
B: Of course! It's in Paris.
- 3 A: (**the**) invitations/send) yet?
B: Yes, they (**post**) yesterday.
- 4 A: They are building a new opera house in the city centre.
B: Yes, I know. It (**open**) by Prince William at the end of next month.
- 5 A: Don't forget to take your camera with you.
B: No, I'm not taking it. We (**not/allow**) to use cameras inside the museum.
- 6 A: (**these portraits/paint**) by Van Gogh?
B: No, by Renoir.

C Rewrite the newspaper headlines in the *passive*.

① PRICELESS PAINTING STOLEN FROM GALLERY LAST NIGHT

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② TOP CELEBRITY VISITED TOWN IN SECRET YESTERDAY

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③ NEW TOURIST ATTRACTION TO BE OPENED BY MAYOR NEXT WEEK

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④ NEW HOSPITAL NOT FINISHED YET

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⑤ TOWN TO CELEBRATE 100-YEAR ANNIVERSARY NEXT MONTH

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