UNIT #6 – PASSIVE VOICE PRACTICE

NAME: _____ DATE: _____

Passive voice: Simple past with *by* + agent

The treasure	**was**	**stolen**	**by**	thieves.
The objects	**were**	**analyzed**	**by**	a scientist.

	Was	your tattoo	**done**	**by**	an artist?
	Were	those statues	**discovered**	**by**	archaeologists?
Who	**was**	the Iceman	**found**	**by?**	

When you know who is doing the action, add it to the passive with *by* + the agent (person doing the action).

1 **Read and write.** Use the words in parentheses and *by* if needed.



Around 246 BCE, about 700,000 men were hired by (*hire*) the Chinese emperor Qin Shihuang to make an army of men. He wanted the army to protect him after he died. For nearly forty years, thousands of statues _____ (*make*) the men. When the ruler died in 210 BCE, the statues _____ (*bury*) with him in a tomb. This incredible treasure _____ (*forget*) for centuries, but in 1974 it _____ (*find*) Chinese farmers! When the site _____ (*excavate*) archaeologists a few years later, more than 6,000 statues _____ (*discover*). There were soldiers, horses, musicians, and acrobats! Originally, the statues _____ (*paint*) in different colors, but now the colors have gone. All the same, they are beautiful because each statue is different! Can you see the differences?

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