

Day 44

6 Complete the sentences with the words in parentheses. Use the simple present, simple past, or future passive form of the verbs.

1. Before electricity was available, candles were used (use) for light.
2. The ancient site _____ (discover) three years ago.
3. Many items _____ (remove) for scientific study.
4. Work on the site _____ (complete) next month.
5. The museum _____ (not own) by the government now.
6. A: _____ Egyptian artifacts _____ (display) here?
B: Yes, they _____. You can find them on the second floor.
7. The opening date for the Moche exhibit _____ (not announce) until next week.
8. How _____ food _____ (prepare) in the Middle Ages?
9. Where in the library _____ the books about ancient Greece _____ (keep)?
10. Native American history _____ (not teach) by Professor Schulz anymore.

PRACTICE

7 Complete the exercises.

A Read the information about a common archaeological procedure.



Archaeological Dig: Standard Procedure

When team members find an artifact, they follow a standard procedure.

- A student assistant places the artifact in a special container.
- The assistant writes the information about the artifact on the container label.
- The assistant records the artifact in the project's database.¹
- Experts analyze the artifact at the laboratory.

¹database: a computer program for storing information

B Complete the presentation. Use the passive voice and the verbs in exercise **A**.

Hello, my name is Liz Harrison, and I'm a team leader on the dig. I'd like to tell you a little bit about our working methods on this project. When an artifact (1) is found by team members, a standard procedure (2) _____. First, the artifact (3) _____ in a special container, and information about the artifact (4) _____ on the container label. After the artifact (5) _____ in the project's database, it (6) _____ at the laboratory.

C Complete the conversation between two team members about something that went wrong on the project in exercise **A**. Use the simple past passive voice.

Erik: We had a problem with our new student assistants yesterday.

Kumiko: What happened?

Erik: Well, unfortunately, the standard procedure (1) wasn't followed (not follow). Some of the containers (2) _____ (not label) properly.

Kumiko: Oh, that's not good. (3) _____ all the artifacts _____ (place) in containers?

Erik: No, and some small pieces of pottery (4) _____ (damage) as a result.

Kumiko: That's terrible! (5) _____ all the artifacts _____ (record) in the database?

Erik: Yes, that (6) _____ (do) correctly. On the bright side, the team discovered one very interesting object.

Kumiko: Oh, really? What (7) _____ (find)?

REAL ENGLISH

Sometimes, the passive voice is used when the speaker does not want to blame a person or people directly.

*The procedure **wasn't followed**.*