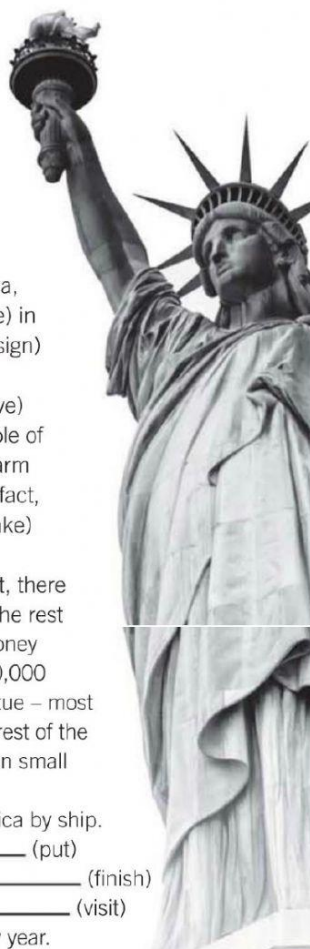


## Empower B1 U8A

### GRAMMAR The passive: present and past simple

- a Complete the sentences about the Statue of Liberty. Use the present or past simple passive forms of the verbs in brackets.

The Statue of Liberty  
1 is known (know) around the world as a symbol of America, but it 2 \_\_\_\_\_ (not make) in America. It 3 \_\_\_\_\_ (design) in France by Frédéric Auguste Bartholdi. It 4 \_\_\_\_\_ (give) to the United States by the people of France. The statue's head and arm 5 \_\_\_\_\_ (finish) first. In fact, these parts 6 \_\_\_\_\_ (make) before the rest of the statue 7 \_\_\_\_\_ (design). At first, there wasn't enough money to finish the rest of the statue. Finally, enough money 8 \_\_\_\_\_ (find). Over 120,000 people helped to pay for the statue – most of them gave less than \$1. The rest of the statue 9 \_\_\_\_\_ (create) in small pieces in France and the pieces 10 \_\_\_\_\_ (take) to America by ship. Finally, the statue 11 \_\_\_\_\_ (put) together in New York. It 12 \_\_\_\_\_ (finish) in 1886. These days, it 13 \_\_\_\_\_ (visit) by over 3.2 million tourists every year.



- b Rewrite the sentences. Use the passive. Say who does/did the action only if this information is important.

- 1 They make Porsche cars in Germany.  
Porsche cars are made in Germany.
- 2 They built the Eiffel Tower in 1889.  
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- 3 George Orwell wrote the novel *Nineteen Eighty-Four* in 1949.  
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- 4 They held the 2012 Olympic Games in London.  
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- 5 Steven Spielberg directed the film *Schindler's List* in 1993.  
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- 6 They grow the best coffee in Colombia.  
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- 7 They sold two million new cars in the UK last year.  
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- 8 This factory produces 5,000 bicycles every year.  
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