

EXERCISE 2 STATIVE PASSIVES

GRAMMAR NOTE 1 Study the map. Complete the sentences with the stative passive forms of the verbs from the box. Some of the verbs may be used more than once, and some items have more than one possible answer.



border by	divide into	locate (in)	surround by
connect by	find (in)	make up of	

- North and South America are connected by the Isthmus of Panama.
- The island nations of the region _____ the waters of the Caribbean.
- The island of Hispaniola _____ two nations: Haiti and the Dominican Republic.
- Cuba _____ about 90 miles south of Florida.
- The nation of Trinidad and Tobago _____ two separate islands: Trinidad and Tobago.
- On the north, Costa Rica _____ Nicaragua and on the south by Panama.
- The nation of The Bahamas _____ many islands, some large and some small.
- The nation of Panama _____ two parts by the Panama Canal.
- Jamaica _____ west of Hispaniola.
- The French-speaking islands of Guadeloupe and Martinique _____ the eastern Caribbean, north of South America.

EXERCISE 3 OPINION/BELIEF PASSIVES + AS OR TO PHRASE

GRAMMAR NOTES 3-4 Complete the sentences with a present or past passive form of the verbs in parentheses. Add *as* or *to be* as needed.

- For centuries before Copernicus, the earth was thought to be (think) the center of the universe.
- Atlantis _____ (claim) a continent off the coast of Spain with a rich, technologically advanced civilization.
- In some circles, the Basques _____ (consider) the descendants of people from Atlantis.
- Mother Teresa and Albert Schweitzer _____ (regard) great humanitarians.
- In the Middle Ages, fairies and other spirit creatures _____ (believe) real.
- Since the nineteenth century, George Washington and Abraham Lincoln _____ (consider) the greatest American presidents by many.
- Bigfoot _____ (say) a large, mysterious forest creature who lives in the Pacific Northwest.
- In the fifteenth century and afterwards, King Richard III of England _____ (regard) a monstrous king. Today, he has a better reputation.
- Today, William Shakespeare, perhaps the most famous playwright ever, _____ (assume) the author of the plays credited to him, but some have suggested he couldn't have written them all.
- From time to time, certain people _____ (allege) criminals, but some are later proved innocent by DNA evidence.