

Grammar Practice  
Unit 6. Passive Voice

Name:

a) Fill in the blanks in the table.

	ACTIVE	PASSIVE
SIMPLE PRESENT	repair/repairs	is/are repaired
PRESENT PROGRESSIVE	is/are building	
SIMPLE PAST		was/were invented
PAST PROGRESSIVE	was/were installing	
PRESENT PERFECT		have/has been bought
SIMPLE FUTURE	will help	

b) Use the appropriate verb form the table to complete the sentences.

1. A mechanic \_\_\_\_\_ cars for a living.
2. Dynamite \_\_\_\_\_ by Alfred Nobel.
3. The school \_\_\_\_\_ new computers for the library so that students can do research on the internet.
4. Did you know that a new movie theater \_\_\_\_\_ downtown?
5. I'm sure that Mary \_\_\_\_\_ us with the chores when she gets home.
6. When I left home, I noticed that a satellite dish \_\_\_\_\_ on the roof of the neighbor's house.

Read the passage and put the verbs in the correct passive tense.

It 1) \_\_\_\_\_ (announce) by the police yesterday that two men 2) \_\_\_\_\_ (arrest) in relation to the robbery at the George Street branch of New York bank. More than \$10,000 3) \_\_\_\_\_ (steal) from the bank last Tuesday afternoon. It 4) \_\_\_\_\_ (know) that at least four people were involved in the lunchtime raid. Three armed man stormed into the bank and customers and staff 5) \_\_\_\_\_ (order) to lie down on the floor while the robbers filled up two bags with money. They then ran outside and 6) \_\_\_\_\_ (drive) away by a fourth man in a blue van. The two suspects, who 7) \_\_\_\_\_ (not/name) by the police yet, 8) \_\_\_\_\_ (hold) in the police station, where they 9) \_\_\_\_\_ (question) later today. Members of the public who may have information about the crime 10) \_\_\_\_\_ (ask) to contact the police at 529-4233.

