

GRAMMAR RECALL

Past Passive

Read the sentences and match each one to a usage on the right.

1 Three paintings were stolen from the museum yesterday.

2 My brother was born in Muscat.

3 *Julius Caesar* was written by William Shakespeare.

The past passive is used:

- a** when we want to emphasise the subject of a sentence
- b** when we don't know who did something
- c** in sentences where we give someone's date or place of birth