

Stolen Cars Recovered - Suspects Detained

In Manchester, several stolen cars 1) _____ by law enforcement. They 2) _____ in a secluded warehouse on the outskirts of the city. The vehicles, ranging from luxury sedans to compact hatchbacks, 3) _____ missing over the past few months.

"The thieves were quite clever," Officer Smith told reporters. "They had false registration plates made for the cars, making them difficult to trace. Additionally, sophisticated electronic devices 4) _____ to disable the GPS tracking systems."

The cars, which 5) _____ during the night, were found stripped of valuable parts such as engines and wheels. "It appears the criminals were after specific components," Officer Smith explained. "They must have had buyers waiting."

The recovered vehicles have not yet been returned to their rightful owners. They are currently being examined by forensic experts for any potential evidence. "Fingerprints and DNA samples will be crucial in identifying the perpetrators," Officer Smith added.

Once the investigation is complete, the cars 6) _____ to their owners. "It's a relief to recover these vehicles," Officer Smith concluded. "But we won't rest until the individuals responsible 7) _____ to justice."

1. a) have been recovered b) was recovered c) will be recovered
2. a) are found abandoned b) were found abandoned c) will be abandoned
3. a) are reported b) were reported c) had been reported
4. a) are used b) will be used c) were used
5. a) had been stolen b) was stolen c) will be stolen
6. a) will be returned b) were returned c) had been returned
7. a) had been brought b) are brought c) were brought

1. Complete the sentences with reflexive pronouns, or the correct form of the words in brackets.

- 1) He hurt _____ while playing football.
- 2) The cake _____ by Grandma every Sunday. (bake)
- 3) We made lunch _____ before heading out for the picnic.
- 4) The dishes _____ by John after dinner. (wash)
- 5) By the end of the month, the project _____. (finish)
- 6) She introduced _____ to the new neighbors.
- 7) The news _____ later today (announce)
- 8) They enjoyed _____ at the beach last summer.
- 9) The concert tickets _____ online yesterday. (buy)
- 10) You should be proud of _____ for completing the project.
- 11) The cat groomed _____ in the sunbeam.
- 12) The keys _____ under the sofa by my sister. (find)
- 13) By the time you arrive, dinner _____. (cook)
- 14) He bought _____ a new book as a treat.
- 15) The lost keys _____ under the couch yesterday. (find)
- 16) We prepared _____ for the party.
- 17) She cleaned the house _____ before the guests arrived.
- 18) The final exam _____ next week. (take)

Someone has done something:

- a) The dishes _____ by my sister. (do) (present perfect passive)
- b) By the time we arrive, dinner _____ by the chef. (prepare) (future perfect passive)
- c) The report _____ by the team leader. (write) (present perfect passive)
- d) The concert tickets _____ online yesterday. (buy) (past perfect passive)
- e) The building _____ by a team of skilled workers. (construct) (present perfect passive)
- f) The news _____ later today. (announce) (future simple passive)
- g) The lost keys _____ under the couch yesterday. (find) (past perfect passive)
- h) By the end of the month, the project _____. (complete) (future perfect passive)

Read the text and answer the question.



This month, John Hitchens explores Chinese art. During a morning stroll in Beijing's Beihai Park, he encountered elderly individuals painting on pavements with meter-long brushes, a practice known as water calligraphy. Despite the ephemeral nature of these creations, which vanish swiftly, they hold artistic and symbolic significance. Similarly, Harbin's Ice Festival showcases immense ice sculptures, attracting artists and tourists worldwide despite the challenging working conditions brought by the city's freezing winters. Tibetan sand paintings, rich in symbolism and cultural importance, are meticulously crafted before being purposefully destroyed, reflecting Tibetan traditions. Not all Chinese art is transient, as exemplified by the ancient terracotta warriors near Xi'an, crafted over 2,000 years ago to safeguard a king's tomb. In Shanghai's China Art Museum, John admired 16th-century Chinese paintings, initially finding them unrealistic until he encountered the breathtaking landscapes of Zhangjiajie National Park. These unique formations, resembling scenes from James Cameron's "Avatar," evoke the fantastical imagery found in traditional Chinese art, providing John with a surreal experience amidst nature's wonders.

2. Where did the main character encounter elderly individuals practicing water calligraphy?
a) Beihai Park in Shanghai b) Harbin's Ice Festival c) Zhangjiajie National Park d) Beihai Park in Beijing
3. What event in Harbin showcases immense ice sculptures?
a) Water calligraphy festival b) Tibetan sand painting festival c) Ice Festival d) Terracotta warriors exhibition
4. What is the purpose of Tibetan sand paintings?
a) To create lasting artworks b) To showcase artistic talent c) To reflect Tibetan traditions d) To preserve cultural heritage
5. Where did the main character initially encounter 16th-century Chinese paintings?
a) Zhangjiajie National Park b) Beihai Park in Beijing c) China Art Museum in Shanghai d) Harbin's Ice Festival
6. What do elderly individuals do with meter-long brushes in Beihai Park?
a) Paint ice sculptures b) Practice water calligraphy c) Create sand paintings d) Sculpt terracotta warriors
7. Where is Harbin located?
a) Southern China b) Northern China c) Western China d) Eastern China
8. What material were the terracotta warriors made of?
a) Ice b) Sand c) Stone d) Terracotta
9. What movie featured Zhangjiajie National Park's mountains?
a) The Great Wall b) Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon c) Avatar d) Mulan
10. What impressed the main character about the landscapes of Zhangjiajie National Park?
a) The realism b) The fantastical appearance c) The small size d) The absence of trees

