

5 ●●● Complete the article with the correct passive form of the verbs below.

announce ~~create~~ help know
make publish solve watch



The Belgian detective

The character of the Belgian detective Hercule Poirot ¹was created by the writer Agatha Christie in the 1920s. Between 1920 and 1975 over 800 Poirot novels and short stories ²_____. In the stories, Poirot sometimes works alone, but usually he ³_____ by his assistant, Captain Hastings. Poirot always dresses smartly and he ⁴_____ for his neat moustache and his polite manners. He is very intelligent and believes that all crimes ⁵_____ by using the 'little grey cells' in your brain.

A lot of the Poirot stories ⁶_____ into popular films in the 1970s, and even today stories about Poirot ⁷_____ by millions of people each year on TV. When, finally, Poirot's death ⁸_____ in a 1975 novel, an article about his life appeared in the newspaper *The Times*, as if he had been a real person!

1 Complete the words in the sentences.

- 1 The police are interviewing a witness who saw the robbery take place.
- 2 It will take a very clever d _ _ _ t _ _ e to catch this criminal!
- 3 The police questioned the s _ _ p _ _ t, but he didn't admit that he was guilty.
- 4 This is a very difficult c _ _ _ e because there is very little evidence.
- 5 The police found Morton's f _ _ _ _ _ p _ _ _ _ _ s on the murder weapon.
- 6 The thieves were seen on the C _ _ V c _ _ _ _ _ s in the shop.