

PASSIVE VS. ACTIVE

Complete the sentences by putting the verbs into the correct passive tense

DID YOU KNOW...?

- 1 The country with the smallest movie industry is Iceland, where only three movies are made every year. (make)
- 2 More than 26,000 costumes were used in the 1963 movie *Cleopatra*. (use)
- 3 In the near future more movies will be shown on computers than at the movie theater. (see)
- 4 The most filmed character is Sherlock Holmes. Until now, more than 200 different movies have been made about him. (make)
- 5 Spielberg's movie *The Color Purple* was nominated for 11 Oscars in 1985, but didn't win any. (nominate)
- 6 Macaulay Culkin was paid \$4.5 million dollars for his role in *Home Alone* in 1990. (pay) This was a record for a child at the time.
- 7 The director Stanley Kubrick died while his movie *Artificial Intelligence* was being made. Spielberg was asked to finish the movie. (ask)
- 8 When the actress Marilyn Monroe died of a drug overdose in 1962, many people believed that she was murdered by the CIA. (murder)
- 9 Over 300,000 extras were used for the crowd scenes in the movie *Gandhi* in 1982. (use)
- 10 At this very moment, thousands of movies are being made all over the world. (make)



Active or passive. Choose the correct form

The Piano won the Palme d'Or at the Cannes Film Festival in 1993. It was written by Jane Campion, and it starred Holly Hunter and Harvey Keitel. It was filmed in New Zealand in the 19th century, and is about a Scottish woman, Ada, who was married there by her parents to marry a local man. She only brings two things with her: her daughter and her piano. Ada never speaks, and has a very unhappy time with her new husband, who is a violent man. Ada falls in love with a neighbor and finally she is rescued by him from her husband, and in her new life she begins to speak again. The unforgettable soundtrack was composed by Michael Nyman, and millions of copies of the CD have been sold all over the world

