



Read the text and choose the right variants of the Passive Voice.

ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL

St. Paul's Cathedral *is said / was said* to be one of the finest pieces of architecture in Europe.

It *is designed / was designed* by Christopher Wren who *is known / was known* as "the architect of London". St. Paul's Cathedral is the third cathedral with this name. The two others *are burnt / were burnt* down, the first in 1086 and the second in 1666. St. Paul's *was built / is built* on the highest point in the city. Its building lasted for 35 years and Wren was an old man before it *is finished / was finished*.

Its dome with a golden ball and cross on the top is the symbol of London. It *is made / was made* of two domes, Outer and Inner, one inside the other. Inside there is the balcony which *is called / was called* the Whispering Gallery. A whisper which *was directed / is directed* along the wall of one side of the dome *is heard / was heard* on the other side. In order to get to the Whispering Gallery you have to climb 263 steps. Inner dome of the Cathedral *is decorated / was decorated* with scenes from the life of Saint Paul.

One of the most important monuments in the interior of the Cathedral *was dedicated / is dedicated* to the Duke of Wellington. There are two famous bells in the Cathedral which *were named / are named* Great Tom and Great Paul. The latter is the largest bell ever cast in Britain, which weighs 16, 5 tons and hasn't rung for many years. Great Tom *is sounded / was sounded* for a royal death.

Many great men *were buried / are buried* in the crypt of the

Cathedral, including Christopher Wren himself, Admiral Nelson, Sir Alexander Fleming, Sir Joshua Reynolds and others. On the tomb of Christopher Wren an epitaph *were written / was written*: "If you seek his monument, look around you".

