Grammar

▪ The passive

A **Fill in:** *is/are*, *was/were*, *have/has*, *will*, *can't*.

1 *Oliver Twist* ..... written by Charles Dickens.
2 The museum ..... visited by lots of tourists every year.
3 Photographs ..... be taken inside the gallery.
4 The new Natural History Museum ..... be opened by the Queen next week.
5 Many paintings and statues from the Oriental Collection ..... not been shown to the public before.
6 Visitors ..... asked not to eat any kind of food inside the museum.
7 The Moai statues ..... discovered by Europeans in 1722.
8 The art museum ..... already been renovated and redecorated.

B **Put the verbs in brackets into the correct *passive* form.**

1 A: When did the Romans complete the Coliseum?
B: It ..... **(complete)** in 82 AD.
2 A: Do you know where the Louvre Museum ..... **(locate)**?
B: Of course! It's in Paris.
3 A: ..... **(the) invitations/send)** yet?
B: Yes, they ..... **(post)** yesterday.
4 A: They are building a new opera house in the city centre.
B: Yes, I know. It ..... **(open)** by Prince William at the end of next month.
5 A: Don't forget to take your camera with you.
B: No, I'm not taking it. We ..... **(not/allow)** to use cameras inside the museum.
6 A: ..... **(these portraits/paint)** by Van Gogh?
B: No, by Renoir.

LIVEWORKSHEETS

C Rewrite the newspaper headlines in the *passive*.

1. PRICELESS PAINTING STOLEN FROM GALLERY LAST NIGHT

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2. TOP CELEBRITY VISITED TOWN IN SECRET YESTERDAY

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3. NEW TOURIST ATTRACTION TO BE OPENED BY MAYOR NEXT WEEK

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4. NEW HOSPITAL NOT FINISHED YET

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5. TOWN TO CELEBRATE 100-YEAR ANNIVERSARY NEXT MONTH

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