8A GRAMMAR the passive

a Complete the sentences by putting the verbs in parentheses into the correct form of the passive.

1 Three men were arrested this evening and *will be questioned* by police tomorrow morning. (**question**)
2 Oh, no. My bike isn't here! It must _____. (**steal**)
3 Right now, three suspects _____ by the police. (**interrogate**)
4 The accident happened because the car _____ at 120 mph. (**drive**)
5 The fake goods _____ when the truck _____ at the border. (**discover, stop**)
6 Strong measures must _____ to reduce the amount of crime in the city. (**take**)
7 People who _____ shoplifting often turn out to have some kind of psychological problem. (**catch**)
8 The town hall _____ again – someone has painted graffiti over the walls. It's the third time this year. (**vandalize**)
9 As soon as we got home we could see that the kitchen window _____ and that there were two men in the living room. (**break**)
10 Police are worried that a lot of tourists _____ next weekend during the carnival. (**rob**)
11 In the past, people used _____ to prison for speaking out against the government. (**send**)

b Complete the newspaper report with the verbs in parentheses in the passive. Add any other necessary words, e.g., *to* or *that*.

Investigation after neighborhood incident

Police have begun an inquiry after a fight broke out between several people on North Street, in Baltimore.
The fight [1] *is believed to* (**believe**) have started in the early hours of Friday morning at an address near the corner of North Street. It [2]_____ (**think**) the fight started after a car was damaged by one of the men.
At least one of the men involved [3]_____ (**say**) have been armed. Three men remain in the hospital and are being treated for injuries, which [4]_____ (**understand**) be the result of the fight.
It [5]_____ (**expect**) one man will be released from the hospital later today.

Five men, who [6]_____ (**think**) be from the Washington DC area, and are aged between 21 and 32, have been arrested. The police are asking anyone who witnessed the incident to contact them urgently. All information will be treated confidentially.



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