

# 7.3 Grammar

## Past Simple passive

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### 1 Complete the sentences with the Past Simple passive of the verbs in brackets.

- The *Mona Lisa* was painted (paint) by Leonardo da Vinci.
- The painting \_\_\_\_\_ (not sell) for a lot of money. It was a cheap copy!
- These old coins \_\_\_\_\_ (find) in an attic!
- The houses \_\_\_\_\_ (not damage) in the earthquake.
- Those operas \_\_\_\_\_ (not write) by Mozart.
- That beautiful vase \_\_\_\_\_ (make) in Japan.
- The Queen's art collections \_\_\_\_\_ (destroy) in the fire.

### 2 Complete the dialogues with the Past Simple passive.



- A: Were the photos of the pyramids taken (photos of the pyramids / take) in Egypt?  
B: Yes, they were. They were taken in Giza.
- A: \_\_\_\_\_  
(the museum / design) by a Spanish architect?  
B: No, \_\_\_\_\_. It was designed by an American.
- A: When \_\_\_\_\_  
(the Eiffel Tower / finish)?  
B: It was finished in 1889.
- A: Why \_\_\_\_\_  
(the pharaoh's treasures / lose)?  
B: They were lost because thieves stole them.
- A: \_\_\_\_\_  
(the Colosseum / build) in Italy?  
B: Yes, \_\_\_\_\_. It was built in Rome.

### 3 Complete the quiz questions. Then do the quiz.

## Famous People Quiz

- Who was Guernica painted by? (paint)  
a Michelangelo    **b) Pablo Picasso**  
c Vincent van Gogh
- Who \_\_\_\_\_ the planet Uranus \_\_\_\_\_ by? (discover)  
a William Herschel    b Galileo Galilei  
c Nicolaus Copernicus
- Who \_\_\_\_\_ Ford Model T cars \_\_\_\_\_ by? (produce)  
a Tom Ford            b Gerald Ford    c Henry Ford
- Who \_\_\_\_\_ *The Magic Flute* and *The Marriage of Figaro* \_\_\_\_\_ by? (compose)  
a Beethoven            b Mozart            c Bach
- Who \_\_\_\_\_ the Louvre Pyramid \_\_\_\_\_ by? (design)  
a Antonio Gaudí    b Gustave Eiffel    c I. M. Pei

Answers 1 b 2 a 3 c 4 b 5 c

### 4 Vocabulary Complete the sentences with the verbs in the box.

compose    design    discover    invent    paint    produce

- What kind of pictures does the artist paint?
- Does this factory \_\_\_\_\_ good cars?
- What did the explorers \_\_\_\_\_ in the Himalayas?
- Did the guitarist \_\_\_\_\_ the music?
- What kind of machine did the scientist \_\_\_\_\_?
- Did a British architect \_\_\_\_\_ that building?

### \* 5 Pops is telling Eva and Mac some interesting facts. Rewrite the sentences with the Past Simple passive and by.



- Frank Gehry designed these buildings.  
These buildings were designed by Frank Gehry.
- A Japanese artist painted that vase.  
That vase \_\_\_\_\_.
- Levi Strauss and Jacob Davis produced the first pair of jeans.  
The first pair of jeans \_\_\_\_\_.
- An Italian composer wrote these operas.  
These operas \_\_\_\_\_.
- Some local children found the treasure.  
The treasure \_\_\_\_\_.
- In 1911 Vincenzo Peruggia stole the Mona Lisa.  
The Mona Lisa \_\_\_\_\_.