

Present and past passive: affirmative and negative

- 1 Complete the sentences with the present or past passive form of the verbs in the box.

buy not locate make not paint
not permit sell steal visit

- The *Mona Lisa* _____ from the Louvre in 1911.
- Some exhibitions _____ by thousands of people every day.
- Michelangelo's sculpture *David* _____ between 1501 and 1504.
- Some art _____ for a lot of money.
- Visitors to art galleries _____ to touch the paintings.
- The Ermitage _____ in Moscow. It's in Saint Petersburg.
- Not all the paintings in the exhibition _____ by the same collector.
- This portrait _____ by a famous artist.

- 2 Write present or past passive sentences. Add extra words where necessary.

present

the sculptures / make / from bronze

The sculptures are made from bronze.

- 1 the paintings / not protect / very well

- 2 the Louvre museum / visit / millions of people

past

- 3 the sculpture / not steal / the museum worker

- 4 the artist's work / criticize / the public

- 5 when / Stonehenge / build / ?

Active to passive

- 3 Write the active sentences in the passive form.

The Prado Museum exhibits Goya's paintings.

Goya's paintings are exhibited by

the Prado Museum.

- 1 He painted his first pictures in bright colours.

_____ in bright colours.

- 2 They show the viewer scenes of happiness and humour.

_____ scenes of happiness and humour.

- 3 A disease destroyed his hearing in 1792.

_____ a disease in 1792.

- 4 France invaded Spain in 1808.

_____ France in 1808.

- 5 These problems changed Goya's paintings.

_____ these problems.

- 6 When he died, they buried him in Bordeaux, France.

_____ in Bordeaux, France when he died.

Present and past passive: questions

- 4 Write present or past passive questions for the answers.

How many paintings were stolen?

Three paintings were stolen.

- 1 _____
No, the sculptures aren't owned by the gallery.

- 2 _____
The museum was built in 1930.

- 3 _____
The sculpture is made from bronze.

- 4 _____
Yes, the gallery was opened last year.

- 5 _____
Yes, the museum is used for conferences.

- 6 _____
The exhibition was organized in Toulouse.