



3. Complete the sentences using the past participle form of the verbs in parentheses. Then, check ✓ T (true) or F (false).

a. The conflict between the colonies and Great Britain was finished (finish) on July 4th, 1776.  
 b. The Chinese New Year is also known (know) as the Spring Festival.  
 c. The USA's birthday isn't celebrated (celebrate) with colorful parades and fireworks.  
 d. Red envelopes with money are given (give) to children on the Chinese New Year's Eve.

T	F

4. Complete the grammar chart.

### Reflect on Grammar

#### Passive Voice

Use the *Passive Voice* to emphasize actions or when the doer of the action is not important or unknown.

To form *Passive Voice* sentences, use the auxiliary verb \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_ form of the main verb.

Simple Present	Statements Houses <u>are decorated</u> with red paper.	Interrogative How _____ houses _____?
Simple Past	Fireworks <u>were invented</u> in China to scare away evil spirits.	Where <u>were fireworks invented?</u> Why _____ fireworks <u>invented?</u>

**Note:** To introduce the doer or performer of the action in *Passive Voice* sentences use the preposition *by*:  
Fireworks were invented *by* the Chinese in the 7th Century.

5. Change the paragraph below from *active* into *Passive Voice*.

Every year, Peruvians celebrate the Festival of the Sun on June 24th. The Spanish conquerors prohibited this Incan Festival in the 16th century. However, in the 1940's the writings of "El Inca", a half-conqueror, half-Incan poet, revived and reconstructed the Festival of the Sun and its traditions. Today, the festival offers colorful exhibitions, live concerts, traditional dances, and activities where actors and singers bring the past alive. This is the second biggest festival in Latin America, after the Rio Carnival.

6. Talk with a partner about traditions.



#### Project Stage 1

- In pairs, search for information about your family's, neighborhood's and hometown's memories of past remarkable events. E.g. *Christmas Eve/ New Year's Eve*.
- Look at your family's photo albums to list traditions and activities celebrated and the people and places involved in them. E.g. *The Christmas tree is decorated with lights*.