7.3 Grammar

Past Simple passive

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

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

2 Complete the dialogues with the Past Simple passive.



1 A: Were the photos of the pyramids taken (photos of the pyramids / take) in Egypt?
B: Yes, they were. They were taken in Giza.
2 A: _____ (the museum / design) by a Spanish architect?
B: No, _____. It was designed by an American.
3 A: When _____ (the Eiffel Tower / finish)?
B: It was finished in 1889.
4 A: Why _____ (the pharaoh's treasures / lose)?
B: They were lost because thieves stole them.
5 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

1 Who was *Guernica* painted by? (paint)
a Michelangelo (b) Pablo Picasso
c Vincent van Gogh

2 Who _____ the planet Uranus _____ by? (discover)
a William Herschel b Galileo Galilei
c Nicolaus Copernicus

3 Who _____ Ford Model T cars _____ by? (produce)
a Tom Ford b Gerald Ford c Henry Ford

4 Who _____ *The Magic Flute* and *The Marriage of Figaro* _____ by? (compose)
a Beethoven b Mozart c Bach

5 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

1 What kind of pictures does the artist paint?
2 Does this factory _____ good cars?
3 What did the explorers _____ in the Himalayas?
4 Did the guitarist _____ the music?
5 What kind of machine did the scientist _____?
6 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*.

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

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