

Unit 2

Grammar

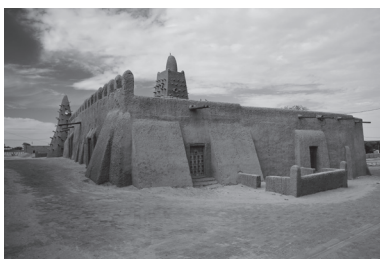
1 Complete the verbs in the present or past passive voice.



Although it was nominated, Alhambra (1) _____ (not choose) as one of the 7 New Wonders of the World. However, it is a wonderful place. Alhambra (2) _____ (locate) in Andalusia in Spain. It's both a palace and a fortress. It (3) _____ (construct) as a small fortress in AD 889 by Romans. In the mid-thirteenth century, the ruins (4) _____ (renovate) by the Moors. In 1333, it (5) _____ (convert) into a palace.

Alhambra (6) _____ (rediscover) after the defeat of Napoleon. Now, it is one of Spain's major tourist attractions. It (7) _____ (describe) as "a pearl set in emeralds". The park (8) _____ (plant) by the Moors with roses, oranges and myrtles. Today, there are fountains and cascades. The mosaics in the palace (9) _____ (decorate) with complex mathematical patterns. The palace itself (10) _____ (design) in the Nasrid style, making it a wonderful example of Islamic art.

2 Write the questions and match to the answers.



These didn't make it to the list, but they are still wonders of the world!

1 (Where / Timbuktu / locate)

2 (How / Kiyomizu-dera / build)

3 (What / Moai statues / carve from)

4 (When / Neuschwanstein Castle / open to the public)

5 (What / Sidney Opera House / use for)

a This Buddhist temple was built without using one single nail.

b They were carved from compressed volcanic ash.

c It is used for operas, ballet, plays and concerts.

d It was opened to the public in 1886.

e It is located in Mali, Africa.