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### VOICE



Voice is a form of verb which shows whether the subject acts or is acted upon



There are two types of voice: Active voice and passive voice



#### SENTENCE STRUCTURE (SVO)



The police arrested the robbers

[Subject] [Verb] [Object]

A 'verb' is an action. The performer of that action is called the 'subject', and the one on whom that action is performed is called the 'object'.



#### **ACTIVE VOICE**



Active voice is the sentence in which the subject performs the action(verb) on the object



Active voice formula :
Subject +verb+ object

Tells us what a person or thing does



#### **PASSIVE VOICE**



## Passive voice is the sentence in which the subject is being acted upon

#### Passive voice formula:

Object+Auxiliary verb+V3 form+By+ subject.

Tells us what is done to someone or something





#### **EXAMPLES**

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#### **Active voice**

#### Reeta writes a letter

#### **Passive voice**

A letter is written by Reeta





TENSE	ACTIVE VOICE	PASSIVE VOICE
Present Simple	They sell ice cream here. They sell books here.	Ice cream is sold here. Is + PP Books are sold here. are + PP
Present Continuous	Someone is washing my car at the moment. Someone is washing my cars at the moment.	My car is being washed at the moment. is being * PP My cars are being washed at the moment. are being * PP
Present Perfect Simple	They have repaired my bike. They have repaired all the bikes.	My bike has been repaired. has been + PP All the bikes have been repaired. have been + PP
Past Simple	They sold a car yesterday. They sold three cars yesterday.	A car was sold yesterday. was + PP Three cars were sold yesterday. were + PP
Past Continuous	He was painting my bedroom then. He was painting my bedroom and the kitchen then.	My bedroom was being painted then, was being + PP My bedroom and the kitchen were being painted then, were being + PP
Past Perfect Simple	Somebody had left an envelope on the table.	An envelope had been left on the table. had been + PP
Future Simple	They will send an e-mail.	An e-mail will be sent. will be + PP
Future going to	Somebody is going to call Peter. Somebody is going to call you soon.	Peter is going to be called. Is going to be + PP You are going to be called soon. are going to be + PP

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## Changing interrogative sentences into the passive



Active voice: Did she recognize you?

Passive voice: Were you recognized by her?

Active voice: Can anybody cure it?

Passive voice: Can it be cured (by anybody)?

Active voice: Who wrote this book?

Passive voice: By whom was this book written?

Active voice: Have you finished work?

Passive voice: Has the work been finished by you?

Active voice: When will they announce the results?

Passive voice: When will the results be announced (by them)?







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