

HEARSAY PASSIVE.

THE PASSIVE IS OFTEN USED WITH **SAY** , **BELIEVE** , **UNDERSTAND**, **KNOW** AND SIMILAR VERBS USED IN REPORTING TO AVOID AN IMPERSONAL THEY AND PEOPLE.

People say that John Wilson lives in New York.

John Wilson **is said to live** in New York.

THE PAST TENSE AND CONTINUOUS VERBS CAN ALSO BE REPORTED.

John Wilson is said to be travelling in Africa.

CAUSATIVE HAVE DESCRIBES SERVICES DONE FOR US BY SOMEONE ELSE.

Last year I **had** new tiles **put** on the roof.

The same construction can describe misfortune which happen to us, with GET.

NEED + (V) ING – IDIOMATIC WAY OF EXPRESSING SOME PASSIVE SENTENCES, USUALLY ABOUT THINGS OR PEOPLE WHICH NEED SOME KIND FO SERVICE.

The floor is filthy. It **needs scrubbing**.

VERBS + PREPOSITIONS.

IF A VERB IS FOLLOWED BY A PREPOSITION AND OBJECT, THE PREPOSITION STAYS WITH THE VERB IN A PASSIVE SENTENCE.

People shouted at the Prime Minister during his speech.

The Prime Minister **was shouted at** during his speech.

MAKE (when meaning force) is followed by **TO** in the passive.

They made David work hard. David **was made to** work hard.

CHOOSE THE MOST SUITABLE TENSE.

- 1- The robbers **were arrested / have been arrested** as soon as they left the bank.
- 2- By the time we got there, the rain **had stopped / had been stopped**.
- 3- When **were you told / have you been told** about the new rules?
- 4- I looked again for the old man, but he **was vanished / had vanished**.

5- I don't think that you **will be asked / are being asked** to show your passport.

PUT EACH VERB INTO THE SUITABLE PASSIVE.

- a- I'm sorry, madam, but this carpet (**already / sell**) _____
- b- The old house on the corner (**knock down**) _____ last year.
- c- When exactly (**John / give**) _____ his prize?
- d- Most people agree that America (**not discover**) _____ by Christopher Columbus.
- e- All complaints about products (**deal with**) _____ by our customer services department.
- f- Police confirmed that the murder weapon (**discover**) _____ in a nearby lake.
- g- It (**announce**) yesterday that the government has decided not to raise income tax.
- h- Good news! I (**ask**) _____ to take over as the new managing director.
- i- I don't believe that this play (**write**) _____ by Shakespeare.
- j- Ann really likes (**invite**) _____ to dinner parties.

COMPLETE THE SECOND SENTENCE SO THAT IT HAS THE SAME MEANING TO THE FIRST, USING THE WORD GIVEN. (TWO TO FIVE WORDS.

- 1- Last Thursday we appointed a new marketing manager. **WAS**
A new _____ last Thursday.
- 2- Smith LTD are supplying our company with furniture. **SUPPLIED**
Our company _____ by Smith LTD
- 3- William the Conqueror built the castle in the 11th century. **BY**
The castle _____ William the Conqueror in the 11th Century
- 4- No decision has yet been made. **DECIDE**
Nothing _____ yet.
- 5- People believe that someone murdered Jenkins. **WAS**
It _____ murdered.
- 6- Your hair needs cutting. **GET**
You ought _____ cut.
- 7- The police were following the suspects. **WERE**
The suspects _____ police
- 8- No-one has seen Peter since the day of the party. **BEEN**
Peter _____ the day of the party.
- 9- People think that an apple a day is good for you. **TO**

An apple a day _____ for you.

CAUSATIVE HAVE / GET

1- The hairdresser is cutting my hair this afternoon.

2- Someone has stolen my bike.

3- Someone broke Harry's nose in a fight.

4- Isn't it time someone fixed your television set?

5- Helen's publishers have just published her book.

6- The police towed away Nigel's car.

HEARSAY PASSIVE.

1- **Apparently** , Freddie has a wife in Scotland.
Freddie is said to have a wife in Scotland.

2- **Nobody** knows **anything** about Brenda's family.

3- **People** think that **someone** started the fire deliberately.

4- You should **ask** a doctor to see that cut.

5- **People** say that he was in the army.

6- My trousers **need** to be pressed before I leave.

7- **No- one** has signed this letter.

8- Mary's hair still **needs** cutting.

9- **People** believe that Norma is living in Paris.

10 - **The director of the school** has decided that smoking is no longer allowed.