passive or active

The passive is a way of structuring a sentence so that the grammatical subject is the person or thing which experiences the effect of an action, rather than the person or thing which causes the effect:

- The cat was chased by the dog.
- The house will be built shortly.
- This book was written by Jane Austen.
- The cake has been eaten. (no agent)

An active verb or sentence is one in which the subject is the person or thing which performs the stated action:

- The dog chased the cat.
- The builders will build the house shortly.
- Jane Austen wrote this book.
- They have eaten the cake.

Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verb

1. Where _____ (bread/bake) ?
2. I've just heard that Bob _____ (sell) his car, did you know?
3. The police _____ (stop) him because he was driving too fast.
4. _____ (that jacket/wear) recently?
5. Mary and David _____ (buy) their house in 2006.
6. The company _____ (create) by two brothers in the early 80s.
7. Can I have details of your laptop which _____ (advertise) in your latest catalogue, please?
8. My mother _____ (clean) the windows when I arrived.
9. I _____ (repair) the car, you can use it now.
10. He _____ (delay) because of the traffic at arrived too late for the meeting.
11. The invoices _____ (check), so you can send them now.
12. People _____ (not/smoke) so much these days.
13. Who _____ (invent) the telephone?
14. She _____ (go) to Brussels last week for a meeting.
15. A lot of damage _____ (cause) by the storm last month.
16. Two men _____ (arrest) last night. They are in prison now.
17. Our products _____ (sell) all over the world.
18. They _____ (bake) the bread every morning.
19. She _____ (wear) a beautiful green dress when I saw her.
20. Normally the streets _____ (clean) every day.
21. Smoking _____ (prohibited) in all bars in France.
22. The car _____(repair) at the moment, but it should be ready tomorrow.

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