SMART STEP
ASSOCIATES

UNIT 22 – WORKSHEET
PASSIVE VOICE

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TASK A. choose the correct sentence beginnings and match them with the endings to make passive sentences.

The lifeboatman	All members of staff	The city centre premises
The actor	Examination candidates	After his parents died, he
Job applicants	Patients	I'm afraid that particular product
The decorations		

1. _____are requested not to smoke anywhere in the building.
2. _____are currently being refurbished.
3. _____was awarded a medal for bravery.
4. _____are expected to arrive fifteen minutes before the start of the test.
5. _____had already been offered the part twice before.
6. _____was brought up by an aunt in New Zealand.
7. _____will be informed of the result of the interview on Wednesday.
8. _____has been discontinued.
9. _____will be taken down at the end of the month.
10. _____should always be told of the severity of their condition.

TASK B. Change the following direct questions into indirect questions using the introductory clauses given in the brackets.

1. *We are taught grammar by Ms Sullivan.*

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2. *He was praised by the teacher*

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3. *The injured were taken to the hospital by the firemen*

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4. *The town was destroyed by an earthquake*

_____

5. *The teacher was pleased with the boy's work*

_____

6. *The building was damaged by the fire*

_____

7. *By whom were you taught French?*

8. *You will be given a ticket by the manager.*

_____

9. *The streets were thronged with spectators*

_____

10. *We will be blamed by everyone*

_____

11. *The trees were blown down by the wind*

_____

12. *The thieves were caught by the police.*

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13. *The letter was posted by Alice.*

_____

14. *We were received by the hostess.*

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TASK C. **Choose the correct answer.**

1. Everybody ___ by the terrible news yesterday.
   a) shocked
   b) was shocked

2) Mr. Green ___ at the University since 1989.
   a) has been teaching
   b) has been taught

3) Not much ___ about the accident since that time.
   a) has said
   b) has been said

4) A new book ___ by that company next year.
   a) will publish
   b) will be published

5) He ___ the girl's name now.
   a) remembers
   b) is remembered

6) Our plan ___ by the members of the committee.
   a) is being considered
   b) is considered

7) He ___ responsible for the accident.
   a) was holding
   b) was held

8) A prize ___ to whoever solves this equation.
   a) will be giving
   b) will be given

9) When the manager arrived, the problem ___ .
   a) had already been solved.
   b) had already solved.

TASK D. **Rewrite the sentences to passive voice.**

1) The Browns have built the large house.
2) A jellyfish stung her while she was swimming.
3) They gave her a nice present.
4) The storm destroyed the house.
5) People spent a lot of Monday on the first shopping Saturday.
6) How do you write that word?
7) The headmaster called his parents to the office.
8) The dog has broken the window pane.
9) You must pay the bill first.
10) They were interviewing her for the job.
11) The professor told him not to talk in class.
12) You shouldn't speak to your neighbor.
13) Do not leave your bicycle in the hall.
14) Can you learn French easily?
15) Your impolite tone surprises me.
16) An unknown author wrote the book.
17) They forced him to steal the money out of his dad's room.
18) Our neighbors have invited us to dinner.
19) Why are they tearing down the old theatre?
20) I will present my ideas at the conference tonight.

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ANSWERS

TASK A.

1. All members of staff
2. The city centre premises
3. The lifeboatman
4. Examination candidates
5. The actor
6. After his parents died, he
7. Job applicants
8. I'm afraid that particular product
9. The decorations
10. Patients

TASK B.

1. Ms Sullivan teaches us grammar.
2. The teacher praised him.
3. The firemen took the injured to the hospital.
4. An earthquake destroyed the town.
5. The boy's work pleased the teacher.
6. The fire damaged the building.
7. Who taught you French?
8. The manager will give you a ticket.
9. Spectators thronged the streets.
10. Everyone will blame us.
11. The wind blew down the trees.
12. The police caught the thieves.
13. Alice posted the letter.
14. The hostess received us.

TASK C.

1. B
2. A
3. B
4. B
5. A
6. A
7. B
8. B
9. A

TASK D.

1. The large house has been built by the Browns.
2. She was stung by a jellyfish while she was swimming.
3. She was given a nice present.
4. The house was destroyed by the storm.
5. A lot of money was spent on the first shopping Saturday.
6. How is that word written?
7. His parents were called to the office by the headmaster.
8. The window pane has been broken by the dog.

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9. The bill must be paid first.
10. She was being interviewed for the job.
11. He was told not to talk in class by the professor.
12. Your neighbor shouldn't be spoken to.
13. Bicycles must not be left in the hall.
14. Can French be learned easily?
15. I am surprised by your impolite tone.
16. The book was written by an unknown author.
17. He was forced to steal the money out of his dad's room.
18. We have been invited to dinner.
19. Why is the old theatre being torn down?
20. My ideas will be presented at the conference tonight.
21. You would have been told

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