

Grammar 1

Lesson objective: the passive (Present simple, Past simple, Future simple, Present perfect)

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Grammar hub: The passive



Present simple passive

Paper **is/isn't recycled** in my town.

Electrical gadgets **are/aren't recycled** in my town.

Past simple passive

A new landfill **was/wasn't opened** in our town last week.

Greenhouse gases **were/weren't created** by burning gas and oil.

Future simple passive

Climate change **will/won't be stopped** by technology.

Will climate change **be stopped** by technology? Yes, it **will**. / No, it **won't**.

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- 1 In your notebook, complete the text with Present simple passive forms of the verbs in brackets.

The 'greenhouse effect'

- Oil and gas ¹ _____ (use) in homes and factories.
- A greenhouse gas called methane ² _____ (produce) by cows.
- Greenhouse gases ³ _____ (send) into the Earth's atmosphere.
- The greenhouse effect ⁴ _____ (create).
- Global warming ⁵ _____ (cause) by the greenhouse effect.



- 2 In your notebook, write sentences using the words below and the Past simple passive.

Last year in Braintown, ...

1 500 trees / plant

2 a lot of paper / recycle

3 two landfills / close

4 only one tree / cut down

5 gas and electricity / not waste

6 air pollution / not reduce

- 3 What do you think will happen in the future? In your notebook, complete the sentences with **will be** or **won't be**. Then have a class vote.

In the future,

- endangered animals _____ protected.
- the Amazon rainforest _____ destroyed.
- all of the oil and gas in the world _____ used up.
- new types of energy _____ created.
- public transport _____ used more.

Grammar hub: Present perfect passive

The rubbish **has/hasn't been recycled**.

The trees **have/haven't been planted**.

Has the environment **been damaged**?

Yes, it **has**. / No, it **hasn't**.

Have the polar bears **been protected**?

Yes, they **have**. / No, they **haven't**.

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- 4 Look at the pictures. In your notebook, write six sentences with the verbs in the box. Use the Present perfect passive with **yet** or **already**.

cut down ■ recycle ■ pollute



- 1 The trees have already been cut down.

- 5 Work in pairs. Take turns to ask and answer questions about the pictures in exercise 4.

In picture 1, have the trees been cut down yet?

Yes, they have.