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VERBS IN ACTIVE AND PASSIVE VOICE

A. DIRECTIONS: Underline the verb in each sentence. Then, write A if the verb is in the active voice or P if the verb is in the passive voice.

1. _____ The kicker missed the point after the touchdown.
2. _____ Several people were arrested by the police.
3. _____ The wheat crop was ruined by a sudden storm.
4. _____ The guest speaker told the audience about the South Pole.
5. _____ Dan Angelo caught a ten-foot shark off Block Island.
6. _____ An urban renewal program will be organized by the town council.
7. _____ The code has been broken by the spies.
8. _____ Superb Foods, Inc. will build a new market in North Mall.

B. DIRECTIONS: Revise each sentence by changing the passive voice to the active voice or the active voice to the passive voice.

1. The old sofa was hauled down to the basement by Barney.

2. The boat was tossed and lifted by the wild sea.

3. The way an engine works has never been understood by David.

4. The phone had been hung up suddenly by Rey.

