

ACTIVE vs PASSIVE VOICE

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ACTIVE VS PASSIVE SENTENCES

Subject = Before the verb

Object = After the verb

DOER = Who or what did the action

RECEIVER = Who or what received the action

ACTIVE

Subject = DOER

Object = RECEIVER

Tom cleaned the room yesterday.

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The room was cleaned yesterday.

PASSIVE

Subject = RECEIVER

NO OBJECT

WHEN WE USE THE PASSIVE

- ▶ A bank was robbed yesterday. (We don't know who the DOER is.)
- ▶ The robber was arrested last night. (It's obvious who the DOER is.)
- ▶ I was told that you insulted my brother. (I don't want to say who the DOER is.)
- ▶ Jurassic Park was filmed by Spielberg in 1993. (I'm not talking about the DOER; I'm talking about Jurassic Park.)

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Choose the correct form (active or passive):

1. The Polypill (is taken/takes) daily by patients to improve heart health.
2. The effects of the Polypill on cardiovascular diseases (are studied/studies) by researchers worldwide.
3. Doctors (prescribes/prescribe) the Polypill for patients with high cardiovascular risk.
4. Multiple medications (combines/are combined) in the Polypill to simplify treatment.
5. International health organizations (recommend/is recommended) the use of the Polypill.
6. A team of researchers (was developed/developed) the Polypill to reduce heart attacks and strokes.
7. The combination of drugs in the Polypill (designed/was designed) to lower blood pressure and cholesterol.
8. Researchers (conducted/was conducted) a large study to evaluate the effectiveness of the Polypill.
9. Patients with a history of cardiovascular problems (was given/were given) the Polypill in the trial.
10. The medical community (celebrates/was celebrated) the success of the Polypill.
11. Many countries (adopted/was adopted) the Polypill in their public health programs.
12. The Polypill (reduces/is reduced) the risk of heart attacks and strokes in high-risk patients.