

Reporting Verbs

We can also use the Passive Voice with **reporting verbs** (*say, think, report, consider, expect, feel, know, believe*).

People **think** sharks attack lots of swimmers. → Sharks **are thought to attack** lots of swimmers.

People **say** she dated a celebrity. → She **is said to have dated** a celebrity.

1. People say the tomato <u>is</u> a fruit. (Present Simple)	The tomato _____ to _____ a fruit. It is said that the tomato _____ a fruit.
2. People think he <u>is lying</u> to everyone. (Present Continuous)	He is thought _____ to everyone. It is thought that he _____ to everyone.
3. People know she <u>made</u> a mistake. (Past Simple)	She _____ to _____ made a mistake. It is known that she _____ a mistake.
4. People report he <u>was living</u> abroad when the crime was committed. (Past Continuous)	He _____ to _____ been _____ abroad when the crime was committed. It is reported that he _____ abroad when the crime was committed.