

PASSIVE AND ACTIVE VOICE PRACTICE

Complete the following true stories with the correct active or passive forms of the verbs in brackets.



a. seventy-five prisoners in northern Mexico _____ (spend) over six months digging a tunnel in an attempt to escape from Saltillo prison. Unfortunately for them, however, their tunnel _____ (come) up in the nearby courtroom, where they _____ (sentence). All seventy-five prisoners _____ (return) to prison immediately by the surprised judge.



b. Mrs. Redwood, from Portland in Australia, _____ (attack) by a burglar while she was talking on the phone to her brother in Leeds, England. Her brother _____ (hear) strange noises, and _____ (phone) his

local police station in Leeds.

Immediately a police officer _____ (send) to Mrs. Redwood's house. The woman _____ (rescue) just 18 minutes after the attack _____ (happen).



c. A towel _____ (steal) from a "Holiday Inn" hotel in the USA, every 12 seconds- a total of 2.7 million towels a year.

d. Over a million pounds worth of jewelry _____ (steal) from a private house in Chelsea in London yesterday. It _____ (believe) that the robbery _____ (happen) late last night while the owners were attending a party in another part of London. Three men _____ (see) outside the house at about midnight last night, but **so far** no one _____ (arrest). Police officers were asking people who were in the area that night.

A 10.000 dollars reward _____ (offer)



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