

# Unit 11: Passive voice (past)

We form the past simple passive by using *was / were* followed by the past participle.

Active	Passive
Someone stole my bike last week.	My bike <b>was stolen</b> last week.
They built our school in 2012.	Our school <b>was built</b> in 2012.

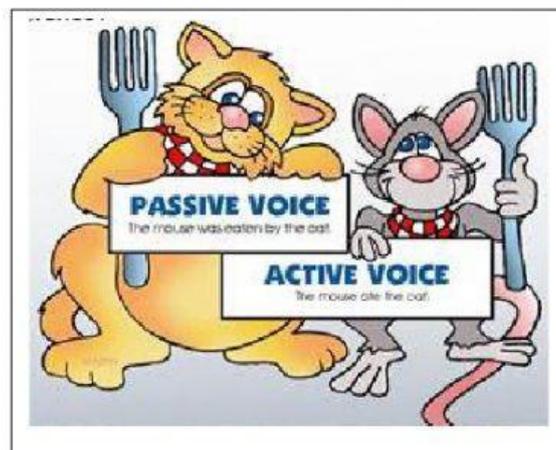
Complete the sentences with the past simple passive form of the verbs in the box.

build close give send take tell

- 1 Our house ..... five years ago.
- 2 We ..... how to get out if there is a fire in the building.
- 3 The shops ..... all day Sunday.
- 4 I ..... a watch for my birthday.
- 5 These photos ..... on my phone.
- 6 I ..... this email yesterday.

Complete the sentences with the past passive form of the verbs.

- 1 My new phone ..... (make) in Japan.
- 2 This book ..... (write) by my cousin.
- 3 This record player ..... (use) by my dad when he was a child.
- 4 The tennis match ..... (won) by my best friend.
- 5 My brother ..... (teach) English by our aunt.
- 6 The students ..... (give) extra homework by the maths teacher.

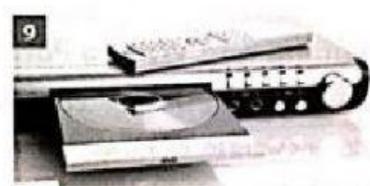
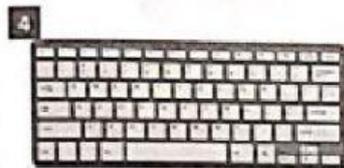


**2** Write past passive sentences with *on, in, of* or *by*.

- 1 The first email / send / 1971  
The first email was sent in 1971.
- 2 The first digital cameras / sell / a company called Logitech  
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- 3 The first fridge / build / Jacob Perkins / 1834  
.....
- 4 The first computer mouse / make / wood  
.....
- 5 The first hairdryer / use / a French hairdresser  
.....
- 6 The first text messages / write / 3rd December, 1992  
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## Vocabulary

Write the words under the pictures.



Complete the sentences with the verbs in the box.

call chat download email address play text use

- 1 I **play** a football game online with my friends a lot.
- 2 I'll send it to you. Is your ..... kharris@jhmil.com?
- 3 I often ..... music from an online store.
- 4 I've got your mobile number, so I'll ..... you when I arrive – it's cheaper than phoning.
- 5 I ..... the internet a lot for my homework.
- 6 I need to ..... my mum to speak to her about giving us a lift this evening.
- 7 My friends and I use a few different apps to ..... to each other.

Match the sentence halves.

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|-----------------------------|---|
| 1 A lamp is used            | a to clean your clothes.                  |
| 2 A case is used            | b to carry things in and to protect them. |
| 3 A fridge is used          | c to tell you the time.                   |
| 4 A keyboard is used        | d to make food hot.                       |
| 5 A clock is used           | e to help you read at night.              |
| 6 A cooker is used          | f to keep food cold.                      |
| 7 A washing machine is used | g to write on a computer.                 |

