PASSIVE VOICE

1. The first sentence is in the ACTIVE VOICE. Choose the **most** correct way of saying the same thing in the PASSIVE VOICE:

1. *They were interviewing her for the job.*

She _____ for the job.

- was being interviewed
- was interviewed
- has been interviewed

2. *Tom is writing the letter.*

The letter _____ by Tom.

- was written
- is being written
- has been written

3. *Everyone understands English.*

English _____ by everyone.

- is understood
- has been understood
- was understood

4. *The employees brought up this issue during the meeting.*

This issue _____ by the employees during the meeting.

- has been brought up
- is brought up
- was brought up

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5. *The professor told him not to talk in class.*

He _____ by the professor not to talk in class.

- has been told
- was told
- was being told

6. *They say that women are smarter than men.*

Women _____ to be smarter than men.

- were being said
- were said
- are said

7. *The fire has destroyed the house.*

The house _____ by the fire.

- has been destroyed
- was being destroyed
- is destroyed

8. *She would have told you.*

You _____ by her.

- would have been told
- would be told
- were being told

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9. *She would reject the offer.*

The offer _____ by her.

- will have been rejected
- would be rejected
- will be rejected

10. *This surprises me.*

I _____ by this.

- would have been surprised
- will be surprised
- am surprised

2 Put the verbs in brackets into the passive.

Every spring, before the summer season starts, our local beach (1) _____ (**clean**) by volunteers. All the rubbish (2) _____ (**pick up**) and (3) _____ (**put**) into big bags. Later, it (4) _____ (**separate**) into things that can (5) _____ (**recycle**), like glass and paper, and things that have to (6) _____ (**throw**) away. Last year, 10 large bin bags (7) _____ (**take**) to the local recycling centre. I always help with the cleaning. The beach (8) _____ (**make**) safer and cleaner for all of us and it's good for the environment if some of the rubbish (9) _____ (**recycle**) too.

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