

# Fact and opinion and Passive voice

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## FACT

- A fact is something you can **prove** to be either true or false.
- You **cannot change** a fact.



## OPINION

- An opinion is how a **person or thing feels** about something.
- You **can change** an opinion.

1 Listen and read the sentences below and classify them into Facts or Opinions.

- \_\_\_\_\_ My favorite British tradition is the Cheese Rolling!
- \_\_\_\_\_ Thanksgiving is celebrated in the USA in November.
- \_\_\_\_\_ New Year is celebrated in Bali with a 24 hour period of silence and meditation, known as "Nyepli".
- \_\_\_\_\_ I don't think I could practice the "Nyepli" as Balinese people do.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Lanna's Lantern Festival takes place on the full moon of the 12<sup>th</sup> Thai month.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I think rice-paper lanterns in the sky are an amazing view.

## The Passive Voice

### The passive: Simple present

#### Affirmative and negative

##### Affirmative

- Pedro's T-shirt **is made** from cotton.  
The T-shirts **are transported** on ships.

##### Negative

- It **isn't recycled**.  
Workers **aren't paid** much.

#### Think!

Complete the rule.

- We form the simple present passive with the simple present of the verb \_\_\_\_\_ + the past participle of the main verb.

### Questions and short answers

#### yes / no questions and short answers

Is this notebook **made** from recycled paper?  
**Yes, it is.** / **No, it isn't.**

**Are** these T-shirts **sold** in the U.S?  
**Yes, they are.** / **No, they aren't.**

#### Wh- questions

Object question: What **is** it **made** from?  
Subject question: How many T-shirts **are sold** in the U.S?

#### Think!

Choose the correct alternatives.

- When forming passive questions with question words (*Wh-* or *How*), the verb *be* comes <sup>1</sup>**before** / **after** the subject in object questions, and <sup>2</sup>**before** / **after** the subject in subject questions.

**Complete the sentences with the affirmative (✓) or negative (✗) passive simple present form of the verbs in the box.**

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|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| celebrate   find   grow   produce   sell   serve   speak   teach |
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- The cocoa plant is grown in Ghana. (✓)
- 1 These cell phones \_\_\_\_\_ in the U.S. (✗)
  - 2 Russian \_\_\_\_\_ at my school. (✗)
  - 3 Thanksgiving \_\_\_\_\_ in the U.S. and Canada. (✓)
  - 4 The books \_\_\_\_\_ online on our website. (✓)
  - 5 Dinner \_\_\_\_\_ at 7 p.m. (✓)
  - 6 English \_\_\_\_\_ in the U.S. (✓)
  - 7 Lions \_\_\_\_\_ in Antarctica. (✗)

**Complete the questions and short answers. Use the passive present simple form of the verbs in parentheses.**

- "Is \_\_\_\_\_ tea grown in India?" "Yes, it is \_\_\_\_\_." (grow)
- 1 "\_\_\_\_\_ the students \_\_\_\_\_ their exam results?"  
"In the summer." (give)
  - 2 "\_\_\_\_\_ this fruit juice \_\_\_\_\_?" "In California." (produce)
  - 3 "\_\_\_\_\_ breakfast \_\_\_\_\_ at the hotel?" "No, \_\_\_\_\_." (provide)
  - 4 "\_\_\_\_\_ Portuguese \_\_\_\_\_ in Brazil?" "Yes, \_\_\_\_\_." (speak)
  - 5 "\_\_\_\_\_ the workers \_\_\_\_\_ well?" "No, \_\_\_\_\_." (pay)
  - 6 "\_\_\_\_\_ the cakes \_\_\_\_\_ with?" "They are made with flour, butter, and chocolate." (make)
  - 7 "\_\_\_\_\_ the songs \_\_\_\_\_ on the laptop?" "Yes, \_\_\_\_\_." (store)