

Junior 4 - Language: Unit 6 (Passive Voice)

Active voice: My mother painted that picture last year. (Focus on the person -or thing- who does the action)

Passive voice: That picture was painted by my mother last year. (Focus on the recipient of the action, what happens to it)

1) Choose the correct option to make sentences in the passive voice:

- a) Many accidents are caused / will be caused by dangerous driving every day.
- b) The roof of the building was damaged / is damaged in a storm a few days ago.
- c) You been invited / were invited to the wedding. Why didn't you go?
- d) In the United States, elections for President are held / are hold every four years.
- e) Originally the book was wrote / was written in Spanish and a few years ago it was translated / were translated into English.
- f) Is gold found / find in Argentina?
- g) Was the telephone invented / invent by Graham Bell?

2) Complete these sentences with the verbs into the passive or active form.

- a) It is a big factory. Five hundred people ...are employed... (employ) there.
- b) Water (cover) most of the Earth's surface.
- c) Most of the Earth's surface (cover) by water.
- d) Yesterday, a boat (sink) near the coast but fortunately everybody (rescue) by the Coast Guard.
- e) While I was on holiday, my camera (steal) from my hotel room.
- f) I saw an accident last night. Somebody (call) the ambulance, but nobody (injure) fortunately.

3) Rewrite these sentences into the passive voice (include the agent only when necessary):

- a) Somebody cleans the room every day. The room ...is **cleaned everyday**....
- b) They cancelled all the flights because of fog. All the flights
- c) They are going to build a new hospital near the airport.
A new hospital.....
- d) My grandfather built this house in 1950.
- e) They have postponed the concert due to heavy rain.
- f) Three million people visit the museum every year.