## Passive Voice

| Verb tense | Active voice | Passive voice |
|---|---|---|
| Present simple | They take the photos in Africa | The photos are taken in Africa |
| Present continuous | They are taking the photos in Africa | The photos are being taken in Africa |
| Present perfect | They have taken the photos in Africa | The photos have been taken in Africa |
| Past simple | They took the photos in Africa | The photos were taken in Africa |
| Past continuous | They were taking the photos in Africa | The photos were being taken in Africa |
| Past perfect | They had taken the photos in Africa | The photos had been taken in Africa |
| Future simple | They will take the photos in Africa | The photos will be taken in Africa |
| Be going to | They are going to take the photos in Africa | The photos are going to be taken in Africa |
| Future perfect | They will will have taken the photos in Africa | The photos will have been taken in Africa |

**A.) <u>Rewrite the sentences in the passive. Omit the agent if unnecessary.</u>**

1. Mrs. Simpson is teaching us English this year.

   _____.
2. People all over the world use Instagram these days.

   _____.
3. Someone damaged a priceless painting yesterday.

   _____.
4. Nadia is going to release a new album next year.

   _____.
5. She hasn't washed her new T-shirt yet.

   _____.
6. We can see the Great Wall of China from space.

   _____.
7. Someone is designing new apps for our mobile phones.

   _____.
8. My father may donate the heirloom to a museum.

   _____.
9. Thousands of people visited the castle museum last year.

   _____.
10. They have exported Japanese porcelain to Europe since the 1800s.

    _____.

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**D. Complete the text. Use the correct form of the passive.**

## Mobile Phones

**Frequently asked questions**



*How many smartphones are there in the world today?*

It is **0.)** *is estimated* **(estimate)** that there are 6.648 billion smartphones in the world today.

*How often do people change their phones?*

Mobile phones **1.)** _____ **(improve)** by companies all the time so people always want the latest model. On average, people change their phones every 18 months. This means that every year about 15 million phones **2.)** _____ **(replace)** in Britain alone.

*What do people do with their old phones?*

Unfortunately, thousands and thousands of phones **3.)** _____ **(already/ throw)** away which isn't good for the environment. However, more and more phones **4.)** _____ **(recycle)** these days. The recycled phones **5.)** _____ **(often / send)** to developing countries.

*Will mobiles continue to be the most important device of the future?*

You can do lots of things with your mobile phones. However, scientists believe that mobile phones **6.)** _____ **(replace)** by contact lenses in the future.

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