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INGLÉS VI

Voz Pasiva — Presente y Pasado

La voz pasiva ocurre cuando el sujeto gramatical de la oración no es quien realiza la acción sino quien recibe el efecto de la acción, por ejemplo:

Algunos mexicanos construyeron esos automóviles (Sujeto=los hombres, realizan activamente la acción expresada en el verbo, construir= voz activa)

Los automóviles fueron construidos por mexicanos (Sujeto=los automóviles, reciben el efecto del verbo, fueron construidos= voz pasiva). En inglés la estructura es muy similar,

Those men made these cars (Esos hombres hicieron estos autos – voz activa),
These cars were made by those men (Estos autos fueron hechos por aquellos hombres – voz pasiva).

NOTA: En el español de México es más común utilizar una voz media con “se” que la voz pasiva, por ejemplo: “Se construyeron cientos de autos en fábricas mexicanas” en vez de “ Cientos de autos fueron construidos en fábricas mexicanas”.

Estructura: La voz pasiva en inglés tiene esta estructura:

Sujeto (recibe efecto de la acción) + Aux. BE (en el tiempo que sea necesario) + V past participle + Complements

The cars + are + made + in Italy. (Passive Voice, Present Simple)
These cars + were + made + in France (Passive Voice, Past Simple)

El auxiliar BE es quien expresa el tiempo en que está la oración.

Para incluir a quien realiza la acción, se añade al final de la oración después de la palabra *by*. p.ej.

She was promoted to General Manager *by* the Company President.
(Ella fue ascendida a Gerente General *por* el Presidente de la compañía).

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Present Simple Passive Voice Exercises:

Sentence Transformation: Transform the following active voice sentences into passive voice:

1. a) ***The chef prepares delicious meals.*** meals Delicious the chef prepared are by
   [Delicious] [_____] [_____] [_____] [_____] [_____] .

2. b) ***They clean the classroom every day.*** cleaned is day every
   [The] [classroom] [_____] [_____] [_____] [_____] .

3. c) ***People speak Spanish in many countries.*** spoken Spanish countries in many is
   [_____] [_____] [_____] [_____] [_____] [_____] .

4. d) ***She teaches English to children.*** children taught English by her is to
   [_____] [_____] [_____] [_____] [_____] [_____] .

5. e) ***He fixes the car every weekend.*** every fixed His weekend car is
   [_____] [_____] [_____] [_____] [_____] [_____]

Fill in the Blanks: Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verb in passive voice and the auxiliary verb to BE in present simple.

a) The cake _____ (bake) by my mom.

b) English _____ (speak) all over the world.

c) The house _____ (clean) every Saturday.

d) The report _____ (write) by the team.

e) The problem _____ (solve) by the experts.

Multiple Choice: Write the correct passive voice sentence:

- a) The trees (plant) by the gardener.
  _____ .
- b) The project (finish) by the team.
  _____ .
- c) The letters (send) by the secretary.
  _____ .
- d) The cake (bake) by Sarah.
  _____ .
- e) The room (clean) by the maid.
  _____ .

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Past Simple Passive Voice Exercises:

1. **Sentence Transformation:** Transform the following active voice sentences into passive voice:

a) The company launched the new product last month.
Last new product month launched was The the by company
_____ .

b) Many people watched the movie in the cinema.
Cinema by many watched people was movie The in the
_____ .

c) The police caught the thief yesterday.
yesterday thief police The the caught was by
_____ .

d) They invited us to the party.
by We invited the to were them party
_____ .

e) The principal wrote a letter to his mother.
his principal mother the A letter written was by to
_____ .

2. **Fill in the Blanks:** Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verb in passive voice:

- a) The letter _____ (send) by me yesterday.
- b) The song _____ (sing) by the children.
- c) The mistake _____ (correct) by the teacher.
- d) The cake _____ (eat) by everyone at the party.
- e) The problem _____ (solve) by the team last week.

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3. **Rewrite Sentences:** Rewrite the following sentences in passive voice:

- a) She bought a new car yesterday.

  _____ .

- b) He found the lost keys in the garden.

  _____ .

- c) They invited us to the party.

  _____ .

- d) The teacher punished the students for being late.

  _____ .

- e) The company awarded him a prize for his outstanding work.

  _____ .

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