

It's Review Time!



1) Using the *by*-phrase.

Change these active sentences to passive. Keep the same tense. Include the *by*-phrase only if necessary.

1. People grow rice in India. → *Rice is grown in India.*
2. My aunt made this rug. → *This rug was made by my aunt.*
3. They are fixing my car today. _____
4. Mr. Eads designed that bridge in the 1870s. _____
5. Someone invented the wheel thousands of years ago. _____
6. Did Thomas Edison invent the telephone? _____

2) Forming the passive.

Directions: Change these active sentences to passive if possible. Some of verbs are intransitive and cannot be changed. Keep the same tense.

1. My uncle will meet you at the airport. → *You will be met at the airport by my uncle.*
2. Our plane will land at 6:03. (*no change*)
3. John is working at the bakery. _____
4. The chef will prepare the food. _____
5. The baby was crying in his crib. _____
6. Thousands of people ride the subway every day. _____
7. George seemed unhappy yesterday. _____
8. The office manager answered the phone. _____

3) Active or Passive?

Directions: Use either active or passive, in any appropriate tense, for the verbs in parentheses.

1. The Amazon valley is extremely important to the ecology of the earth. Forty percent of the world's oxygen (*produce*) _____ there.
2. Right now Roberto is in the hospital. He (*treat*) _____ for a bad burn on his hand and arm.
3. The game (*win, probably*) _____ by the other team tomorrow. They're a lot better than we are.
4. There was a terrible accident on a busy downtown street yesterday. Dozens of people (*see*) _____ it, including my friend, who (*interview*) _____ by the police.
5. In my country, certain prices, such as the price of medical supplies, (*control*) _____ by the government. Other prices (*determine*) _____ by how much consumers are willing to pay for a product.
6. Yesterday a purse-snatcher (*catch*) _____ by a dog. While the thief (*chase*) _____ by the police, he (*jump*) _____ over a fence into someone's yard, where he encountered a ferocious dog. The dog (*keep*) _____ the thief from escaping.