

# GRAMMAR REVIEW

## A Complete the conversations with the active or passive form of the verbs given.

1. A I think 15-year-olds \_\_\_\_\_ (should / allow) to have jobs. They're old enough.  
B Well, I think they \_\_\_\_\_ (should / spend) their time studying, not working.  
A Yes, but I still think they \_\_\_\_\_ (ought to / give) a choice about whether to work. Some kids \_\_\_\_\_ (need to / earn) money, and they \_\_\_\_\_ (should / encourage) to work.
2. A People \_\_\_\_\_ (should / not / allow) to get credit cards until they're 21. They're not responsible enough.  
B But young people \_\_\_\_\_ (need to / learn) to manage their money, don't they?  
A Yes, but they \_\_\_\_\_ (not / have to / give) credit cards. They \_\_\_\_\_ (could / use) debit cards instead.
3. A Something \_\_\_\_\_ (ought / do) about dangerous drivers who've caused an accident. Maybe their licenses \_\_\_\_\_ (could / take) away for life or something.  
B But people learn from mistakes. They \_\_\_\_\_ (should / not / lose) their licenses forever.  
A Well, maybe they \_\_\_\_\_ (should / required) to take a driving test every year, then.

## A Complete the comments on transportation in other countries. Use the *get* or *be* passive with the verbs given. Both forms are possible.

1. People who \_\_\_\_\_ (catch) speeding in Norway can \_\_\_\_\_ (fine) 10 percent of their annual income. Sometimes they \_\_\_\_\_ (sentence) to 18 days in jail, too. That's pretty harsh. I mean, they should just \_\_\_\_\_ (sentence) to community service instead. – *Lars, Norway*
2. Here in Germany, people \_\_\_\_\_ (not / arrest) for speeding on the freeway because many areas don't have a speed limit. I love to drive fast, so I definitely think these laws should \_\_\_\_\_ (not / change). But you know, people \_\_\_\_\_ (fine) for running out of gas on the freeway. I guess it's dangerous, so . . . – *Lena, Germany*
3. It's interesting, but in some European countries, if your car breaks down, and you get out of the car without a visibility vest, you could \_\_\_\_\_ (fine). I really think laws like that should \_\_\_\_\_ (not / enforce). Actually, things like that should \_\_\_\_\_ (not / make) into laws at all. It should be your own choice. – *Jill, United States*

### Note

After a modal verb (e.g., *can*, *should*, etc.), you can use a *get* passive, but *be* passives are over 90 times more frequent.

**A** Circle the correct words to complete the opinions.

1. People should not be **encouraged** / **changed** / **passed** to keep dangerous pets like snakes and spiders.
2. Cell phones shouldn't be **fined** / **allowed** / **given** in museums.
3. People who litter should be **encouraged** / **allowed** / **fined** at least \$100 for each item they drop.
4. People should be **given** / **made** / **changed** to vote.
5. Laws have to be **passed** / **arrested** / **done** to ban smoking in all public places.
6. Young people ought to be **banned** / **made** / **given** a driving test every year until they are 21.
7. Smoking on city streets could easily be **made** / **passed** / **banned**.
8. People should be **arrested** / **made** / **changed** for not carrying an ID.



Complete the conversation with the words and expressions in the box.

another thing is	I never thought of it that way	number two	there are two reasons
basically	number one	✓ their point is	you've got a point

Pam Did you hear they won't let students bring snacks to class anymore? Some teachers complained that students spend too much time eating when they should be taking notes. I guess their point is, students aren't paying enough attention.

Roger I don't think that's right. I mean, \_\_\_\_\_, you should be allowed to bring a snack.

Pam Why do you think that?

Roger Well, I mean, ... \_\_\_\_\_. I guess, \_\_\_\_\_, you don't always have enough time between classes to get something to eat. And \_\_\_\_\_, some classes are three hours long! You really need to eat just to stay awake! And, \_\_\_\_\_, the teachers sometimes have drinks and things while they're teaching.

Pam Hmm. ... \_\_\_\_\_ there, but in some classes, students just leave the garbage from their snacks and drinks all over the desks. It's really disgusting.

Roger Yeah, that's true. I must admit, ... \_\_\_\_\_.