PASSIVE VOICE

Complete with the *passive voice*.

1 A space probe ___was sent___ (send) to Mars two months ago.
2 Roller skates _____ (invent) in 1949.
3 She _____ (might / interview) by a famous journalist.
4 The classrooms _____ (clean) every day.
5 We can't use my office at the moment. It _____ (clean).
6 I think a hospital _____ (build) here next year.
7 Mr Smith was waiting while his car _____ (repair).
8 We can't go to the concert. All the tickets _____ (sell).
9 I _____ (can / contact) in an emergency.
10 By the time the police arrived, all the money _____ (steal).

Rewrite the sentences in the *passive voice*.

1 Anyone can answer this question.
This question can be answered by anyone.
2 An old man was following the girls.
3 Detective Roberts is interviewing the robbers.
4 Jean Pierre is going to design her wedding dress.
5 A vet was examining the sick cat.
6 A doctor should treat that wound.
7 The new reporter can write that article.
8 Kate Woods might sing this song.

Rewrite the sentences in the *passive voice*.

1 The prime minister will give a medal to the winners.
A medal *will be given to the winners by the prime minister.*
2 He gave Tim some money.
Tim
3 They've offered Sally a job.
Sally
4 She is telling the children a story.
The children
5 They gave Bob a CD player for his birthday.
Bob
6 He must give the message to the right person.
The message
7 We teach our students English and French.
Our students
8 Someone brought flowers for the bride.
Flowers
9 They showed the tourists the sights of Athens.
The tourists
10 They pay her an excellent salary.
She

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Rewrite the sentences in the *passive voice*. Use the correct construction.

1 It is said that a black cat brings bad luck.
A black cat is said *to bring bad luck.*

2 It is known that dogs are colour blind.
Dogs are known .....

3 It is believed that he has moved to Brazil.
He is believed .....

4 The thieves are reported to have escaped.
It is reported .....

5 It is said that five people died in the accident yesterday.
Five people are said .....

6 The plane is reported to have landed safely last night.
It is reported .....

7 The new restaurant is thought to be very good.
It is thought .....

8 The actor is said to be seriously ill.
It is said .....

9 It is thought that people came here three thousand years ago.
People .....

10 She is believed to have bought the painting for over a million pounds.
It is believed .....

CAUSATIVE FORM

1 Complete with the *causative form*. Use the tense given.

1 I *have my car washed* (my car / wash) once a week. (present simple)

2 Jill ..... (her house / break into) while she was in Spain. (past simple)

3 We ..... (our living room/ redecorate). (present perfect)

4 Walter ..... (the tap / fix) when I called him. (past continuous)

5 Don't worry. I ..... (this film / develop) tomorrow. (will)

6 Mike's over there. He ..... (his photograph / take). (present continuous)

7 I ..... (this report / type) by Monday morning. (future perfect)

8 We ..... (all our suitcases / send) to the hotel. (past simple)

9 Wanda ..... (her hair / cut). (present continuous)

10 She ..... (the article / translate). (past perfect)

2 Complete with the *causative form*.

1 We *are having our garage rebuilt* (our garage / rebuild) at the moment.

2 Dad ..... (his newspaper / deliver) to our house every morning.

3 She usually ..... (her breakfast / serve) in her room.

4 He ..... (his last book / publish) in 1999.

5 I ..... (the letters / just / type).

6 The actor ..... (his portrait / paint) two times so far.

7 The house ..... (its roof / blow off) in the storm last night.

8 Sue ..... (her carpets / clean) when I phoned.

9 They ..... (the swimming pool / already / clean) when we visited them.

10 I ..... (the door / fix) soon, I promise.

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