

Active and Passive Simple tenses

Ex. 1 Identify which sentence is Active (A) and which is Passive (P).

- 1 They grow coffee in Kenya. ()
Coffee is grown in Kenya. ()
- 2 The bridge was built by the Romans 2000 years ago. ()
The Romans built the bridge 2000 years ago. ()
- 3 They will send her an invitation tomorrow. ()
An invitation will be sent to her tomorrow. ()
- 4 They serve you lunch on the plane. ()
Lunch is served on the plane. ()
- 5 Some trees have been planted in the street. ()
They have planted some trees in the street. ()

Ex. 2 Choose the correct answer.

1. They **will build** / **will be built** a new stadium here in 2025.
2. **Do you interest** / **Are you interested** in sports?
3. The meeting **cancels** / **is cancelled till next Monday**.
4. I **ate** / **was eaten** a piece of cake.
5. This film **makes** / **is made** in Hollywood.
6. His hair **cut** / **was cut** by a professional three days ago.
7. Somebody **stole** / **was stolen** his camera from the hotel.
8. His camera **stole** / **was stolen** from the hotel.
9. His glasses **left** / **were left** in the room.
10. Portuguese **speak** / **is spoken** in Brazil.
11. The project **hasn't started** / **hasn't been started** yet.
12. London **visited** / **is visited** by millions of tourists every year.

Ex.3 Rewrite the sentences in the Passive.

- 1 Someone will meet you at the airport.
...*You will be met at the airport.*...
- 2 He hasn't watered the plants.
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- 3 George and Sarah arranged a fantastic party.
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- 4 The mechanic hasn't repaired the car.
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- 5 They feed the animals twice a day.
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- 6 Sam will fix the roof.
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- 7 Cherry Lane launched the new menswear line.
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- 8 Claire designed the red dress.
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- 9 The clown will entertain the children.
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- 10 He has mended the puncture.
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Ex.4 Fill in the gaps with the correct passive tense of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 A: Have they delivered your new sofa yet?
B: Not yet. It
(**deliver**) at the end of the day.
- 2 A: Is your house old?
B: Yes, it's quite old. It
(**build**) in 1920.

- 3 A: That's a beautiful watch.
B: Thank you. It **(give)**
to me for Christmas.
- 4 A: When will I get my money?
B: It **(put)** in the bank
tomorrow morning.
- 5 A: Are the *Musical Notes* a good band?
B: Yes, they are. They
(award) best song of the year in 1997.
- 6 A: Did Shakespeare write *Wuthering Heights*?
B: No, of course not. *Wuthering Heights*
..... **(write)** by Emily Brönte.
- 7 A: What will happen to the old town library?
B: It **(tear
down)** at the end of the month.
- 8 A: Do you do the housework?
B: No, I don't. The housework
..... **(do)** once a week by a cleaning lady.

Ex. 5 Fill in the gaps with *is, was, has* or *will*.

- 1 He ...*was*... asked to open the window.
- 2 The metro be finished early next year.
- 3 The shopping done every Friday.
- 4 The telephone been repaired.
- 5 The office redecorated last week.
- 6 She been asked to leave.
- 7 The new shop be opened tomorrow.
- 8 When I was in high school the history class
..... taught by Mr Allen.
- 9 The building destroyed in the flood.
- 10 The thief been caught by the police.