

PASSIVE KEY

1. Present Simple Passive

- a. English **is spoken** in many countries.
- b. The post **is delivered** at about 7 o'clock every morning.
- c. **Is the building used** any more?
- d. How often **are the Olympic Games held**?
- e. How **is your name spelled**?
- f. My salary **is paid** every month.
- g. These cars **aren't made** in Japan.
- h. The name of the people who committed the crime **isn't known**.
- i. His travel expenses **aren't paid** by his company.

2. Past Simple Passive

- a. My car **was repaired** last week.
- b. This song **wasn't written** by John Lennon.
- c. **Was the phone answered** by a young girl?
- d. The film **was made** ten years ago.
- e. When **was tennis invented**?
- f. The car **wasn't damaged** in the accident.
- g. The original building **was pulled** down in 1965.
- h. Where **was this pot made**?
- i. When **was this bridge built**?

3. FIAT (Mixed Active and Passive)

1. produced
2. were exported
3. started
4. were tested
5. was called
6. exported
7. are sold

4. Sentence Transformation

- a. Tickets for all shows **are sold** at the Box Office.
- b. The electric light bulb **was invented** by Thomas Edison.
- c. The office **was painted** last week.
- d. The accident **was seen** by several people.
- e. Where **are these video recorders made**?

5 Rewrite in Passive Voice

- a. This house **was built** 200 years ago.
- b. My purse **was stolen** by a thief.
- c. The robbers **will be arrested** by the police.
- d. Cars **are produced** in this factory.
- e. Breakfast **is served** at eight o'clock every day.
- f. Tons of rubbish **are thrown away** every day.
- g. Coffee **is made** in Brazil.
- h. Jim's bike **was stolen** last night.

6 Rewrite in Passive Voice

- a. A new bridge **will be built** next year.
- b. *The Ultimate Space Adventure* **was directed** by Brian Brody.
- c. Her costume **will be designed** by Pierre Matie.
- d. My wallet **was found**.
- e. The window **was broken** by one of the students.
- f. My computer **will be delivered** on Monday.
- g. Paul **was invited** to Mary's birthday party.
- h. A new planet **was discovered** by British astronomers.

7. Form the Question

- b. **Was the telephone invented** by Mr. Bell?
- c. **Was this picture painted** by Peter?
- d. **Will the thieves be arrested** by the police?
- e. **Is champagne made** in France?
- f. **Will the letters be sent** next week?
- g. **Are the animals fed** three times a day?
- h. **Was this article written** by Stanley?
- i. **Are CDs made** of plastic?
- j. **Was the party organized** by Paul?

Exercise 8: Past Simple Passive

a. The toothbrush **was invented** in the 15th century. b. The first public basketball game **was played** in 1892. c. The first eyeglasses **were worn** in the 1200s. d. The first bicycle **was ridden** in 1791. e. The first hot dog **was eaten** in the 1860s. f. The first CDs **were sold** in the 1980s. g. The first electric guitar **was played** in 1923. h. The first computer mouse **was used** in 1964.

Exercise 9: Present Simple Passive

a. This programme **is watched** by millions of people. b. Paper **is made** from wood. c. Hundreds of people **are killed** in accidents every year. d. London **is visited** by thousands of tourists every year. e. The biology class **is taught** by Mr Green. f. English **is spoken** all over the world. g. Lunch **is served** at twelve o'clock. h. Books **are written** by authors.

Exercise 10: Put the verbs in brackets into Past Simple Passive.

Two men **were seen** breaking into a house in my street last night. The police **were called** and they arrived very quickly. One man **was caught** immediately. The other escaped, but he **was found** very soon. Both men **were taken** to the police station where they **were questioned** separately by a police officer. The two men **were charged** with burglary.

Exercise 11:

A bus **has been stolen**... The thief **was seen** by some children. The bus **is being searched for** now. The children's descriptions **will be used** to catch the thief.

Exercise 12: A UFO **was seen...** It **was reported** to the police. A helicopter **was sent...** The helicopter **was shot down** and both men **were killed**. Photographs **have been**

Exercise 13: UFO Report

- A local jewellery shop **was broken into** yesterday.
- The owner had just locked up the shop when he **was threatened** by a robber with a gun. the shop **had just been locked**
- The owner **was told** to unlock the shop and give him all the diamonds.
- Then the owner **was tied up**.
- A search for the robber **has been organized** by the police.
- they hope he **will be found** in a few days
- The owner of the shop **is being treated** for shock by doctors.

Exercise 14: The Sleepwalking Painter

- This picture **was painted** by my uncle.
- He **has been offered** a lot of money for it.
- The painting **will be delivered** tomorrow.
- When he **is given** the money, the truth **will be told** to them/ they **will be told** the truth
- It **was painted** one night while he was sleepwalking!

Exercise 15: School Contest

- A contest **is being organized** by our school.
- The best project **will be chosen** by the teachers.
- Pictures and drawings **must be included** in their projects.
- All the writing **will also have to be done** by the students themselves.
- A set of encyclopaedias **will be given** to the winner by the school.

Exercise 16: Two Ways (Double Objects)

- **b.** We **will be brought** the bill / The bill **will be brought** to us.
- **c.** Mary **was bought** some sweets / Some sweets **were bought** for Mary.
- **d.** Ted **has been sold** a car / A second-hand car **has been sold** to Ted.

- **e.** Tom **is going to be sent** a letter / A letter **is going to be sent** to Tom.

Exercise 17: General Practice

- **a.** She **is being helped** with the housework.
- **b.** Mrs Green **was sent** a parcel.
- **c.** I **was sent** an invitation.
- **d.** Mrs Jones **has been given** some letters.
- **e.** He **had already been given** a ticket.
- **f.** Elizabeth **was given** that beautiful ring.
- **g.** She **has been sent** flowers.
- **h.** The message **must be given** to the right person.
- **i.** Our students **are taught** English and French.
- **j.** Flowers **were bought** for the bride.
- **k.** The tourists **were shown** the sights.
- **l.** She **is paid** an excellent salary.
- **m.** The artist **was paid** £1,000.

Exercise 18: Final Cumulative Practice

- **1.** Oysters **are sold** in the shop.
- **2.** The food **hasn't been delivered** yet.
- **3.** *King Lear* **was written** by Shakespeare.
- **4.** The questions **have to be answered**.
- **5.** **Have** the cases **been put** upstairs?
- **6.** This rubbish **should be taken** away.
- **7.** You **will be asked** a lot of questions.
- **8.** She **is going to be sent** some flowers.
- **9.** I **wasn't paid** much for that job.
- **10.** **Has** he **been offered** a better job?
- **11.** We **were told** a secret./ a secret was told to us
- **12.** **Would** their car **be lent** to me?
- **13.** their Complaints **should be sent** to the head office.
- **14.** The meeting **had to be postponed**.
- **15.** Next year's congress **is going to be held**.
- **16.** Service **is included** in the bill.
- **17.** This road **isn't used** very often.
- **18.** All flights **were cancelled**.
- **19.** I **was accused** of stealing the money.
- **20.** A new ring-road **is being built**.
- **21.** Our conversation **was being recorded**.

- 22. The date of the meeting **has been changed**.
- 23. I **was told** that he **had been attacked** and **robbed**.
- 24. The wine **should be opened**.
- 25. My shoes **had been cleaned** and my suit **brushed**.
- 26. This room **is used** only on special occasions.
- 27. Pigs **are used** to find truffles.
- 28. Elizabeth **was given** that ring.
- 29. Sarah **has been offered** a very good job.
- 30. The house **was shown** to the young people.
- 31. The gardener **will be paid** a lot of money.
- 32. The roof **is going to be repaired** next week.
- 33. Joanna **can't be found**.
- 34. The room **should be decorated** with flowers.
- 35. An ancient temple **has been discovered**.
- 36. All these things **will be put** into boxes.
- 37. Teenagers **were rescued** from the building.
- 38. The best composition **has been written**.
- 39. Messages **are sent** to me every day.
- 40. The travellers **were given** food and water.
- 41. The story **was written** by a young girl.
- 42. The new road **is going to be finished**.
- 43. The match **was cancelled** because of rain.
- 44. This line **must not be crossed**.
- 45. The oranges **had been picked**.
- 46. The book **should be written** by Prof. Smith.
- 47. The workers **will be paid** by Mr Elliot.
- 48. Tom **was being followed**.
- 49. The Internet **is used** by millions.
- 50. Bob **was given** a CD player.
- 51. A medal **will be given** to the winners.
- 52. The children **are being told** a story.
- 53. Sally **has been offered** a job.
- 54. The river **has been polluted**.
- 55. She **is being examined** by Dr Simms.
- 56. He **must be stopped** now.
- 57. They **were given** free tickets.

