

PASSIVE VOICE



There are many ways of
expressing ourselves, and each
one has a name.

Today, we will study a form called
PASSIVE VOICE

People in Italy **SPEAK** Italian.

ACTIVE

Italian **IS SPOKEN** in Italy.

PASSIVE

Tourists **SEE** many whales in Puerto Madryn from June to October.

ACTIVE

Many whales **ARE SEEN** in Puerto Madryn from June to October.

PASSIVE

People **MAKE** most shoes of eco-leather.

ACTIVE

Most shoes **ARE MADE** of eco-leather.

PASSIVE

SO, HOW IS THIS FORM MADE?

People around the world BUY thousands of electronic devices.

Thousands of electronic devices ARE BOUGHT by people around the world

VERB TO BE + 3rd COLUMN OF THE LIST

BARE FORM

- give
- be
- beat
- become
- begin
- find
- bet
- see
- bite
- blow
- break
- bring

PAST SIMPLE

- gave
- was, were
- beat
- became
- began
- found
- bet
- saw
- bit
- blew
- broke
- brought

PARTICIPLE

- given
- been
- beaten
- become
- begun
- found
- bet
- seen
- bitten
- blown
- broken
- brought



Passive Voice in English

TENSE

ACTIVE

PASSIVE

Present Simple

I **do** my homework.

My homework **is done**.

Past Simple

I **did** my homework.

My homework **was done**.

Future Simple

I **will do** my homework.

My homework **will be done**.

Depending on the **tense** you need, you must **change** the verb **TO BE** into that form.

PRESENT SIMPLE

Many UFOs **are** often **seen** flying over the lake.

Cocoa pods **are hand-collected** during the summer.

Songs **are recorded** on special equipment.

Tables **are made** with special materials.

Children **are given** candies during Halloween.

PAST SIMPLE

My car **was repaired** yesterday.

Harry Potter **was written** by J.K. Rowling.

Many Egyptian mummies **were discovered** by accident.

Treasures **were found** in the bottom of the sea.

Many countries **were affected** by the crisis.

FUTURE SIMPLE

The tournament **will be postponed** until next July.

The walls of the house **will be painted** tomorrow.

Many writers **will be awarded** because of their novels.

The quarantine **will be extended** if the number of cases increases.

In the future, food **will be bought** in pills.



NEGATIVE

Many UFOs **are** often **seen** overflying the lake.

UFOs **aren't** often **seen** overflying the lake.

Tables **were made** with special materials.

Tables **weren't made** with special materials.

A spaceship **will be sent** to Mars.

A spaceship **won't be sent** to Mars.

A) Choose the correct option

1) The novel "Oliver Twist" **B** by Charles Dickens.

- a) Is written **b) was written** c) wrote

2) The windows _____by accident.

- a) was broken b) breaks c) were broken

3) Don't worry about the invitations. I promise they _____tomorrow morning!

- a) will be sent b) were sent c) are sent

4) The Mona Lisa _____by Leonardo Da Vinci.

- a) was paint b) painted c) was painted

B) Complete the sentences with the Passive form of the verb in brackets

Present Simple

- 1) Football is played in many countries. (play)
 - 2) Dina Huapi _____ by many tourists every year. (not-visit)
 - 3) Many electronic devices _____ in Japan and China. (make)
 - 4) French _____ in many countries around the world. (not-speak)
 - 5) Education _____ the most important legacy. (condsider)
 - 6) Experiments _____ on animals. (not-try)
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Past simple

7) The Concert was held on October 30th. (hold)

8) The print _____(not-invent) by Newton.

9) The children _____to a fancy-dress party. (invite)

10) The city of Pompeii _____by a volcano. (destroy)

11) Very expensive diamonds_____in coal mines in 1890.(find)

12) The banks _____the money they asked for. (not-give)



Future Simple

13) The space-rocket will be launched next April (launch)

14) In the future, children _____by robots. (not- teach)

15) The Halley comet _____in 20 years time. (see)

16) Be careful when you buy in that website because your money
_____ (not- refund) if you don't like the product.

C) Turn into the passive form. Begin with the underlined words and remember you don't need to write "...by..." in all cases.

Example

The girl solved the mystery, not the detectives.

The mystery was solved by the girl, not the detectives.

1) Explorers finally discovered Atlantis, the lost city under the sea.

2) The students should write, save and name all their files properly.

(help: All the children's files...)

5) People will send a new satellite into space next June.

6) Jane Austin didn't write "Romeo and Juliet".