

Passive Voice

(страдательный залог)

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We use Passive Voice...

- Passive voice is used when the **focus is on the action**. It is not important or not known, however, who or what is performing the action.
Example: "A letter was written."
The focus, here, is on the fact that a letter was written. We don't know, however, who wrote it.
- Passive Voice – это конструкция, которая используется, когда предмет не сам выполняет действие, а испытывает его на себе со стороны другого действия или лица.
- Когда мы используем страдательный залог, нам важно действие, а не его исполнитель.

FORMING THE PASSIVE VOICE



To be + V₃

Simple Present

am
is (not)
are

Simple Past

was
Were (not
)

Future

will (not)
be

Participle II
(III form, -ed)

Когда важно кто (или что) совершил (совершило) действие, используется предлог **by**:

She was given flowers by Steve.



Examples

- The letter was written last week.
- The picture will be drawn soon.
- The floor is always washed by mother.

Compare

Active Voice:

We watch TV every day.

Passive Voice:

TV is watched every day.

Exercises

- ***Make Passive sentences in Present Simple***
- 1. the window / open
- 2. the shoes / buy
- 3. the car / wash
- 4. the letter / send
- 5. the book / read / not
- 6. the songs / sing / not
- 7. the shop / close / not

Exercises

- *Make Passive sentences in Past Simple.*
- 1. the cat / feed
- 2. the test / write
- 3. the table / set
- 4. the house / build
- 5. dinner / serve
- 6. this computer / sell / not
- 7. the tables / clean / not

Exercises

- *Make Passive sentences in Future Simple .*
- 1. the exhibition / visit
- 2. the windows / clean
- 3. the message / read
- 4. the photo / take
- 5. these songs / sing
- 6. a dictionary / use / not
- 7. credit cards / accept / not

Exercises

- *Sentences are given in the active voice. Change them into the passive voice.*
- 1. He teaches English.
- 2. The child is eating bananas.
- 3. She is writing a letter.
- 4. The master punished the servant.
- 5. He was writing a book.
- 6. Who wrote this letter?
- 7. Somebody cooks meal every day.
- 8. He wore a blue shirt.
- 9. May God bless you with happiness!
- 10. They are building a house.
- 11. I have finished the job.
- 12. I sent the report yesterday.
- 13. She bought a diamond necklace.
- 14. Somebody had stolen my purse.

Exercises

- ***Complete the sentences (Active or Passive Voice). You must either use Simple Present or Simple Past.***
- The Statue of Liberty (give) to the United States by France.
- It (be) a present on the 100th anniversary of the United States.
- The Statue of Liberty (design) by Frederic Auguste Bartholdi.
- It (complete) in France in July 1884.
- In 350 pieces, the statue then (ship) to New York, where it (arrive) on 17 June 1885.
- The pieces (put) together and the opening ceremony (take) place on 28 October 1886.
- The Statue of Liberty (be) 46 m high (93 m including the base).
- The statue (represent) the goddess of liberty.
- She (hold) a torch in her right hand and a tablet in her left hand.
- On the tablet you (see / can) the date of the Declaration of Independence (July 4, 1776).
- Every year, the Statue of Liberty (visit) by many people from all over the world.