

Grammar . Passive Voice

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Nouns: Concrete and Abstract

Verbs: Action and State of Being

Adjectives: Describe Nouns



Passive Voice

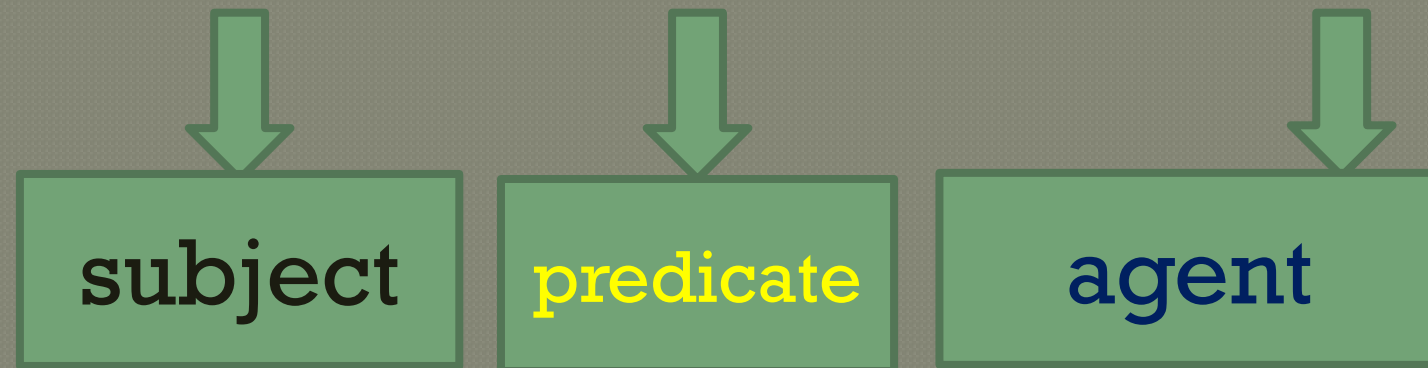
	Active	Passive
Present Simple	He designs costumes. They often drink juice.	Costumes are designed. Juice is often drunk.
Present Continuous	He is designing the costumes. They are drinking juice now.	The costumes are being designed now. The juice is being drunk now.
Past Simple	He designed the costumes. They drank the juice.	The costumes were designed. The juice was drunk.
Present Perfect	He has designed the costumes. They have drunk the juice.	The costumes have been designed. The juice has been drunk.
Future Simple	He will design the costumes. They will drink the juice.	The costumes will be designed. The juice will be drunk.
Modals	He must design the costumes. They can drink the juice.	The costumes must be designed. The juice can be drunk.

Active Voice/Passive Voice

Donna Karan **designed** the costumes.



The costumes **were designed** by Donna Karan.



Rewrite the sentences in the Passive

- Ann bought the children new toys.
- Boris gave me a new CD yesterday.
- Kelly will bring us five tickets for the concert.
- Teacher is correcting our mistakes now.
- Mark often tells friends interesting stories.
- John has just invented a new computer game.

Name Grammar Tense

- **1. The walls are covered with posters.**

- **2. Wood is cut by a saw.**
- **3. A new book will be published by Express Ltd next May.**
- **4. Our dictation has just been checked.**
- **5. The new shirts and jeans must be bought.**
- **6. The film was produced by Martin Scorsese a few years ago.**
- **7. The sitting room is being cleaned now.**

Rewrite the sentences in the Passive

- 1. Nick has offered **me** a new job.

- 2. Calvin Klein designed **very beautiful clothes**.
- 3. Natalie is drawing **a very nice portrait** now.
- 4. Nick invited **us** to his birthday party.
- 5. They will open **the new theatre** next month.
- 6. Steve usually gives **the students** good advice.
- 7. Mary can buy **some new dresses**.

Rewrite the sentences in the Passive

Test

1. **Someone is cleaning the windows.**
2. **People spend a lot of money on food.**
3. **They will open the new sports centre soon.**
4. **Liz showed me some holiday pictures.**
5. **People make jam from fruit.**
6. **Clive hasn't cut the grass yet.**
7. **They may not repair the car this week.**
8. **Who broke this mug?**
9. **Is Sue washing the car?**

Keys:

- 1. The windows **are being cleaned**.
- 2. A lot of money **is spent** on food.
- 3. The new sport centre **will be opened** soon.
- 4. Some holiday pictures **were shown** to me by Liz.
- 5. Jam **is made** from fruit.
- 6. The grass **hasn't been cut** by Clive yet.
- 7. The car **may not be repaired** this week.
- 8. Who **was** this mug **broken by**?
- 9. **Is** the car **being washed by** Sue?