

## Passive Voice

Subject + finite form of *to be* + Past Participle (3rd column of irregular verbs)

### Examples of Passive ●●○○○

Tense		Subject	Verb	Object
<b>Simple Present</b>	<i>Active:</i>	Rita	<b>writes</b>	a letter.
	<i>Passive:</i>	A letter	<b>is written</b>	by Rita.
<b>Simple Past</b>	<i>Active:</i>	Rita	<b>wrote</b>	a letter.
	<i>Passive:</i>	A letter	<b>was written</b>	by Rita.
<b>Present Perfect</b>	<i>Active:</i>	Rita	<b>has written</b>	a letter.
	<i>Passive:</i>	A letter	<b>has been written</b>	by Rita.
<b>Future I</b>	<i>Active:</i>	Rita	<b>will write</b>	a letter.
	<i>Passive:</i>	A letter	<b>will be written</b>	by Rita.
<b>Can</b>	<i>Active:</i>	Rita	<b>can write</b>	a letter.
	<i>Passive:</i>	A letter	<b>can be written</b>	by Rita.

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Tense		Subject	Verb	Object
<b>Present Continuous</b>	<i>Active:</i>	Rita	<b>is writing</b>	a letter.
	<i>Passive:</i>	A letter	<b>is being written</b>	by Rita.
<b>Past Continuous</b>	<i>Active:</i>	Rita	<b>was writing</b>	a letter.
	<i>Passive:</i>	A letter	<b>was being written</b>	by Rita.
<b>Past Perfect</b>	<i>Active:</i>	Rita	<b>had written</b>	a letter.
	<i>Passive:</i>	A letter	<b>had been written</b>	by Rita.
<b>Future II</b>	<i>Active:</i>	Rita	<b>will have written</b>	a letter.
	<i>Passive:</i>	A letter	<b>will have been written</b>	by Rita.
<b>Conditional I</b>	<i>Active:</i>	Rita	<b>would write</b>	a letter.
	<i>Passive:</i>	A letter	<b>would be written</b>	by Rita.
<b>Conditional II</b>	<i>Active:</i>	Rita	<b>would have written</b>	a letter.
	<i>Passive:</i>	A letter	<b>would have been written</b>	by Rita.

## Active Voice to Passive Voice Transformations

Put the following sentences into the passive voice or form.

1. They make shoes in that factory.

Shoes \_\_\_\_\_ in that factory.

2. People must not leave bicycles in the driveway.

Bicycles \_\_\_\_\_ in the driveway.

3. They built that skyscraper in 1934.

That skyscraper \_\_\_\_\_ in 1934.

4. The students will finish the course by July.

The course \_\_\_\_\_ by July.

5. They are repairing the streets this month.

The streets \_\_\_\_\_ this month.

6. They make these tools of plastic.

These tools \_\_\_\_\_ of plastic.

7. They have finished the new product design.

The new product design \_\_\_\_\_.

8. They were cooking dinner when I arrived.

Dinner \_\_\_\_\_ when I arrived.

9. Smithers painted 'Red Sunset' in 1986.

'Red Sunset' \_\_\_\_\_ in 1986 by Smithers.

10. Did the plan interest you?

\_\_\_\_\_ in the plan?

❖ **Have/has/had + been + past participle**

❖ **Will/would/can/could/shall/should/must/have to + be + past participle**