PASSIVE VOICE

YOU WANT TO SHOW THAT OBJECT HAS THE LARGER IMPORTANCE THAN SUBJECT

Passive Voice

We use passive forms when:

- a) we don't know WHO did it;
 The window was broken an hour ago.
- b) we are interested in WHAT happens, not WHO it is done by;

His watch was stolen in the street.

• c) the situation is rather formal. Smoking is not allowed.

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be+V3

Somebody cleans this room every day. (active) subject

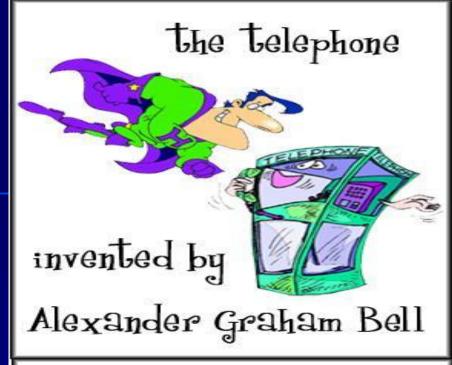
is cleaned every day. (passive)

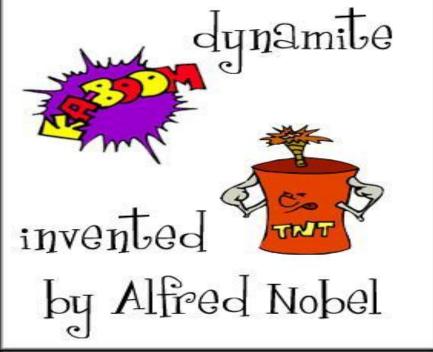
The object of the active verb becomes the subject in the new sentence.

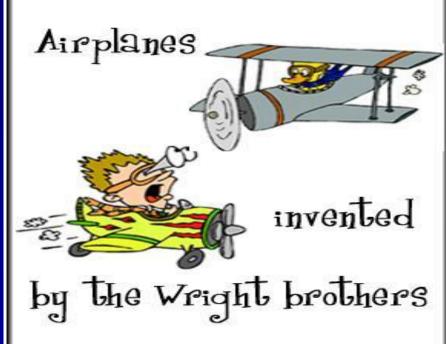


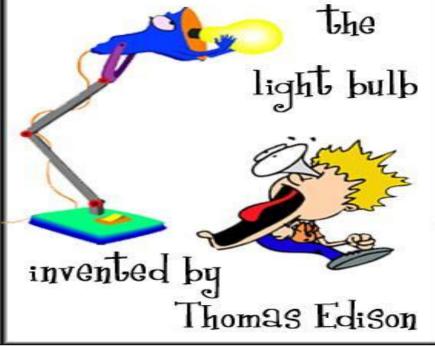
There are 8 forms of the verbs in the Passive voice.

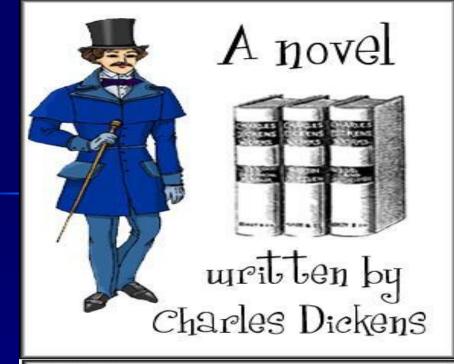
Present Simple	am/is/are + V3	The work is done .
Past Simple	was/were + V3	The work was done.
Future Simple	will be/shall be +V3	The work will be done.
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Present Progressive	is/are being + V3	The work is being done.
Past Progressive	was/were	The work
	being+V3	was being done.
Present Perfect	have been + V3	The work
		has been done.
Past Perfect	had + V3	The work
Future Perfect	will have been +V3	had been done. The work
		will have been done.

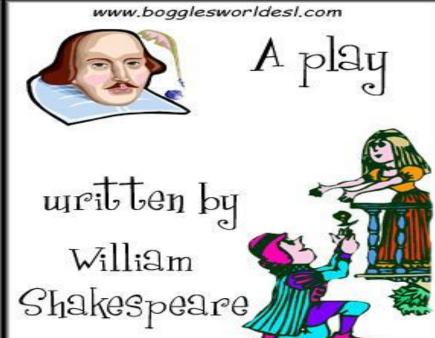
















Rewrite these sentences using Passive voice:

- 1. People *don't use* this road very often.
- 2. Somebody *is using* the comp at the moment.
- 3. They *have built* a new hospital near the airport.
- 4. They *cancelled* all flights because of fog.
- 5. Somebody was cleaning the room when I arrived.
- 6. The car was 3 years old but no one *had used* it very much.
- 7. Somebody will translate this article tomorrow.
- 8. By the end of the week Nick *will have finished* his report.

Remember

If we want to say who does the action, we use by:

This house was built by my grandfather. Two hundred people are employed by the company.

If somebody does the action with the help of instruments, we use with:

Meat should be cut with a knife.

Food in Japan is eaten with chopsticks.



Choose the right preposition:

- 1. Fish is cut ... a special knife.
- 2. What do we usually dig ...?
- 3. These novels are written ... A. J. Cronin.
- 4. The big tree was cut down ... Jim.
- 5. The bridge was built ... five workers.
- 6. Who is the portrait painted ...?
- 7. Women's dresses are sewed ... dressmakers.

Passive voice with the verbs that have two objects

Some verbs can have two objects:

We gave the police, the information,

object 1

object 2

So it is possible to make two passive sentences:

The police were given the information. Or The information was given to the police.

Other verbs which can have two objects are:

ask

offer

pay

refuse

send

show

teach

tell

Express the same in English using passive forms of the verbs

- Мои часы украли вчера.
- 2. Посмотри! Новый кинотеатр построили!
- з. Когда Павел вошел в комнату, обсуждали его проект.
- 4. Все упражнения сделаны. Мы можем идти в кино.
- 5. Когда с ним поговорят?
- 6. Текст нужно будет перевести.
- 7. Когда папа приехал, вещи были упакованы.
- 8. Где статья? Ее переводят. Ее переведут через час.
- 9. Джона Леннона знают не только в Англии.
- 0. Мне разрешили пойти в кино.

Match the two parts of these sentences:

- 1. Marriages are made
- 2. Easily earned money
- 3. The devil is not so black
- 4. Things done
- 5. Better untaught

- a) cannot be undone.
- b) than badly taught.
- c) is quickly spent.
- d) as he is painted.
- e) in heaven.

Find their Russian equivalents:

- а) Браки совершаются на небесах.
 - b) Недоученный хуже неученого.
- с) Не так страшен черт, как его малюют.
 - d) После драки кулаками не машут.
- е) Что легко наживается, легко и проживается.



