

Passive revision

1. Complete the sentences with the verbs in brackets. Use the Simple Passive.
 - a. The new products (introduce) last month.
 - b. Fresh vegetables (not deliver) to the local shop every day.
 - c. Today, advertising (use) by companies to increase their sales.
 - d. I bought that computer after it (advertise) in the local newspaper.
 - e. I (not tempt) to buy the shoes because they were quite ugly.
2. Make passives with these sentences.
 - a. People celebrate singles day with an enormous party.
 - b. Someone painted the walls green. It's a horrible colour!
 - c. It is raining today. You will need an umbrella.
 - d. Spielberg directed Raiders of the Lost Ark. Have you seen it?
 - e. Mme. Curie investigated radium and x-rays and Alexander Flemming discovered penicillin.
 - f. 500 million people watched The 2018 World Cup Final last year.
3. Complete the text with the verbs in brackets. Use the Simple Passive.

The Grand Bazaar in Istanbul is one of the oldest and largest covered markets in the world. It ¹..... (call) the Kapalicarsi in Turkish and it has got 60 streets with 5,000 shops. The bazaar ²..... (visit) by between 250,000 and 400,000 people every day.

Construction of the bazaar ³ (begin) in 1455 and it opened in 1461. Its buildings ⁴ (damage) many times by fires and earthquakes, but each time they ⁵ (build) again.

Many different kinds of goods ⁶ (sell) there today, like jewellery, ceramics, carpets and spices. Many people ⁷ (attract) by the antique shops where you can buy old furniture, watches, clocks and coins. It is easy to get lost in the bazaar, but once you find what you are looking for, you don't have to walk far. The bazaar ⁸ (organise) so that all the shops that sell the same products are in the same area.

4. Write questions with the words below. Use the Present Simple Passive or Past Simple Passive. Then answer the questions according to the information in Exercise 2.

a. What / the Grand Bazaar / call / in Turkish

Q:

A:

b. How many / visitors / expect / at the Grand Bazaar / each day

Q:

A:

c. When / the Grand Bazaar / open

Q:

A:

5. Make passive transformations from these sentences.

a. They make shoes in that factory.

Shoes

b. People must not leave bicycles in the driveway.

Bicycles

c. The guide said they built The Empire State Building in 1934.

..... in 1934.

d. The students will finish the course by July.

The course

e. Last year we produced 2,000 new units at the new factory.

2,000 new units

f. The council is repairing the streets this month.

The streets

g. They make these tools of plastic.

These tools

h. The company reported a profit of \$400,000 this year.

\$400,000 profit

i. They have finished the new product design and are preparing to send it to the factory.

..... The new product design.

j. Someone changed the instructions.

The instructions

k. My friend told me Smithers painted 'Red Sunset' in 1986 but I don't believe him.

'Red Sunset'

I. They finished the preparations before the guests arrived.

The preparations

m. The book says you should take care when working on electrical equipment.

Care

n. They will perform Beethoven's Fifth Symphony next weekend.

Beethoven's Fifth Symphony

o. Someone will have to teach her.

She

p. Toyota manufactured this car in Japan.

..... in Japan.

6. Here are examples of sentences written in both the active voice and the passive voice, with the active voice sentence appearing first: Write the correct active or passive sentences.

a. Harry ate six shrimp at dinner. (active)

At dinner, six shrimp were eaten by Harry. (passive)

b. Beautiful giraffes roam the savannah. (active)

The savannah is roamed by beautiful giraffes. (passive)

c. Sue changed the flat tire. (active)

..... (passive)

d. We are going to watch a movie tonight. (active)

..... (passive)

e. I ran the obstacle course in record time. (active)

..... (passive)

f. (active)

The entire stretch of highway was paved by the crew. (passive)

g. (active)

The novel was read by Mom in one day. (passive)

h. The critic wrote a scathing review. (active)

..... (passive)

i. I would clean the house every Saturday if I weren't so lazy. (active)

..... (passive)

j. (active)

A safety video will be watched by the staff every year. (passive)

k. (active)
The application for a new job was faxed by her. (passive)

l. (active)
The entire house was painted by Tom. (passive)

m. Larry generously donated money to the homeless shelter. (active)
..... (passive)

n. Susan will bake two dozen cupcakes for the bake sale. (active)
..... (passive)

o. Who ate the last cookie? (active)
.....? (passive)

p. Alex has posted the video on Facebook. (active)
..... (passive)

q. (active)
Instructions will be given to you by the director. (passive)

Causative

Causative verbs express the idea of somebody causing something to happen or causing another person to do something.

make somebody do something (make + object + infinitive without to):
somebody requires another person to do something

- a. The barking dog made the postman run away.
- b. The rain has made the tourists stay in the hotel this morning.
- c. I don't think she can make her husband buy that expensive ring.
- d. I always cry when I see sad movies.

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have something done (have + object + 3rd form of the verb):

somebody wants something to be done for them

- a. Did you have the car washed yesterday?
- b. I have my hair cut once in 2-3 months.
- c. We've had the lawn mowed by the neighbour's son.
- d. Jane will clean the curtains at the dry cleaner's tomorrow.

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Note: **get** is often used instead of **have** in informal speech:

- a. Did you get your hair cut before the weekend?
- b. We must get the house decorated for the wedding.
- c. I must cut my hair for the party as soon as possible.

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get somebody to do something (get + object + infinitive with to):

somebody requires or inspires another person to do something

- a. Let's get mother to bake a cake on Sunday.
- b. I couldn't get my sister to wash my dirty overalls.
- c. The tap is leaking, get a plumber to fix it.
- d. She always gets me to help with her homework.