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THE PASSIVE VOICE



Active Voice:

When a verb form shows that the subject has done something. The sentence begins with the subject:

$\frac{\textbf{Paul}}{\textbf{Sub.}} \, \frac{\textbf{wrote}}{\textbf{V}} \, \frac{\textbf{a letter.}}{\textbf{Obj}}.$

Passive Voice:

When a verb form shows that something has been done to the subject- the sentence begins with the object:

A letter was written by Paul.

Passive Voice = Be (correct tense+form) + PP

Active Tense	Passive Form
Simple Present Present Continuous Present Perfect Simple Past. Past Continuous Past Perfect Future 1 Future 2 Modals	am / is / are + past participle am / is / are + being + p.p have / has + been + p.p was / were + p.p was / were + being + p.p had + been + p.p will +be + p.p is / are going to be + p.p can / could / must / would / shall / should + be + p.p

Examples

1- Tom catches a fish. *A fish is caught by Tom.

2- Ted is repairing the car. *The car is being repaired by Ted.

3- Mona has posted the letter. *The letter has been posted by Mona.

4- Jack bought a new car. *A new car was bought by Jack.

5- Mary was cooking a nice meal. *A nice meal was being cooked by Mary.

6- Mike had paid all the bills. *All the bills had been paid by Mike.

7- The doctor will cure the patients. *The patients will be cured by the doctor.

8- You must achieve this job today. *This job must be achieved today.