
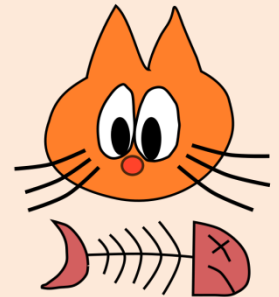


The Passive Voice


The **active voice** is the "normal" voice. This is the voice that we use most of the time. In the active voice, the object receives the action of the verb:

	subject	verb	object
active			
	Cats	eat	fish.



The **passive voice** is less common. In the passive voice, the **subject** receives the action of the verb:



	subject	verb	object
passive			
	Fish	are eaten	by cats.

The **object** of the active verb becomes the **subject** of the passive verb:

	subject	verb	object
active	Everybody	drinks	water.
passive	Water	is drunk	by everybody.

The structure of the passive voice

subject + auxiliary verb (be) + main verb (past participle)

The main verb is **always** in its past participle form.

subject	auxiliary verb (to be)		main verb (past participle)	
Water	is		drunk	by everyone.
The airport	was		opened	by the president.
The cars	were		driven	by young boys.
Cars	are	not	sold	at Lulu Supermarket.

Question

Were	you		taught	by Mr. Smith?
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The Passive Voice

ال مجهول الم بني

متى نستخدم المبني للمجهول؟

نستخدم المبني للمجهول عندما يكون الفاعل غير مهم في الجملة . مثلا:

فُتِح الباب

The door was opened.

القهوة تُزرع في البرازيل

Coffee is grown in Brasil.

في الجملة الأولى " فُتِح الباب " لا يهمننا من الذي فتح الباب بقدر ما يهمننا عملية فتح الباب. كذلك في الجملة الثانية لا يهمننا من الذي يزرع القهوة بقدر ما يهمننا عملية زرع القهوة.

Exercises

- 1) Her invention is used by people all over the world.

What is the passive verb?

Who uses her invention?

- 2) Zebras are very important in the food web of the African grassland. Zebras eat grass and other vegetation, but then they are eaten by lions.



What is the passive verb?

What eats the zebras?

- 3) Students in this class are very intelligent. They study hard for their exams and do very well. However sometimes, when they are lazy, they are given extra homework by their teacher!

What is the passive verb?

Who gives extra homework?



- 4) People in the UAE often drive expensive sports cars. Some of these cars can reach speeds of 200km/hr or more. Unfortunately, every year people are killed on the roads by drivers who go too fast.

What is the passive verb?

Who kills on the roads?

Read the sentence. Decide whether it is active or passive.

The UAE

Active Passive

- 1 The UAE was established in 1971.
- 2 The rulers of the seven emirates control the Supreme Council.
- 3 The President is elected by the Supreme Council.
- 4 Billions of dollars are made from oil every year in the UAE.
- 5 The oil wealth is distributed to the people of the UAE.
- 6 Oil is not the only important industry.
- 7 Tourism and industry are also growing rapidly.
- 8 According to the government, by 2030 oil production in UAE will be significantly reduced.

Choose the correct verb tense to complete the passive.

1. Spanish is _____ in Mexico and Argentina.
2. Millions of bananas are _____ in Costa Rica every year.
3. Every day, 70 000 bags _____ by airlines around the world!
4. This house _____ by my grandfather.
5. My wallet _____ at the bus station last week.
6. The opening ceremony of the 2012 Olympics _____ by 27 million people around the world.
7. Next year, the career fair _____ by the university.



The Dubai Mall

Dubai Mall is one of the most popular places for tourists in the UAE. It
 (be) the world's largest shopping mall, based on area. Dubai
 Mall was (open) on the 4th November 2008. Every week,
 the Mall (visit) by more than 750,000 shoppers.
 Now, over 1,200 shops (locate) in the Mall. These
 include Debenhams, Bloomingdales, and the world's biggest candy store,
 Candylicious.

In 2010 the Dubai Mall (name) the 'best
 shopping experience' by Grazia Style
 Awards. However, it has not been
 free of problems. In 2010, the Mall
 (close) for
 a short time by the managers
 because a small leak was found in
 the Aquarium. In 2011, the
 number of visitors (decrease) because of world
 economic problems. Nowadays, the mall is popular as ever because you
 can (buy) almost anything you want at the Dubai Mall!



The Piano

The modern piano was (develop) from the harpsichord around 1720, Bartolomeo Cristofori of Padua, Italy. His new instrument (have) a delicate pianissimo (very soft sound), a strong fortissimo (a very loud, forceful sound), and every level in between. The first upright piano (make) around 1780 Johann Schmidt of Salzburg, Austria. In 1820, Thomas Loud of London (create) an upright piano whose strings ran diagonally saving even more space.



Who invented the modern piano?

Where did he develop it?

What did Johann Schmidt make?

Mayonnaise



Directions: Read the paragraphs, fill in the blanks with the correct verb tense (passive/past participle or simple past) or grammar word (ago or by) and then answer the questions.

Mayonnaise was _____ (invent) in France hundreds of years ago. Probably, it _____ first _____ (make) in 1756 _____ the French chef working for the Duke de Richelieu. The first ready-made mayonnaise _____ (sell) in the US in 1905 at Richard Hellman's deli in New York. Hellman _____ (sell) his wife's mayonnaise in open wooden boxes. In 1912, the mayonnaise _____ (put) in large glass bottles by the company. The one they called "Hellman's Blue Ribbon Mayonnaise" _____ (become) very popular. Nowadays, many kinds of mayonnaise can _____ (buy) in any supermarket.

Where does mayonnaise come from?

Who first sold mayonnaise?

When was mayonnaise sold in glass jars?

The Airplane

The first working airplane (invent) by the Wright brothers, Wilbur Wright and Orville Wright. Their "Wright Flyer" (be) a fabric-covered biplane with a wooden frame. The power to the two propellers (supply) by a 12-horsepower water-cooled engine.



The first flight (occur) at Kitty Hawk, North Carolina, USA. On December 17, 1903, the airplane (fly) by Wilbur Wright. He (fly) for 12 seconds over for a distance of 37m.

Who invented the first working airplane?

Who flew the first working airplane?

What supplied power to the two propellers?

Where did the first flight happen?

Wright brothers first flight, 1903: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T5o-fhBKf8Y>

Scissors



*Directions: Fill in the blanks with **by**, **since** or **for**:*

Scissors have been used _____ thousands of years. That is, they've been around _____ 1500 B.C. Early scissors have been found in ancient Egyptian ruins. These early scissors were made from one piece of metal (unlike modern scissors, which are made from two cross-blades).

Modern scissors were invented _____ ancient Romans in about 100 A.D.

Early scissors were used _____ clothes makers and barbers. Scissors were not used _____ Europeans until the 1500's. However, _____ the 16th century, they have been very popular.

Where did the first scissors come from?

Where do cross-bladed scissors come from?

Which jobs required early scissors?

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