

Present simple

I make a cake

A cake is made

Present continuous

I am making a cake

A cake is being made

Past simple

I made a cake

A cake was made

Past continuous

I was making a cake

A cake was being made

present perfect

I have made a cake

A cake has been made

Past perfect

I had made a cake

A cake had been made

future simple

I will make a cake

A cake will be made

Modal

I would make a cake if there was time

A cake would be made if there was time

by agent in Passive

Examples for the *by-agent*

We are normally not interested in the ›doer‹ of an action in a passive sentence. When we want to mention the ›doer‹, we use the preposition **by**. The whole phrase is called **by-agent** in English.

Active sentence	Passive sentence
Mr Brown built the house.	The house was built by Mr Brown .

When we do not know, **who** was the ›doer‹ of the action, we use *someone* or *somebody* in the active sentence. We leave out these words in the passive sentence.

Active sentence	Passive sentence
Someone stole my bike.	My bike was stolen .

742 languages are spoken	70% of the Earth is covered	Toothpaste was invented	The first underground railway was opened	14% of the Earth's surface is covered	The Ferrari was designed	The pencil was invented	Each day over 10 million barrels of oil are produced	The Tokyo subway is used	The first modern Olympic Games were held
Pasta and ice cream were first made	The rubber tyre was invented	Mirrors were invented	Paper was invented	Almost a quarter of the land area of Los Angeles is taken up	Chinese food is eaten by	More gold is mined in China than	The Whoopee cushion was invented	The first computer was made	

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| <input type="text"/> | by the Romans in 960. | <input type="text"/> | in Indonesia. |
| <input type="text"/> | in China nearly 2000 years ago. | <input type="text"/> | by nine million people every day. |
| <input type="text"/> | in Saudi Arabia. | <input type="text"/> | in London in 1863. |
| <input type="text"/> | in South Africa. | <input type="text"/> | by automobiles. |
| <input type="text"/> | by a 14-year old Roman Emperor. | <input type="text"/> | in China. |
| <input type="text"/> | by Conrad Gessner in Switzerland. | <input type="text"/> | by Sergio Pininfarina. |
| <input type="text"/> | by water. | <input type="text"/> | by John Dunlop in 1888. |
| <input type="text"/> | in the early 19th century. | <input type="text"/> | by the Egyptians. |
| <input type="text"/> | two billion people every day. | <input type="text"/> | by rain forest. |
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active voice and passive voice

Liz calls the teacher

A active voice B passive voice

love changes people

A active voice B passive voice

the boss shouts at his employees

A active voice B passive voice

Carla is embraced by her mother

A active voice B passive voice

the cat scratched my aunt

A active voice B passive voice

maría is supported by her family

A active voice B passive voice

New students.....
in this school.

A can
accepted

B can be
accepted

C be accept

The exercises
.....by the students.

A
be completed

B
must
completed

C
must be
completed

Luxury clothing

..... by celebrities

A

can worn

B

be worn

C

can be worn

New students.....
in this school.

A

are
accept

B

are
accepted

C

were
accept

The president

.....

by everybody.

A is selected

B are selected

C was selected

ACTIVE



COOK



A man cooks dinner.
A man cooked dinner.



DO



Students do homework.
Students did homework.



CARRY



BUILD



CUT



TEACH



PASSIVE



COOK



Dinner is cooked by a man.
Dinner was cooked by a man.



DO



Homework is done by students.
Homework was done by students.



CARRY



BUILD



CUT



TEACH

