

THE PASSIVE

1. Make passive sentences – all tenses!

- a. The words _____ by the teacher today. (explain)
- b. _____ my letter _____ the day before yesterday? (send)
- c. This car _____. It's too old. (not steal)
- d. This street _____ already _____ because of snow. (close)
- e. _____ a new restaurant _____ next week? (open)
- f. He _____ to the party yesterday. (invite)
- g. I _____ the book by my friend last Sunday. (give)
- h. The dishes _____ by my little brother yet. (wash)
- i. Those books _____ (use) by our intermediate students.
- j. The exams _____ (correct) in the teacher's room two days ago.
- k. _____ that car _____ (drive) by a professional driver?
- l. I _____ (give) a wonderful present for my birthday every year.
- m. We _____ (send) a strange email yesterday.
- n. _____ Alice _____ (give) a scholarship next year?
- o. Those delicious chocolate muffins _____ (not cook) by my grandmother last night.
- p. They _____ (tell) to stay in their houses during the heavy storm last Friday.
- q. The window _____ just _____ (break) by a couple of boys who were playing football.
- r. The exam result _____ already _____ (announce) by the head teacher.
- s. Every student _____ (give) a password and a user name tomorrow.
- t. Patrick and Lucy _____ to the party (invite) yesterday.
- u. The vegetables _____ (wash) before eating.
- v. Not all the books in that list _____ (read) by our students yet.
- w. The sportive activities _____ (organise) by the P.E teacher.
- x. Anne _____ (offer) a new job in New York three days ago.
- y. That journalist _____ (hire) by an important newspaper.
- z. Paul Auster's new book _____ (not release) next week.

2. Fill the gaps with the correct tenses (active or passive voice):

- a. In the year 122 AD, the Roman Emperor Hadrian _____ (visit) his provinces in Britain.
- b. On his visit, the Roman soldiers _____ (tell) him that Pictish tribes from Britain's north _____ (attack) them.
- c. So Hadrian _____ (give) the order to build a protective wall across one of the narrowest parts of the country.
- d. After 6 years of hard work, the Wall _____ (finish) in 128.
- e. It _____ (be) 117 kilometres long and about 4 metres high.
- f. The Wall _____ (guard) by 15,000 Roman soldiers.

- g. Every 8 kilometres there _____ (be) a large fort in which up to 1,000 soldiers _____ (find) shelter.
- h. The soldiers _____ (watch) over the frontier to the north and _____ (check) the people who _____ (want) to enter or leave Roman Britain.
- i. In order to pass through the Wall, people _____ (must go) to one of the small forts that _____ (serve) as gateways.
- j. Those forts _____ (call) milecastles because the distance from one fort to another _____ (be) one Roman mile (about 1,500 metres).
- k. Between the milecastles there _____ (be) two turrets from which the soldiers _____ (guard) the Wall.
- l. If the Wall _____ (attack) by enemies, the soldiers at the turrets _____ (run) to the nearest milecastle for help or _____ (light) a fire that _____ (can / see) by the soldiers in the milecastle.
- m. In 383 Hadrian's Wall _____ (abandon) .
- n. Today Hadrian's Wall _____ (be) the most popular tourist attraction in northern England.
- o. In 1987, it _____ (become) a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

3. Complete the sentences (Active or Passive Voice). Use Simple Present or Simple Past.

- a. The Statue of Liberty _____ (give) to the United States by France.
- b. It _____ (be) a present on the 100th anniversary of the United States.
- c. The Statue of Liberty _____ (design) by Frederic Auguste Bartholdi.
- d. It _____ (complete) in France in July 1884.
- e. In 350 pieces, the statue then _____ (ship) to New York, where it _____ (arrive) on 17 June 1885.
- f. The pieces _____ (put) together and the opening ceremony _____ (take) place on 28 October 1886.
- g. The Statue of Liberty _____ (be) 46 m high (93 m including the base).
- h. The statue _____ (represent) the goddess of liberty.
- i. She _____ (hold) a torch in her right hand and a tablet in her left hand.
- j. On the tablet you _____ (see / can) the date of the Declaration of Independence (July 4, 1776).
- k. Every year, the Statue of Liberty _____ (visit) by many people from all over the world.

4. Make the sentences passive.

- a. Henry hasn't dug a hole yet. _____
- b. In the past people used trains. _____
- c. The builders will build the bridge by 2014. _____
- d. People give a lot of presents at Christmas. _____