

Active-Passive Voice

I. Identify the tense and voice in each sentence.

- 1) Recently, Martha **has done** the housework.
- 2) The film **will be finished** by 6:00 PM.
- 3) The Louvre **is visited** by many tourists every year.
- 4) At 9:00 PM tonight, I **will be watching** TV.
- 5) Right now, Carla **is baking** a birthday cake.
- 6) Recently, the cooking **has been done** by Patrick.
- 7) I thought Sally **was going to** organise the meeting.
- 8) I knew the table **had been booked** in advance.

II. Rewrite these active sentences in opposite voice.

- 1) I drew a circle.
- 2) Peter taught me how to play cards.
- 3) Maria has never studied Chinese.
- 4) I will call you tonight.
- 5) Carlos is telling Jake a joke.

III. Rewrite these passive sentences in opposite voice.

- 1) I was told not to walk on the grass by the lady
- 2) In 2040, humans will be helped by robots.
- 3) Nothing to prevent the catastrophe was done by the government.
- 5) The meat had already been cut by the butcher.

IV. Which of the following sentences contain a causative clause?

- 1) I got a new book last week end.
- 2) My new jack was delivered through the mail.
- 3) I had my suit dry cleaned last week.
- 4) I have an appointment at 5 PM.
- 5) I am getting my dog groomed on Monday.
- 6) The boss had a bouquet of flowers delivered to the clients.

Active-Passive Voice Answer Sheet

I. Identify the tense and voice in each sentence.

- 1) Recently, Martha **has done** the housework. Present perfect active voice
- 2) The film **will be finished** by 6:00 PM. Future simple passive voice
- 3) The Louvre **is visited** by many tourists every year. Present simple active voice
- 4) At 9:00 PM tonight, I **will be watching** TV. Future continuous active voice
- 5) Right now, Carla **is baking** a birthday cake. Present continuous active voice
- 6) Recently, the cooking **has been done** by Patrick. Present perfect passive voice
- 7) I thought Sally **was going to** organise the meeting. Past simple active voice
- 8) I knew the table **had been booked** in advance. Past perfect passive voice

II. Rewrite these active sentences in opposite voice.

- 1) I drew a circle. Circles were drawn (by me).
- 2) Peter taught me how to play cards. I was taught how to play cards (by Peter).
- 3) Maria has never studied Chinese. Chinese has never been studied (by Maria).
- 4) I will call you tonight. You will be called (by me) tonight.
- 5) Carlos is telling Jake a joke. Jake is being told a joke (by Carlos).

III. Rewrite these passive sentences in opposite voice.

- 1) I was told not to walk on the grass by the lady. The lady told me not to walk on the grass.
- 2) In 2040, humans will be helped by robots. In 2040, robots will help humans.
- 3) Nothing to prevent the catastrophe was done by the government. The government did nothing to prevent the catastrophe.
- 5) The meat had already been cut by the butcher. The butcher had already cut the meat.

IV. Which of the following sentences contain a causative clause?

Only the following contain a causative clause:

- 3) I had my suit dry cleaned last week.
- 5) I am getting my dog groomed on Monday.
- 6) The boss had a bouquet of flowers delivered to the clients.