


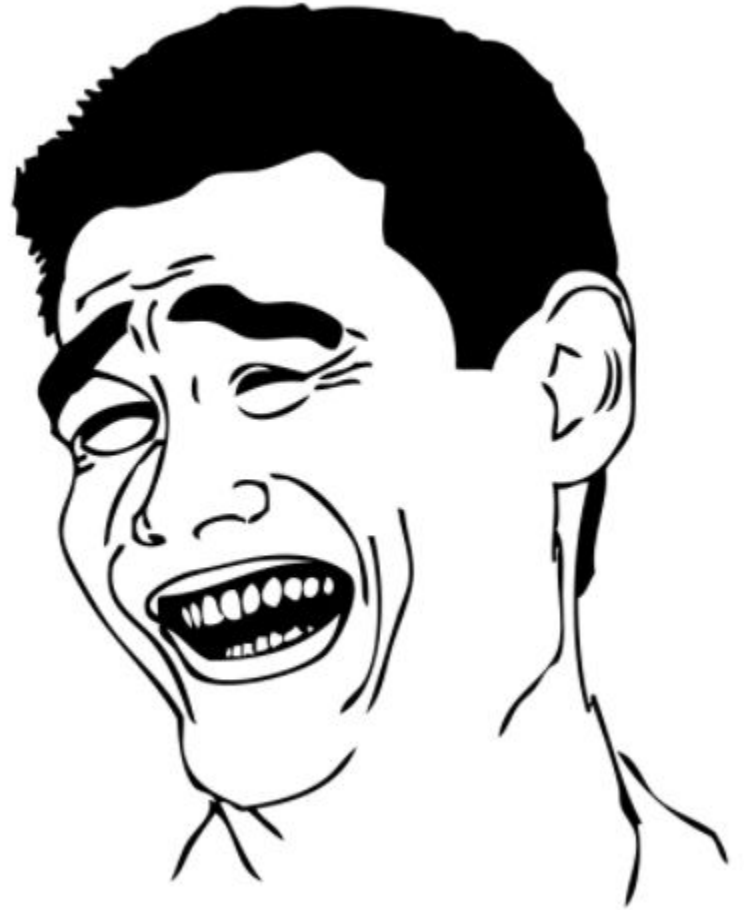
A woman in a red and white royal gown with a crown and white gloves stands in a dusty room. The room has a stone fireplace, a patterned curtain, and various household items. A speech bubble points to the room.

Look at all the dust in here! It looks as if this room hasn't been cleaned for a month!

A man with a turban and a bundle of sticks on his back, looking grumpy. A speech bubble points to him.

Well, don't blame me! I was only hired a week ago.

Let's learn
the Passive!



The Passive is used:



1. When the agent (=the person who does the action) is **unknown**, unimportant or obvious from the context.



This church was built in 1995.
(unimportant agent)



He has been arrested.
(obviously be the police)



Jane was called.
(we don't know who called)

The Passive is used:



The car hasn't been cleaned. (more polite)

2. To make more **polite** or **formal** statements.



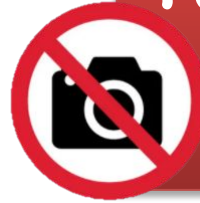
You haven't cleaned the car. (less polite)

The Passive is used:



30 people were killed
in the earthquake.

3. When the **action is more important** than the agent, as in processes, instructions, events, reports, headlines, news items, and advertisements.



Taking pictures is not allowed.
(written notice)



Bread is baked in an oven for 45 minutes.
(process)

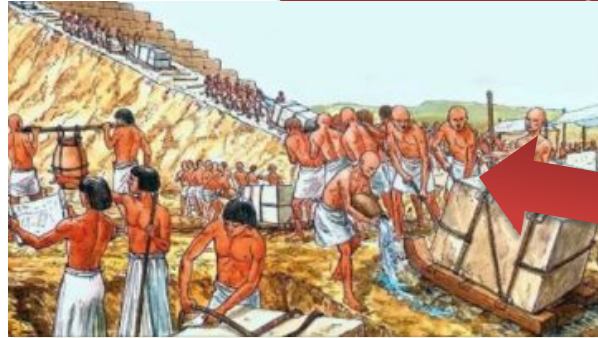
The Passive is used:



The new library will be opened by the Queen.

The Pyramids were built by the ancient Egyptians.

4. To put **emphasis on the agent**.



Past
Simple

I drank tea.

Tea was drunk.

Present
Simple

I drink tea.

Tea is drunk.

Future
Simple

I will drink tea.

Tea will be drunk.

Simple

to be + V₃

Past
Continuous

I was drinking tea.

Tea was being
drunk.

Present
Continuous

I am drinking tea.

Tea is being
drunk.

Future
Continuous

I will be drinking tea.



Continuous

to be + being + V₃

Past
Perfect

I had drunk tea.

Tea had been
drunk.

Present
Perfect

I have drunk tea.

Tea has been
drunk.

Future
Perfect

I will have drunk tea.

Tea will have
been drunk.

Perfect

to have + been + V₃

Can

That painting can be seen in the Louvre.

Should

The work should be done on time.

Would

The tickets would be sold there if possible.

Might

It might be finished by next week.

Must

Employees must be paid on the last day of the month.

Modals

modal + be + V₃

**Infinitive /
Present
Infinitive**

He has to deliver the letters.

They will have to repair the car.

The letters have to be delivered.

The car will have to be repaired.

**Perfect
Infinitive**

They ought to have repaired the car.

The car ought to have been repaired.

Gerund

He likes people admiring his new car.

He likes people serving his dinner.

He likes his new car being admired.

He likes his dinner being served.

**Perfect
Gerund**

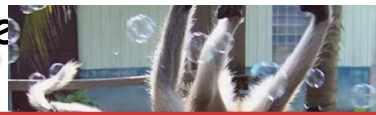
Having repaired the car, ...

Having served dinner, ...

The car, having been repaired, ...

Dinner, having been served, ...

Complete the sentences, use Present Simple Passive



There is a chimpanzee which ... is called

say/said/said

• Say

"Bub

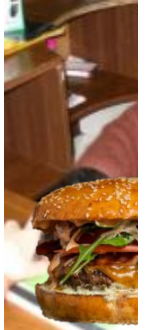
Present Simple Passive

Call

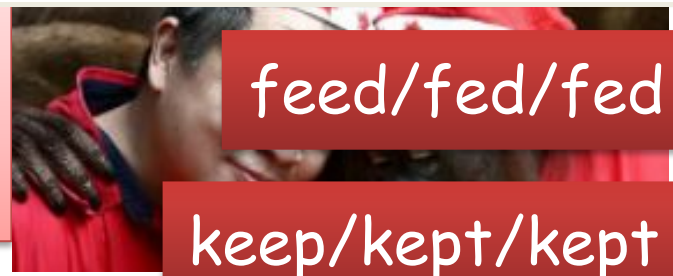
am/is/are+ V₃

Dress

Own



It is always dressed in funny clothes. It is said that "Bubbles" is Michael Johnson's only friend.



feed/fed/fed

• Feed

keep/kept/kept

• Keep

Hotel

INFORMATION

BREAKFAST -

In Pierrot's Restaurant 7-9.30 a

DINNER -

In Main Restaurant 8-10 pm

NEWSPAPERS - TELEPHONE

At the Reception Desk

ROOMS -

Maid Service daily

HOT WATER -

24 hours a day

HOTEL CINEMA -

Film every night at 10 pm

Breakfast is served in Pierrot's Restaurant between 7 and 9.30 am.

Simple

to be + V₃

Modals

modal + be + V₃

Films are shown in the hotel cinema every night at 10 pm.

Look at the Hotel Information table and write sentences as in the example.



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lay.

Put the verbs in brackets into Past Simple Passive.

Two men were seen (see) see/saw/seen creeping into a house in my street last night. The police were called

(call) called

were caught

escaped, but

Both men

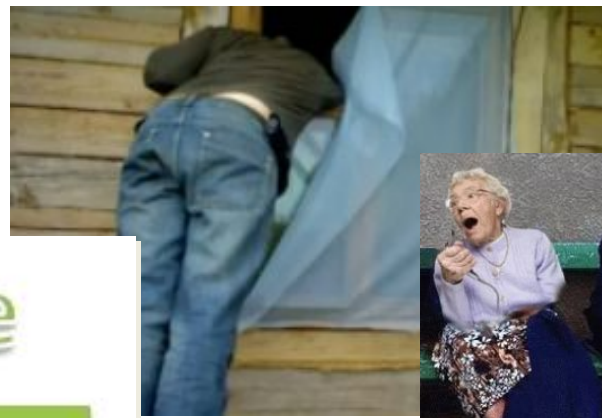
station where they were questioned (question) questioned

separately by a police officer. The two men

were charged (charge) charged with burglary.

Past Simple Passive

was/were + V₃



Police is always **plural**.
(Police are/were/have and etc.)

Rewrite the newspaper headlines as complete sentences.

**FOOTBALLER OFFERED
MILLION FOR TRANSFER**

Perfect

to have + been + V₃

The footballer has been offered a million pounds for the transfer.



Present Perfect Passive

Rewrite the newspaper headlines as complete sentences.

**NO CHILDREN ADMITTED
INTO SPORTS CLUB**



Simple

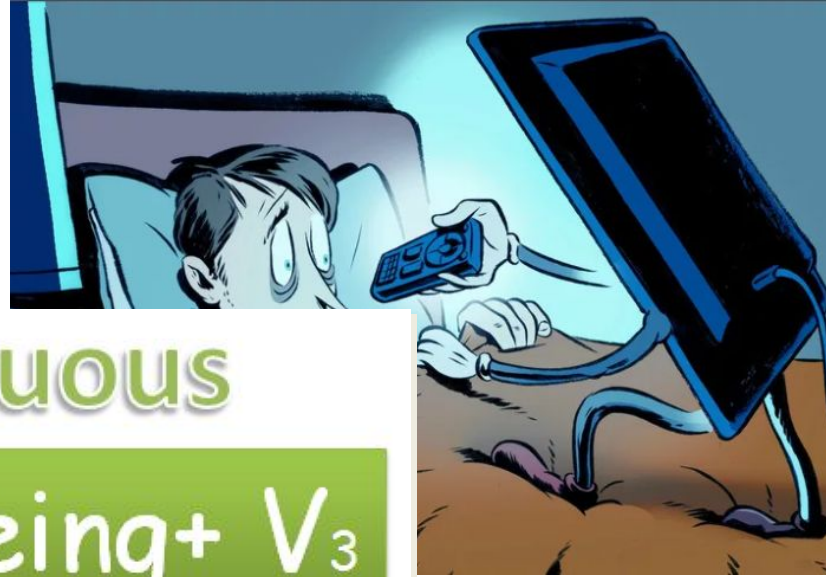
to be + V₃

Children are not admitted
into the Sports Club.

Present Simple Passive

Rewrite the newspaper headlines as complete sentences.

**CHILDREN BEING
BRAINWASHED BY TV**



Continuous

to be + being+ V₃

**Children are being
brainwashed by TV.**

Present Continuous Passive

Rewrite the newspaper headlines as complete sentences.

**PLANET BEING DESTROYED
BY POLLUTION**

Continuous

to be + being+ V₃

**Our planet is being
destroyed by pollution.**

Present Continuous Passive



Rewrite the newspaper headlines as complete sentences.

**BOMB DISCOVERED IN OLD
LADY'S GARDEN**



Perfect

to have + been + V₃

A bomb has been
discovered in an old lady's
garden.

Present Perfect Passive

Rewrite the newspaper headlines as complete sentences.

**NO CAMERAS ALLOWED IN
MUSEUM**



Simple

to be + V₃

No cameras are allowed in
the museum.

Present Simple Passive

Rewrite the newspaper headlines as complete sentences.

**ANIMALS BEING USED TO
TEST BEAUTY PRODUCTS**

Continuous

to be + being + V₃

**Animals are being used to
test beauty products.**

Present Continuous Passive



Rewrite the newspaper headlines as complete sentences.

**PICASSO PAINTINGS
EXHIBITED NATIONAL
GALLERY NEXT MONDAY**



Simple

to be + V₃

Picasso paintings will be
exhibited at the National
Gallery next Monday.

Future Simple Passive

Rewrite the newspaper headlines as complete sentences.

**MICHAEL JACKSON ASKED
TO SPONSOR CHARITY
EVENT YESTERDAY**

Simple

to be + V₃

Michael Jackson was asked
yesterday to sponsor a
charity event.

Past Simple Passive



Fill in the correct passive form.



M
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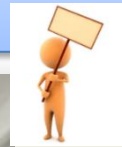
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Continuous to be + being+ V₃

Perfect to have + been+ V₃

Modals modal + be + V₃

Write
the work.



Past Perfect Passive

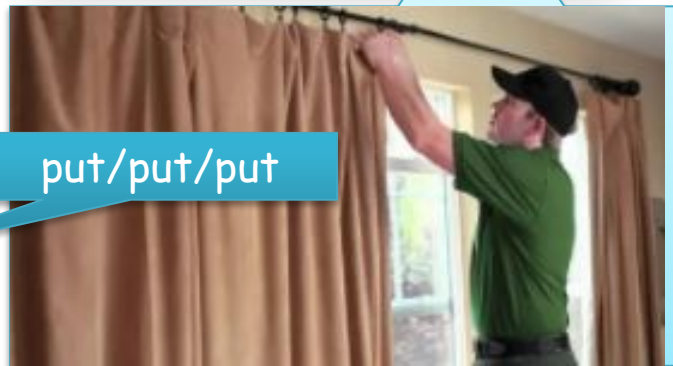
1. The windows had been cleaned (clean)



Past Continuous Passive

2. New curtains were being put up (put up)

put/put/put



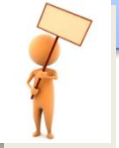
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Write
the work.



Past Perfect Passive

3. The walls had been painted (paint)



Past Continuous Passive

4. Light fittings were still being installed (I/install)



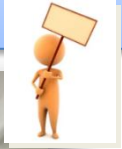
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Modals	modal + be + V ₃

Write
the work.



Past Continuous Passive

5. Some furniture was being delivered (deliver)



Past Perfect Passive

6. New carpets ... had been bought ... (buy)

buy/bought/bought



1. The windows ..*had been cleaned* (clean)
2. New curtains (put up)
3. The walls (paint)
4. Light fittings (still/install)
5. Some furniture (deliver)
6. New carpets (buy)

2. ... were being put up.
3. ... had been painted.
4. ... were still being installed.
5. ... was being delivered. (**furniture** is always singular)
6. ... had been bought.

Fill in the correct passive form.



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Continuous

to be + being + V₃

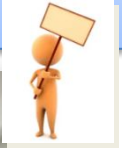
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the work.



Past Perfect Passive



Past Continuous Passive

were being put up _____

