



**Present Simple - Passive**

The passive is used when the object of a sentence is more important than the subject.

Compare:

*The Queen rules Great Britain* **(Active)**

*Great Britain is ruled by The Queen* **(Passive)**

To form the passive we use 'To Be' + past participle

Make passive sentences from the following information:

1. Fiat cars \ Italy \ make – Fiat cars are made in Italy.

2. Spaghetti \ boiling water \ cook - Spaghetti are cooked in boiling water.

3. Children \ schools \ educate - Children are educated in schools.

4. Football \ every country \ play – Football is played in every country.

5. Race horses \ jockeys \ ride – Race horses are ridden by jockeys.

6. Switzerland \ speak \ German- German is spoken in Switzerland.

**Past Simple - Passive**

*James Cameron directed Titanic* **(Active)**

*Titanic was directed by James Cameron* **(Passive)**

Make passive sentences from the following information:

1. 1937 \ ballpoint pen \ invent-

2. hospital \ open \ The Queen \ last week – Hospital was opened by the Queen last week.

3. car \ steal \ last night – Car was stolen last night.

4. what time \ he \ attack? – What time was he attacked?

5. we \ meet \ at the airport \ tour guide- We were met at the airport by a tour guide.

**Simple Future Passive**

Something done by someone in the future. ( will be + past participle)  
  
Active : We will take the horses to the stable.  
Passive: The horses will be taken to the stable.  
  
Active : Will the manager sign the contract tomorrow?  
Passive: Will the contract be signed by the manager tomorrow?

1. Will he pick up the kids tomorrow?

Passive: Will the kids be picked up tomorrow?

1. The birds will eat those cookies.

Passive: Those cookies will be eaten by birds.

1. The coach will throw a party on the weekend.

Passive: A party will be thrown on the weekend by the coach.

4. The next earthquake will destroy the city.  
 Passive: The city will be destroyed by the next earthquake.