**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. Ride/rode/ridden

6. Switzerland \ speak \ German – German is spoken in Switzeraland.

# 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- Ballpoint pen was invented in 1937.

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

3. car \ steal \ last night – The 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 our tourist 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?
2. The birds will eat those cookies.

Passive: Those cookies will be eaten by the birds.

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

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

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

**Complete the sentences using the correct form of the passive voice in the correct tense!**

1. The war next week **(DECLARE)**.
2. Your homework by tomorrow afternoon. **(MUST FINISH)**
3. That house since I was a child. **(NOT PAINT)**

Active> Children have eaten all the burgers.

Passive/ All the burgers have been eaten by children.

1. Smoking in this hotel **(NOT ALLOW)**
2. After all the flights the tourists checked in at the airport hotel.**(CANCEL)**
3. The car for over a week **(NOT WASH)**.
4. He a new contract last year **(GIVE)**
5. This song by the Beatles in 1967. **(WRITE)**
6. The earth if we try hard enough to do something **(CAN SAVE)**
7. The new bridge at the moment. **(BUILD)**

Active> They are paving the bridge now.

Passive/ The bridge is being paved now.