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#### **Passive voice**





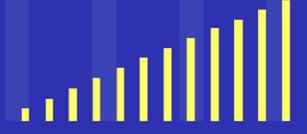


#### **Introvert**

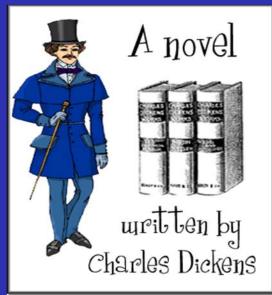
A sentence can be expressed in the active voice or the passive voice.

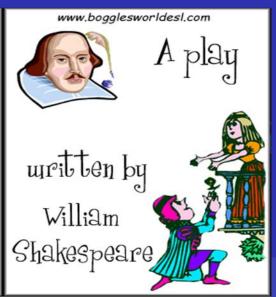


- South Africa held World Cup 2010.
- World Cup 2010 was held in South Africa.

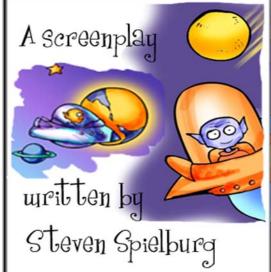


- When A does something to B, there are often two ways to talk about it: "active" and "passive".
- We use active verbs if we want A to be the subject.
- We use passive verbs if we want B to be the subject.









If we would like to talk about Charles Dickens and his work we use active verb.

S.

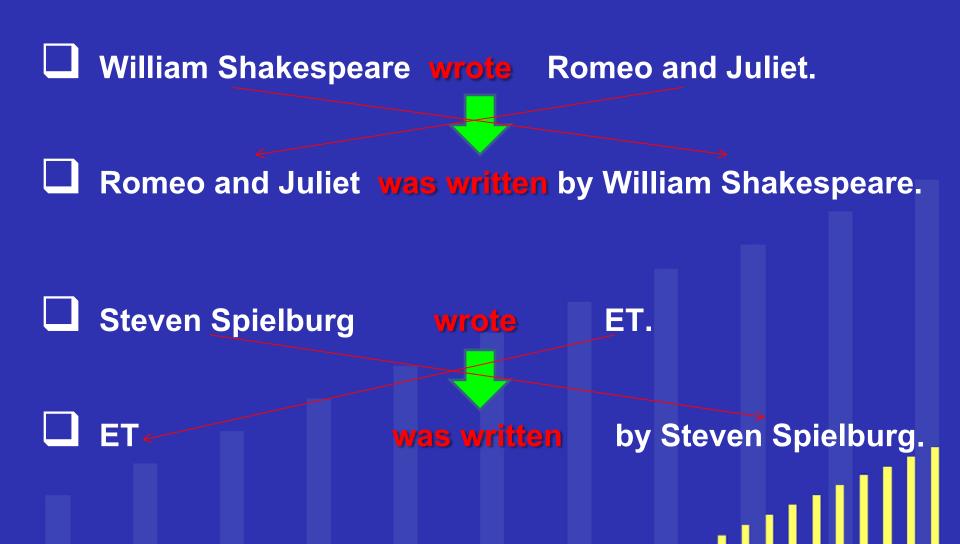
**Charles Dickens** wrote

Tom Sawyer.



- If we would like to focus on his work,
- we can put it as the subject of a sentence with
  - the passive verb.
- Passive verb = V. to be + past participle

- S. (To be + pp.)
- O.(by + doer)
- Tom Sawyer was written by Charles Dickens.

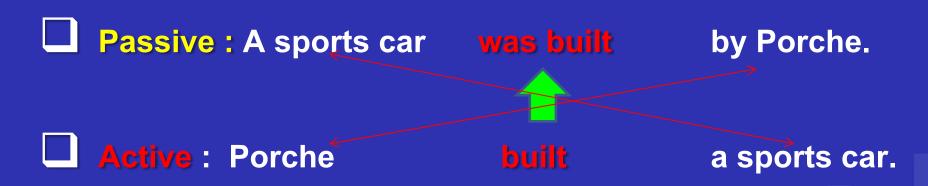








- Porshe built a sports car.
- Hyundai builta compactcar.
- Toyota built a yellow sports car.





doore in the built

Active : Hyundai



by Hyundai.





- Vincent Van Gogh painted the sunflower.
- The Sunflower was painted by Vincent Van Gogh.

- Prehistoric people painted cave paintings.
- Cave paintings were painted by prehistoric

people.





Claude Monet painted an impressionist painting.

An impressionist painting <u>was</u> painted by **Claude Monet**.

Pablo Picasso painted abstract paintings.

Abstract paintings were painted by Pablo Picasso



#### **Passive structure**

- Passive structure = verb to be + past participle (V3)
- Verb to be

Tense	Verb to be
Present simple	is / am / are
Past simple	was / were
Continuous	being
Perfect	been
Modal	be



#### **Passive structure**

Active: She cooks the meal.

Passive: The meal is cooked.

Active: They eat the meal.

Passive: The meal is eaten.

Active: We read the papers.

Passive: The papers are read.

- Active: Someone stole her car.
- Passive: Her car was stolen.

- Active: The kidnappers released the hostages.
- Passive: The hostages were released.



#### **Active & Passive**

- Active: Mrs. Harris cooks our meals.
- Passive: Our meals are cooked by Mrs. Harris.

- Active: John saw her in Dubai.
- Passive : She was seen in Dubai.

- Active: The manager will hold a meeting.
- Passive: A meeting will be held.



1. The passive voice is used to show that the action is more important by the doer.

- The housework is done by the maid.
- What is done?
- The housework
- Who does the action?
- □ The maid





2. The passive voice is used when the doer of the action is not known or uncertain. The doer is left out of the statement.

- Active: Someone stole Jean's wallet.
- Passive : Jean's wallet was stolen.



We do not know who stole the wallet.



3. The passive is used when we are not interested in who or what does something.

- The factory was built during the war.
- Sarah has been invited to the party.





4. The passive is also used when we do not want to say who or what does something.

Active: I made a cake.

Passive: A cake was made.



## Verbs with two objects

Some verbs can have two objects: a person and a thing.

They gave Susan a prize.



2. A prize was given to Susan.

## Verbs with two objects

We sent Andy a birthday card.

1. Andy was sent a birthday card.

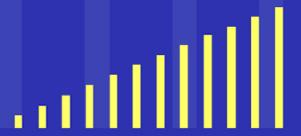
2. A birthday card was sent to Andy.







- If we want to say who or what does the action, we use "by"
- Urdu is spoken by a lot of people in London.
- The earrings were made by a Roman goldsmith.
- The missing child was found by the police.
- Thousands of fish were killed by the chemicals.



PAMN! Ninja, why did you stab that English professor in the throat?

The passive voice will be used by me and none shall question my diction!!



Alas, I am Slain...

