We will use active and passive voice. | **Concept Development**

In **active voice,** the **subject** does **the action.**
- **Object** receives the **action.**

In **passive voice,** the **subject** receives **the action**.
- The **action** is in the verb form **to be** and a **past participle**[1].
- The **agent** does the action and is **introduced** by "**by**".

Active Voice	Passive Voice
Sam kicked the **ball**.	The **ball was kicked by Sam**.
Non-example of passive: Sam was kicking the ball. (Sam does the action, so it is active.)	The **ball was kicked**. (**agent** unknown)

Definitions: [1] past participle: verb form used with to be (kicked, written)

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active voice: the subject does the action.

Which sentence is in active voice? Explain.

A **Jason hit the ball.**
B **The ball was hit by Jason.**

passive voice: the subject receives the action.

Which sentence is in passive voice? Explain.

A **Mia reports the weather.**
B **The weather was reported by Mia.**

In your own words, what is the difference between active and passive voice?

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1 Determine the subject and the verb. (underline, box)
2 Determine the agent, if there is one. (circle)
3 Decide if it is active or passive, and read the sentence.

		Active	Passive
1	Diane is cooking dinner.		
2	Mitch is painting the house.		
3	The book was read by Lee.		
4	The landmark was visited by the tourists.		
5	Pam is eating pizza for lunch.		
6	The battery was replaced by Adam.		

1 Determine who does the action and what receives it.
2 Rewrite the sentence in passive voice and read it.

	Active voice	Passive voice
7	The chicken crossed the road.	
8	Amy bought a dress.	
9	Scientists found dinosaur bones.	
10	The dog was chasing the cat.	

1 Determine the agent after "by."
2 Rewrite the sentence in active voice and read it.

	Passive voice	Active voice
11	The clothes are being washed by Rick.	
12	A donation is being given by the hospital staff.	
13	The deposit is being made by the secretary.	
14	Nathan is being tutored by Angelica.	

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Skill Closure

1 Determine the agent after "by."
2 Rewrite the sentence in active voice and read it.

Passive Voice Sentence	Active Voice Sentence
1. The cars were repaired by specialists.	
2. Lunch is being served by Paolo.	

Concept Closure

Why is the sentence below not an example of active voice? Explain.
The letter was written by Abraham Lincoln.

Summary Closure

What did you learn today about using active and passive voice?

Word Bank
subject
agent
object
action
to be
past participle

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Read the passive voice sentence. Rewrite the sentence in active voice. Read the new sentence.

Passive Voice Sentence	Active Voice Sentence
1. The money was stolen by the robber.	
2. The national anthem was sung by Lupe.	
3. The window is being opened by Lavonda.	
4. The groceries are being bought by Joe.	

Read the active voice sentence. Rewrite the sentence in passive voice. Read the new sentence.

Active Voice Sentence	Passive Voice Sentence
5. Jason played two video games last night.	
6. The rap artist sang a new song for the concert.	
7. The teacher locked the classroom door.	
8. We both carried trail mix in our backpacks.	

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Listening

Listen to each sentence read aloud.
Mark passive or active. For passive, write the agent.

Sentence	Passive Voice (agent)	Active Voice
#1		
#2		
#3		
#4		
#5		
#6		

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Reading

Read the passage.
Fill in the blanks with active or passive verbs. Use the word bank.
Reread the passage.

[1]Animals at the zoo _____ many different foods when I visited. [2]Bananas _____by the monkeys. [3]Lions _____ a lot of meat. [4]The tropical birds _____ at a lot of grain. [5]Dead rodents _____by the predator birds like hawks and vultures. [6]Grass, leaves, and lettuce _____by giraffes and elephants. [7]Otters and seals _____ whole fish, while other fish _____ by eagles diving toward the water.

Word Bank
were peeled
gulped
pecked
were consumed
were caught
devoured
ate
were grabbed

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Writing

Write a new paragraph changing all the passive voice sentences to active voice. Read the new paragraph.

Passive voice

[1]Video games were played by Juan and Mario all day on Saturday. [2]Mario was outscored by Juan on the races, while Juan was beaten by Mario in the battles. [3]A coin was flipped by them to see who went first in their final game. [4]Mario's ability was limited by a sore thumb. [5]A fancy new controller was used by Juan. [6]Guess who won?

Active voice

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