**GRAMMAR: PASSIVE VOICE TENSES & EXERCISES**

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|  | **ACTIVE VOICE**  | **PASSIVE VOICE**  |
| SIMPLE PRESENT  | The graphic artist **designs** the poster layout | The poster layout **is designed** by the graphic artist |
| PRESENT CONTINUOUS | The graphic artist **is designing** the poster layout | The poster layout **is being designed** by the graphic artist |
| SIMPLE PAST | The graphic artist **designed** the poster layout | The poster layout **was designed** by the graphic artist |
| PAST CONTINUOUS | The graphic artist **was designing** the poster layout | The poster layout **was being designed** by the graphic artist |
| SIMPLE FUTURE  | The graphic artist **will design** the poster layout | The poster layout **will be designed** by the graphic artist |
| PRESENT PERFECT | The graphic artist **has designed** the poster layout | The poster layout **has been designed** by the graphic artist |
| PAST PERFECT | The graphic artist **had designed** the poster layout | The poster layout **had been designed** by the graphic artist |
| FUTURE PERFECT | The graphic artist **will have designed** the poster layout | The poster layout **will have been designed** by the graphic artist |
| GERUND | **Designing** | **Being designed** |
| INFINITIVE  | **To design**  | **To be designed** |

**ACTIVE PASSIVE VOICE: word order/ syntax**

1. The police have arrested the thieves

The thieves have been arrested

1. Somebody broke the window yesterday

The window was broken yesterday

1. Picasso painted this picture

This picture was painted by Picasso

1. The villagers put out the fire

The fire was put out by the villagers

1. The firefighters put out the fire immediately

The fire was put out immediately

1. The Public Relations Office has submitted 5 applications.

Five applications have been submitted by the Public Relations Office

1. We have submitted 5 applications already.

Five applications have been submitted already.

1. Somebody must clean the house

The house must be cleaned

**ACTIVE PASSIVE VOICE: double-object verbs word order/ syntax**

1. Someone gave Mary a ring.

Mary was given a ring

A ring was given to Mary

1. They have told him the truth

He has been told the truth

The truth has been told to him

1. We will send you a new set tomorrow

You will be sent a new set tomorrow

A new set will be sent to you tomorrow

1. They are showing the students a video at the moment

The students are being shown a video at the moment

A video is being shown to the students at the moment

1. Someone threw a ball to him

He was thrown a ball

A ball was thrown to him

1. They are going to offer him a promotion

He is going to be offered a promotion

A promotion is going to be offered to him

1. **Choose the correct answer**
2. In those days, French ….. by all students in the school.
3. studied
4. was being studied
5. had studied
6. was studied
7. Sue ……….. to be the best volley ball player in the school.
8. they consider
9. is considering
10. is considered
11. she is considered
12. “Has our coach told us about next week’s training schedule?”

“Yes. We …………….. a really full schedule”

1. have given
2. have been given
3. are given
4. had given
5. This time next week, we ………. in the tennis tournament.
6. will be played
7. will be playing
8. are being played
9. will play
10. The championship ………… every 5 years.
11. is held
12. is being held
13. is holding
14. has been held
15. Entries for the 5km race must …….. by next Monday.
16. have received
17. have been received
18. receive
19. be received
20. The spectators left the stadium after all the medals ………….
21. have been awarded
22. awarded
23. had been awarded
24. were being awarded
25. How many athletes are ………. In the opening ceremony?
26. involved
27. involving
28. involve
29. we involve
30. All the contestants ………… by the end of last week.
31. should inform
32. should be informed
33. should have informed
34. should have been informed
35. By the time she calls, we ………. to the coach.
36. had spoken
37. are going to speak
38. have been spoken
39. will have spoken
40. **Rewrite the sentences into the Passive Voice. Do not mention the agent unless it seems necessary.**
41. People steal things from supermarkets every day. In fact, someone stole 20 bottles of wine from this one last week.
42. The postman clears this box twice a day. He last cleared it at 2.30.
43. Someone has turned on a light in the hall and has opened the door.
44. Somebody will send you the bill.
45. We build over 100 new houses a year.
46. We serve hot meals till 10.30, and guests can order coffee and sandwiches up to 11.30.
47. Can’t we do something about the situation?
48. Netflix shows audiences various films.
49. They are demolishing the entire block.
50. Passengers shouldn’t throw away their tickets as inspectors may check these during the journey.
51. They didn’t tell him the whole truth.
52. I’m afraid we have sold all our copies but we have ordered more.
53. Someone stole my car and abandoned it 15 miles away. He had removed the radio but done no other damage.
54. A stranger has given her the blue bag.
55. We had to give the books back. They didn’t allow us to take them home.
56. They have tried other people’s ideas. Why have they never tried mine?
57. They are flying in reinforcements.
58. All the ministers will see him off at the airport.
59. You mustn’t move evidence. You’ll have to leave it here.
60. You mustn’t throw the ball to your opponents.