



ACTIVE & PASSIVE VOICE

Correcting the Voice

Activity 1: Circle the Correct Answer

Read each sentence and circle the correct verb form in parentheses.

1. A new school building (is being built / is building) in the city center.
2. The famous song (**was sung / was sang**) by a popular artist.
3. The computer (**was repaired / repaired**) by my brother yesterday.
4. Many books (are sold / are selling) online every day.
5. The car (is driving / is being driven) too fast by the student.

Activity 2: Error Correction

Correct the mistakes in the following sentences. Rewrite them correctly.

1. The letter were sent by my father. _____
2. The television was broke by the boy. _____
3. My friend was helping with the homework. _____
4. The cake was cook by my grandmother. _____
5. A lot of noise made by the children. _____

Activity 3: The "True or False" Challenge

Your Task: Read the sentence and the reason it was written. Write **True** or **False** next to each one.

1. **Sentence:** The ball was hit by the boy.
Reason: This sentence uses the passive voice to show that the boy is not important.
 True or False? _____
2. **Sentence:** The phone was invented in 1876.
Reason: This sentence uses the passive voice because we don't know who invented the phone.
 True or False? _____
3. **Sentence:** The students cleaned the classroom.
Reason: This sentence uses the active voice to put the focus on the students.
 True or False? _____

Teacher's Key

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Activity 2: Error Correction

1. The letter were sent by my father.
 - Correct: The letter **was sent** by my father.
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 - Correct: The television **was broken** by the boy.
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 - Correct: The homework **was helped with** by my friend.
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 - Correct: The cake **was cooked** by my grandmother.
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 - Correct: A lot of noise **was made** by the children.

Activity 3: The "True or False" Challenge

1. **Sentence:** The ball was hit by the boy.
 - **Reason:** This sentence uses the passive voice to show that the boy is not important.
 - **True or False? True** (The passive voice puts the focus on the object, "the ball," not the doer, "the boy.")
2. **Sentence:** The phone was invented in 1876.
 - **Reason:** This sentence uses the passive voice because we don't know who invented the phone.
 - **True or False? False** (We know who invented the phone, but the passive voice is used to focus on the invention itself, not the inventor.)
3. **Sentence:** The students cleaned the classroom.
 - **Reason:** This sentence uses the active voice to put the focus on the students.
 - **True or False? True** (The active voice puts the subject, "students," at the beginning, making them the focus.)