**Passive and active voice**

**Active voice** means that a sentence has a subject that acts upon its verb. **Passive voice** means that a subject is a recipient of a verb's action

| **active** |   | **passive** |
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| *The hunter****killed****the lion.* | > | *The lion****was killed****by the hunter.* |
| *Someone****has cleaned****the windows.* | > | *The windows****have been cleaned****.* |

*Remember Mr Bird’s tip, if by zombies can fit into the sentence it’s passive!*

Please put passive or active as your answer

1. She was rushed to hospital by ambulance. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. That seat is occupied. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3. I shall be going to stay in the hotel by the lake. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4. He is being taken to the theatre by his parents tomorrow. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

5. The policeman was helped by the old lady. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

6. The policeman helped the old lady. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

7. The lion pounced on its prey and killed it. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

8. The gazelle was chased by the lion. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

9. Martin was given a low mark for his work by the teacher. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

10. The gallery in Green Street has been visited over 20,000 times. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

11. The boy rode his bike at full speed along the path. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

12. I’ve been promised a game console for my birthday. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

13. Arabic is written from left to right. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

14. My friend, Edna, speaks five languages fluently. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

15. One day, all our work will be done by machines. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Answers

(1) passive

(2) passive

(3) active

(4) passive

(5) passive

(6) active

(7) active

(8) passive

(9) passive

(10) passive

(11) active

(12) passive

(13) passive

(14) active

(15) passive