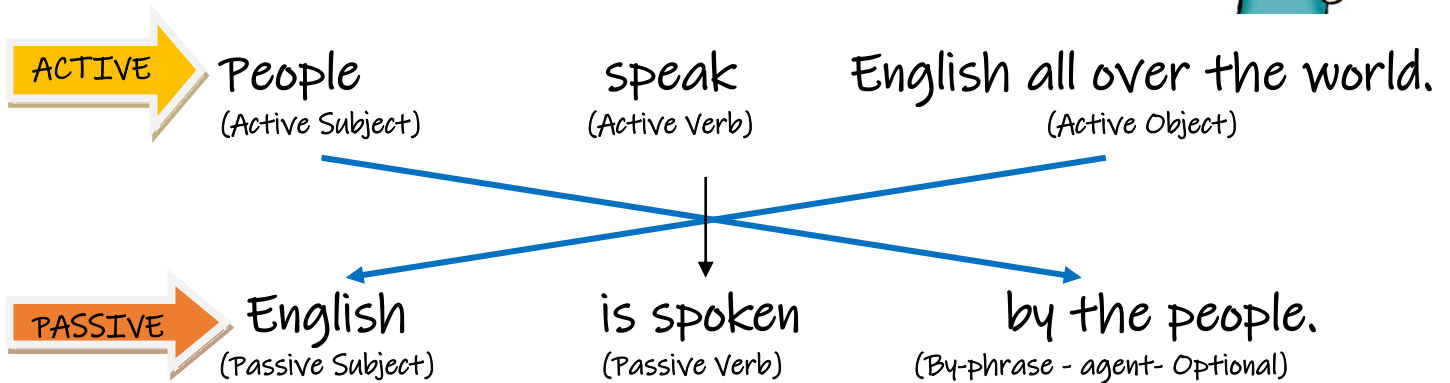


Passive Voice



Verb Tenses	Active	Passive
Present Simple	wash/washes	am/is/are washed
Past Simple	washed	was/were washed
Present Continuous	am/is/are washing	am/is/are being washed
Past Continuous	was/were washing	was/were being washed
Present Perfect	have/has washed	have/has been washed
Future Simple	will wash	will be washed
Conditional	would wash	would be washed
Modal Verbs	can wash	can be washed

VERB BE + Past Participle (ed/3rd column)



The *subject form* of the personal pronouns, used in active voice, turn into the *object form* in the passive voice.

I decorated this flat.
This flat was decorated by **me**.

PERSONAL PRONOUNS	
<i>Subject form</i>	<i>Object form</i>
I	Me
You	You
He	Him
She	Her
It	It
We	Us
They	Them

1. Complete the table:

Verb Tenses	Active	Passive
Present Simple	She speaks French. I don't clean the car.	
Past Simple	We visited Paris. They didn't see the painting.	
Present Continuous	Sarah is writing a letter. They aren't cooking dinner.	
Past Continuous	We were cleaning the house. She was watching TV.	
Present Perfect	Electricity has improved our lives.	
Future Simple	They will find a better flat. He won't help you.	
Conditional	She would buy the house.	
Modal Verbs	You should clean your room.	

2. Rewrite the sentences in the passive voice.

1. The Egyptians built the Pyramids.

_____.

2. Over 400 million people speak English

_____.

3. Edison invented the electric bulb.

_____.

4. Columbo discovered America.

_____.

5. They haven't performed Beethoven's Fifth Symphony

_____.

6. A police officer saved his life.

_____.

7. The fire is causing a lot of damage

_____.

8. You mustn't touch the switch.

_____.



9.) Karen won't prepare the food for the party

9. Tom will wash the car.

10.) The students are using the computers right now

11.) I couldn't finish the project yesterday.

12.) They were writing a book.

3. Active or passive. Choose the correct tense.

1. They often _____ music. (listen to)
2. She _____ an e-mail at the moment. (read)
3. These cars _____ in Japan. (produce)
4. Alan _____ Geography. (teach)
5. German _____ in Austria. (speak)
6. Lots of houses _____ by the earthquake last month. (destroy)
7. The 'La Stampa' newspaper _____ (read) by two million people in Italy.
8. My car _____ (steal)! Call the police!!!!
9. The thieves _____ (steal) the gold last week.
10. The Queen _____ (open) the bridge tomorrow.

