

Passive Voice – Present Tenses

The passive voice is used when we focus on the action or the receiver of the action, not who does it.

Form: Be + Past Participle (V3)

1. Present Simple Passive

Form: am / is / are + past participle (V3)

Use: To talk about facts, routines, or general truths where the doer is not important.

Keywords: every day, usually, always, often, sometimes, generally

- Examples:
- The classroom is cleaned every day.
- English is spoken in many countries.
- The homework is checked by the teacher.

2. Present Continuous Passive

Form: am / is / are + being + past participle (V3)

Use: To talk about actions that are happening right now or around now.

Keywords: now, at the moment, currently, today, these days

- Examples:
- The room is being painted now.
- The students are being helped by the teacher.
- Lunch is being served at the cafeteria.

3. Present Perfect Simple Passive

Form: has / have + been + past participle (V3)

Use: To talk about actions that have been completed recently or that have an effect on the present.

Keywords: already, just, yet, since, for, recently, lately

- Examples:
- The report has been finished.
- All the tests have been checked.
- The project has been completed recently.

Compare Active and Passive

Active Voice

The teacher checks the homework.

They are cleaning the classroom.

She has finished the project.

Passive Voice

The homework is checked by the teacher.

The classroom is being cleaned.

The project has been finished.