

# Unit 8: **PASSIVE VOICE**

## **PRACTICE:**

**I. Complete the sentences, change the verbs from active to passive:**

1. She grows some vegetables in her garden.

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2. They keep the hamster in the cage.

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3. Shakespeare wrote such an amazing play!

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4. The horses are pulling the farmer's wagon.

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5. His tricks won't fool me.

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6. Did Tommy write that note?

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7. Alex is working on a special report.

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8. John invited Yoko to the wedding.

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9. Ron found the club in 1999.

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10. Marie sold coffee in a small shop on Duckens street.

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11. The electricians test the fire alarm.

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12. John cleaned the bathroom.

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13. Our dog didn't bite that cat.

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14. Julie is hanging the pictures on the wall.

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15. He had fed the dog before he left.

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16. By next week, they will have fixed the computers.

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17. They have developed a new washing powder.

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18. The lady was giving me the keys when he saw me.

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19. The monkeys are eating bananas on the trees.

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20. The master punished the servant.

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21. Does professor Johnson teach that course?

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22. A dangerous tiger has attacked him.

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23. They will build a new house in this neighborhood.

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24. He lost his wallet when he was running to work.

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25. You might see some dolphins here.

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**II. Make complete sentences with the given words, they can be active or passive:**

1. The sweater / make / in England

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2. A letter / send / to her / some days ago

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3. They / repair / the bicycle / right now

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4. The grapes / grow / in California

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5. Julia / rescue / three wild cats / last week

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6. Jimmy / love / playing / the guitar

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7. The reports / hand in / three days / later / the deadline

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8. Dinner / cook / before / she / go / the cinema / last night

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9. The mechanic / repair / the DVD player / yet

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10. Grandma / water / the flowers / when / I / come / pick her up / yesterday

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11. The children / teach / how / use / the computer

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12. That man / write / some great poems

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13. The bridge / reconstruct / a month ago

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14. The beds / make / before / we / enter / the room / yesterday morning

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15. My grandfather / retire / by the end / next month

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**II. Change the active to passive and the passive to active:**

1. The teacher is going to explain all the words.

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2. Beans and carrots can be cooked together.

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3. The computers will be replaced tomorrow.

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4. The electric light bulb was invented by Thomas Edison.

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5. Andy was giving a speech.

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6. They produce the best cheese in France.

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7. He delivered a package to our department yesterday.

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8. The reports were read very carefully by the professor.

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9. They took the woman to the hospital.

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10. Someone has robbed the bank.

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11. Chocolate is made from the seeds of roasted cocoa beans.

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12. The police arrested the thief this morning.

13. James should tell the truth.

14. He won't accept papers written in pencil.

15. You should encourage her interest in singing.

16. Product information can be found on the Internet.

17. Use the printer for schoolwork only.

18. He had turned off the lights before he left.

19. An old man has told that story.

20. The news didn't surprise me.

**III. Choose the correct answers:**

1. Last night I ..... to lock the door before going to bed.

- A. forget
- B. am forgotten
- C. forgot
- D. was forgotten

2. All flights .....

- A. have cancelled
- B. is cancelled
- C. have been cancelled
- D. are cancel

3. Protective footwear ..... when they are in the factory.

- A. must wear
- B. must be worn
- C. must be wear
- D. mustn't be worn

4. The party ..... next month.

- A. will take place
- B. are going to take place
- C. will be taken place
- D. is taken place

5. When he was 23, his father .....

- A. dies
- B. was died
- C. has died
- D. died

6. This part of the museum .....

- A. can visit
- B. can't visit
- C. can visited
- D. can't be visited.

7. The candidates ..... right now.

- A. is interviewed
- B. are interviewed
- C. is being interviewed
- D. are being interviewed

8. This company is dedicated ..... manufacturing furniture.

- A. to
- B. in
- C. at
- D. for

9. The flights ..... recently.

- A. have delayed
- B. had been delayed
- C. have been delayed
- D. were delayed

10. More than 300 people ..... by a tornado in 1984.  
A. are injured  
B. were injured  
C. have been injured  
D. had been injured
11. The earthquake ..... the whole city.  
A. destroy  
B. destroys  
C. are destroyed  
D. is destroyed
12. The fire doors ..... free at all times.  
A. must be kept  
B. keep  
C. must keep  
D. is kept
13. I'm so ..... of cafeteria food.  
A. exhausted  
B. worried  
C. excited  
D. tired
14. We are ..... to study the map.  
A. required  
B. cut  
C. interviewed  
D. played
15. A woman ..... by a shark when she was swimming in Florida.  
A. attacks  
B. attacked  
C. was attacked  
D. had been attacked