

Active and Passive Verbs/Voices

Task 1

Draw two columns, like below, in your book.

Active	Passive
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Write these sentences into the correct column: either active or passive.

1. Alex ate the entire chicken.
2. The fierce crocodile snapped at Marty.
3. Madagascar was made by Dreamworks.
4. Gloria stamped her feet.
5. The loud noise was made by Melman.
6. Mort was chased by King Julian.
7. King Julian chased Mort.
8. The solution was found by the penguins.



Task 2

This active sentence Melman chased Marty. can be flipped over so that the end comes at the beginning and it becomes a passive sentence: Marty was chased by Melman.

Try doing the same with these sentences. Write the active sentence and the passive sentence you create in your book. Remember how the words 'was', 'were' and 'by' can help make a sentence passive.

1. Alex chased the antelope.
2. Gloria made this cake.
3. Marty found the keys to the enclosure.
4. The animals of Madagascar painted the large picture.
5. King Julian, Mort, the penguins and Melman tidied Gloria's enclosure.
6. King Julian read the scary story.
7. The big, bad dolphin chased after the penguins.
8. All the writers of Madagascar helped make the film.
9. Alex and his friends helped King Julian build his hut.
10. Melman peeled and ate the orange.

Task 3

Look at the sentences in the table. Copy the table and sentences into your book and write the missing voice sentences. The first one is done for you.

<u>Active Voice</u>	<u>Passive Voice</u>
The penguins drew the map.	The map was drawn by the penguins.
	The treasure was buried by monkeys.
	The map was stolen by Dr. Blowhole.
Dr. Blowhole lost the map.	
Marty and his friends found the map.	
	The map was followed by Marty and his friends.
Alex found all of the treasure.	



Task 4

Write these sentences in your book. Next to them write if they are an active or passive sentence and then change the sentence into the opposite. The first one has been done for you.

1. In the meeting Gloria sang a song. **Active. In the meeting a song was sang by Gloria.**
2. At the park a goose chased Melman.
3. In the flowerbed Gloria was stung by a wasp.
4. King Julian's feet were massaged by Mort.
5. Today the zookeeper repaired Alex's enclosure.
6. Last summer the tree house was built by the chimpanzees.
7. At lunchtime Marty invented a game.
8. After dinner King Julian's table was cleared by his servants.
9. In a secret spy meeting the penguins plotted an escape plan.