GRAMMAR AND PUNCTUATION · YEAR 8

Active and Passive Voice

Recognise the voice of a sentence and change it while keeping its meaning.

Name _____ **Date** _____

1 Identify the voice

Tick A for active or P for passive in each sentence.

1. The chef baked a cake. A ☐ P ☐	**2.** The cake was baked by the chef. A ☐ P ☐
3. Tom opened the door. A ☐ P ☐	**4.** The door was opened at noon. A ☐ P ☐
5. Bees make honey. A ☐ P ☐	**6.** The prize was awarded by the judge. A ☐ P ☐
7. The class is reading a novel. A ☐ P ☐	**8.** The window had been cleaned. A ☐ P ☐

2 Change to the passive voice

Rewrite each active sentence in the passive voice. Keep the tense the same.

9. The librarian stamped the books.

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10. The storm damaged several fences.

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11. The school will publish the timetable on Friday.

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3 Change to the active voice

Rewrite each passive sentence in the active voice. Keep the tense the same.

12. The final goal was scored by Priya.

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13. The hall is being decorated by the art club.

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14. The lost keys had been found by the caretaker.

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4 Your turn

Write an active sentence of your own, then rewrite it in the passive voice.

Active _____

Passive _____