

Active and Passive Voice For Class 8

1. Pihu is eating an apple.
2. An apple is eaten by Pihu.

As you see in the above two sentences, there is no difference as they represent the same thing and have the same meaning.

In the first sentence, the subject performs an action and in the second sentence, the subject of the verb is acted upon. It means the subjects become objects in the second sentence.

Therefore there are two types of voice that show subjects perform an action and the work is acted upon.

The voice can be classified into two types:-

1. Active voice
2. Passive voice

1. Active Voice

In active voice, the sentence begins with the subject of the action and the object is at the end of the sentence as it is acted upon.

The subject is the doer of the action.

The structure of the active voice is: **(Subject+ Verb+ Object)**

Examples:-

1. Radhika writes a letter.
2. Sneha baked a cake.
3. She received a parcel.
4. She will make cookies tonight.
5. The company hired new workers.

2. Passive Voice

In Passive voice, the sentence begins with an object and ends with a subject.

It is the receiver of an action.

The structure of Passive voice is: **(Object+ Verb+ Subject)**

Examples:-

1. A letter was written by Radhika.
2. A cake was baked by Sneha.
3. A parcel was received by her.
4. Tonight, the cookies will be made by her.
5. New workers were hired by the company.

Rules for changing Active to Passive Voice

1. Identify the subject, verb, and object in the active sentence to convert them into the passive voice.

Examples:-

1. He is playing cricket.
(Subject -he, verb- playing, object - cricket)
2. She is wearing a necklace.
(Subject - she, verb- wearing, object - necklace)

2. Active voice and passive voice interchange the object and subject with each other that is object of the active sentence become the subject of the passive sentence.

Examples:-



Active Voice

Passive Voice

1. She is wearing a beautiful dress.

(Subject - she, verb -wearing, dress- object)

A beautiful dress wore by her.

(Object dress is interchanged by the subject she)

2. She is eating an apple.

(Subject - she, verb- eating, apple - thing)

An Apple is eaten by her.

(Object Apple is interchanging with the subject she)

3. The subject is not used in the passive voice sometimes that is the subject in the passive voice is omitted from the sentence without giving its meaning.

Examples:-

1. He drinks two litres of water.
2. The milk was sold in litres.

4. In an active sentence the verb change into the past participle in the third form of a verb in passive voice preceded by (by, with, whom, etc.)

Examples:-

Active Voice

Passive Voice

She writes a letter.

A letter was written by her.

He knows him.

He is known to him.

Juice filled in the glass.

The glass is filled with juice.

5.

While changing active voice sentences to passive voice sentences we also change the Pronouns in the sentences.

Examples:-

Active Voice	Passive Voice
I	Me
We	Us
He	Him
She	Her
They	Them
You	You
It	It

6. The helping and auxiliary verb is according to the tense of the main verb in the passive voice and the number singular or plural of the new subject.

Examples:-

Active Voice	Passive Voice
He helps me.	I am helped by him.
She teaches us.	We are taught by her.
She beats him.	He was beaten by her.



Change in tenses and active and passive voice.

1. Simple Present Tense

Active voice	Passive voice
(subject + verb + object)	(object + is / am / are + V3 + by + subject)
He read a book.	A book is read.
She cooks food,	Food is cooked by her.
Does he purchase a watch?	A watch is purchased by him.
Sneha washed the utensils.	The utensils are washed by Sneha.
Do she likes chocolates?	Is chocolates liked by her?

2. Present Continuous Tense

Active voice	Passive voice
(Subject+ is/ am/ are + V1 + ing+ object)	(Object + is / am/ are + being +V3 + by + subject)
Alexa sings a song.	A song is being sung by Alexa.
She is eating chocolate,	A chocolate is being eaten by her.
They are playing cricket.	They are being playing cricket.
She is writing a letter.	A letter is being written by her.
She helps me.	I was being helped by her.



3. Present Perfect Tense

Active voice

(Subject+ has/ have+ V3 + Object)

She has eaten an apple,

The task has given to Priya.

We have solved the sums.

Siya has written an article.

She had read the novel.

Passive voice

(Object + has / have + been + V3 + by + subject)

An apple has been eaten by her.

Priya has been given a task.

The sums have been solved by us.

An article has been written by Siya.

The novel has been read by her.

4. Simple Past Tense

Active Voice

(Subject+ V2 + Object)

She posted the letter.

Riya cleaned the kitchen.

Did teacher punish the students?

Rakhi buys an envelope.

Teacher called the children.

Passive voice

(Object+ was/were + V3+ by+ Subject)

The letter was posted by her.

The kitchen was cleaned by Riya

Were students punish by the teacher?

An envelope was bought by Rakhi.

The children were called by the teacher.



5. Past Continuous Tense

Active Voice	Passive voice
(Subject+ was/ were + V1 + ing+ object)	(Object+ was/were + being + V3 + by+ subject)
Pihu eat the tasty food.	The tasty food was being eaten by Pihu.
She was drinking milk.	A milk was being drunk by her.
She was waiting for her outside.	She was being waited by her outside.
He was solving sums.	The sums was being solved by her.
They were playing hockey.	The hockey was being played by them.

6. Past Perfect Tense

Active voice	Passive voice
(Subject+ has + V3 + Object)	(Object+ had+ been+ V3+ by+ subject)
She had completed her homework.	The work had been completed by her.
He lost my book.	The book had been lost by him.
Naira has received the parcels.	The parcels had been received by Naira.
They won the match,	The match had been won by them.
Sarika told a lie.	A lie had been told by Sarika.



7. Simple Future Tense

Active voice

(Subject+ shall/ will+ V1+ Object)

She will bake a cake.

He shall buy a new car.

He will take tea.

She will write an essay.

She shall start the meeting.

Passive voice

(Object+ shall/ will + be+ V3+ by+ Subject)

A cake will be bake by her.

A new car will be bought by him.

A tea will be taken by her.

An essay was written by her.

The meeting will be start by her.

8. Future Perfect Tense

Active voice

(Subject+ shall /will + have + V3 + object)

She will buy a dress.

Myra will clear the exam.

He will won the quiz.

They will complete the homework.

He will cut his nails.

Passive voice

(Object+ shall/ will + have + been + V3 + by+ Subject)

A dress shall have been bought by her.

The exam will have been cleared by Myra.

The quiz will have been won by him.

The homework will have been completed by them.

The nails will have been cut by him.

Active and Passive Voice Worksheet For Class 8

Change the following sentences into passive voice.

1. Mukesh played cricket.
2. The cat ate the mouse.
3. My mother cooked tasty cookies.
4. She bought a ring.
5. He opened the door.
6. The teachers scolded him.
7. He teaches us.
8. She read a book.
9. Does she help him?
10. The children are flying kites.
11. Mr. Sharma teaches Maths.
12. Kritika is washing clothes.
13. Niya is buying a new phone.
14. He will catch the first train.
15. She shall have finished the work.
16. Meenakshi edited the article.
17. She ate the candies.
18. Someone has stolen his little purse.
19. He painted his room.
20. The Gardner will not have planted trees.

Answers

1. The cricket was played by Mukesh.
2. The mouse had been eaten by the cat.
3. The tasty cookies have been cooked by my mother.
4. A Ring was bought by her.
5. The door was opened by him.
6. He had been scolded by a teacher.
7. We are taught by him.
8. A book was read by her.
9. He was being helped by her.

10. The kites were flown by the children.
11. Maths was taught by Mr. Sharma.
12. The clothes had been washed by Kritika.
13. A new phone will be bought by Niya.
14. The first train shall be caught by him.
15. The work will have been finished by her.
16. The articles had been edited by Meenakshi.
17. The Candies were eaten by her.
18. His Little purse had been stolen by someone.
19. His room was painted for him.
20. Trees will not have been planted by the gardener.

