

THE PASSIVE (MIXED TENSES)

Change these active sentences to passive.

- 1 They will punish him. _____
- 2 They are painting my office today. _____
- 3 They have just done the work. _____
- 4 She bought this camera in Japan. _____
- 5 They took my daughter away from me. _____
- 6 Mosquitoes were eating me alive. _____
- 7 They had made many promises. _____
- 8 They will have completed the new bridge by March. _____

- 9 They are going to arrest me. _____
- 10 An American writer wrote this novel. _____
- 11 They had delivered the mail in the morning. _____

- 12 The police were investigating the cause of the accident. _____

- 13 We will hold the meeting tomorrow. _____
- 14 They saw him crossing the road. _____
- 15 We have lost the sculpture. _____
- 16 Does the price include lunch? _____
- 17 They are going to cut Tom from the team. _____

- 18 They are building a new bridge over the river. _____

- 19 Tom would accept our offer. _____
- 20 They have found your watch. _____
- 21 We can do this work within a week. _____
- 22 He sold his house for ten thousand pounds. _____
- 23 We should have expelled you. _____
- 24 They are discussing the problem. _____
- 25 Somebody was following Mary. _____

KEY

- 1 They will punish him. **HE WILL BE PUNISHED.**
- 2 They are painting my office today. **MY OFFICE IS BEING PAINTED TODAY.**
- 3 They have just done the work. **THE WORK HAS JUST BEEN DONE.**
- 4 She bought this camera in Japan. **THIS CAMERA WAS BOUGHT IN JAPAN.**
- 5 They took my daughter away from me. **MY DAUGHTER WAS TAKEN AWAY FROM ME.**
- 6 Mosquitoes were eating me alive. **I WAS BEING EATEN ALIVE BY MOSQUITOES.**
- 7 They had made many promises. **MANY PROMISES HAD BEEN MADE.**
- 8 They will have completed the new bridge by March. **THE NEW BRIDGE WILL HAVE BEEN COMPLETED BY MARCH.**
- 9 They are going to arrest me. **I'M GOING TO BE ARESTED. (I'M GOING TO GET ARESTED.)**
- 10 An American writer wrote this novel. **THIS NOVEL WAS WRITTEN BY AN AMERICAN WRITER.**
- 11 They had delivered the mail in the morning. **THE MAIL HAD BEEN DELIVERED IN THE MORNING.**
- 12 The police were investigating the cause of the accident. **THE CAUSE OF THE ACCIDENT WAS BEING INVESTIGATED BY THE POLICE.**
- 13 We will hold the meeting tomorrow. **THE MEETING WILL BE HELD TOMORROW.**
- 14 They saw him crossing the road. **HE WAS SEEN CROSSING THE ROAD.**
- 15 We have lost the sculpture. **THE SCULPTURE HAS BEEN LOST.**
- 16 Does the price include lunch? **IS LUNCH INCLUDED IN THE PRICE.**
- 17 They are going cut Tom from the team. **TOM IS GOING TO BE CUT FROM THE TEAM.**
- 18 They are building a new bridge over the river. **A NEW BRIDGE IS BEING BUILT OVER THE RIVER. / A NEW BRIDGE OVER THE RIVER IS BEING BUILT.**
- 19 Tom would accept our offer. **OUR OFFER WOULD BE ACCEPTED BY TOM.**
- 20 They have found your watch. **YOUR WATCH HAS BEEN FOUND.**
- 21 We can do this work within a week. **THIS WORK CAN BE DONE WITHIN A WEEK.**
- 22 He sold his house for ten thousand pounds. **HIS HOUSE WAS SOLD FOR TEN THOUSAND POUNDS.**
- 23 We should have expelled you. **YOU SHOULD HAVE BEEN EXPELLED.**
- 24 They are discussing the problem. **THE PROBLEM IS BEING DISCUSSED.**
- 25 Somebody was following Mary. **MARY WAS BEING FOLLOWED (BY SOMEBODY).**