

Das Passiv: Simple Present & Simple Past

Task 1: Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verb in the passive voice.

1. The cows _____ (milk) every day and then it _____ (bring) to the chocolate factory.
2. Last year, a lot of chocolate _____ (not, eat), however a lot of hot chocolate _____ (drink) by the Germans.
3. The news _____ (watch) by Mr. Smith every day, but the newspaper _____ (not, read) very often.
4. Sara's birthday _____ (celebrate) every year, but only a few friends _____ (invite) last year.
5. Luckily, many people _____ (not, injure) in the storm last year and nobody _____ (kill).

Task 2: From active to passive. Make passive sentences and leave out the by-agent where possible.

1. Tessa plays many games with her friends.

2. We don't buy a lot of meat in the supermarket.

3. He helped her last week.

4. You didn't win the tennis match last Saturday.

5. Someone stole my bike last Friday.

6. Sara and Tessa don't run many miles to school every day.

7. Mr. Smith didn't ask them about the accident.

Task 3: Express the following sentences in English.

1. Viele Bücher werden jedes Jahr gelesen.

2. Die Kinder wurden letztes Jahr in die Schule gebracht.

3. Letztes Jahr wurden nicht viele Feste gefeiert.

4. Es werden nicht mehr viele CDs und DVDs gekauft.

5. Viele bunte Kostüme werden von den Menschen an Karneval getragen.

6. Ihr wurde letztes Jahr nicht von ihren Kindern im Garten geholfen.

Task 4: Active or Passive? Complete the text.

Mary _____ (not, go) on holiday last year because her boyfriend
_____ (injure) in a bike accident. His right leg _____ (break)
and he _____ (cannot; walk) for six weeks. At first, Mary
_____ (be) sad because she _____ (want) to go with him to
London. Now, Tom _____ (be) again. They _____ (think) a lot
about going on holiday in the summer holidays. Many plans _____ (make) every day.
A cheap flight _____ (need) but it _____ (not; be) easy to find
one. Tom _____ (not; like) to stay in a hotel in the city centre because they
_____ (be) often very expensive. Yesterday, a good hotel
_____ (find) and ten underground stations from Buckingham Palace. The room
_____ (book) immediately.

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Task 1: Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verb in the passive voice.

1. The cows ____are milked_____ (milk) every day and then it ____is brought_____ (bring) to the chocolate factory.
2. Last year, a lot of chocolate ____wasn't eaten_____ (not, eat), however a lot of hot chocolate ____was drunk_____ (drink) by the Germans.
3. The news ____are watched_____ (watch) by Mr. Smith every day, but the newspaper ____isn't read_____ (not, read) very often.
4. Sara's birthday ____is celebrated_____ (celebrate) every year, but only a few friends ____were invited_____ (invite) last year.
5. Luckily, many people ____weren't injured_____ (not, injure) in the storm last year and nobody ____was killed_____ (kill).

Task 2: From active to passive. Make passive sentences and leave out the by-agent where possible.

1. Tessa plays many games with her friends.
____Many games are played with her friends by Tessa._____
2. We don't buy a lot of meat in the supermarket.
____A lot of meat isn't bought in the supermarket (by us)._____
3. He helped her last week.
____She was helped last week._____
4. You didn't win the tennis match last Saturday.
____The tennis match wasn't won last Saturday._____
5. Someone stole my bike last Friday.
____My bike was stolen last Friday._____
6. Sara and Tessa don't run many miles to school every day.
____Many miles aren't run to school every day by Sara and Tessa._____
7. Mr. Smith didn't ask them about the accident.

__They weren't asked about the accident by Mr. Smith._____

Task 3: Express the following sentences in English.

1. Viele Bücher werden jedes Jahr gelesen.

__Many books are read every year._____

2. Die Kinder wurden letztes Jahr in die Schule gebracht.

__The children were taken to school last year._____

3. Letztes Jahr wurden nicht viele Feste gefeiert.

__Not many festivals were celebrated last year._____

4. Es werden nicht mehr viele CDs und DVDs gekauft.

__Not many CDs and DVDs are bought._____

5. Viele bunte Kostüme werden von den Menschen an Karneval getragen.

__Many colourful costumes are worn by the people at carnival._____

6. Ihr wurde letztes Jahr nicht von ihren Kindern im Garten geholfen.

__She wasn't helped in the garden last year by her children._____

Task 4: Active or Passive? Complete the text.

Mary ____didn't go _____ (not, go) on holiday last year because her boyfriend _____was injured_____ (injure) in a bike accident. His right leg _____was broken_____ (break) and he ____couldn't walk_____ (cannot; walk) for six weeks. At first, Mary ____was_____ (be) sad because she ____wanted_____ (want) to go with him to London. Now, Tom ____is_____ (be) again. They ____think_____ (think) a lot about going on holiday in the summer holidays. Many plans _____are made_____ (make) every day. A cheap flight _____is needed_____ (need) but it ____isn't_____ (not; be) easy to find one. Tom _____doesn't like_____ (not; like) to stay in a hotel in the city centre because they ____are_____ (be) often very expensive. Yesterday, a good hotel _____was found_____ (find) and ten underground stations from Buckingham Palace. The room _____was booked_____ (book) immediately.