

Active/Passive Voice

Answers

Directions: Decide whether the following sentences are written in the active or passive voice. Then write the doer of the action on the line to the right. If the doer is unknown, write a question mark (?).

Example: We saw the game at the stadium. active / passive we

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| 1) Thomas feeds his dog. active / passive | <u>Thomas</u> |
| 2) The dog is fed by Thomas. active / passive | <u>Thomas</u> |
| 3) The family went to the beach. active / passive | <u>The family</u> |
| 4) The letter was written by Marshall. active / passive | <u>Marshall</u> |
| 5) The game had been won by ten points. active / passive | ? |
| 6) The problem was solved. active / passive | ? |
| 7) The stunt man risked his life. active / passive | <u>The stunt man</u> |
| 8) The fire was extinguished. active / passive | ? |
| 9) The car was being cleaned by its owner. active / passive | <u>Its owner</u> |
| 10) It gets cold here during the winter. active / passive | <u>It</u> |

Directions: Rewrite the *passive* voice sentences as *active* voice sentences.

Passive: The dog was hit by the car.

Active: The car hit the dog.

Passive: The house will be built by the construction crew in five months.

Active: The construction crew will build the house in five months.

Directions: Rewrite the *active* voice sentences as *passive* voice sentences.

Active: Julie answered the question.

Passive: The question was answered by Julie.

Active: The dolphins had learned many tricks.

Passive: Many tricks had been learned by the dolphins.