

# **ACTIVE AND PASSIVE VOICES**

## Tongue twister

*I wish to wish the wish  
you wish to wish, but if  
you wish the wish the  
witch wishes, I won't  
wish the wish you wish  
to wish.*

## Active & Passive voices

### *Active voice:*

- *Peter writes homework.*

### *Passive voice:*

- *Homework is written by Peter*

**Task1**  
**Active**  
**voice**

*Words: dinner, meeting,  
dance, work, meal, flowers,  
tea, song, shop, phone...*

*Example: Tom is cooking  
dinner. Tom cooked tasty  
meal. He sings a song.....*

## Task2 Passive voice

- *Words: dinner, meeting, dance, work, meal, flowers, tea, song, shop, phone...*

*Example: Dinner was cooked by Tom. Tasty meal was cooked by Tom. The song is sang by Tom....*

## Task3 Dialogue

# 1

*A: When will the students be given an exam?*

*B: They will be given an exam next week.*

*A: When will they be told their results?*

*B: They'll be told their results the following week.*

*A: When will they be registered for next semester?*

*B: They'll be registered in May.*

## Task3 Dialogue

# 2

*A: Sorry. Your car can't be repaired. It's too old.*

*B: But, it has to be repaired. I need it.*

*A: No, there are several parts that can't be replaced.*

*B: What do you mean, they can't be replaced?*

*A: The carburetor for this car can't be found anywhere.*

*B: You mean, parts can't be located for a 1936 Ford?*

# Task4

*Put the verb into the correct form, present simple or past simple, active or passive.*

- *1. It's a big factory. Five hundred people are employed (employ) there.*
- *2. Water \_\_\_\_\_ (cover) most of the Earth's surface.*
- *3. Most of the Earth's surface \_\_\_\_\_ (cover) by water.*
- *4. The park gates \_\_\_\_\_ (lock) at 6.30 p.m. every evening.*
- *5. The letter \_\_\_\_\_ (post) a week ago and it \_\_\_\_\_ (arrive) yesterday.*
- *6. The boat \_\_\_\_\_ (sink) quickly but fortunately everybody \_\_\_\_\_ (rescue).*
- *7. Jacob's parents \_\_\_\_\_ (die) when he was very young. He and his sister \_\_\_\_\_ (bring) up by their grandparents.*
- *8. I was born in London but I \_\_\_\_\_ (grow) up in the north of England.*
- *9. While I was on holiday, my camera \_\_\_\_\_ (steal) from my hotel room.*



## Task5

### Reporting an event

- *A new art gallery in London. Look at the notes below, then report the event. You may use your own ideas. Use passive voice.*
  - *night before opening – owners hold – party*
  - *over 400 people – attend – event*
  - *owners – invite – some famous artists*
  - *city mayor – give – speech*
  - *tomorrow – welcome – public – into the gallery*

*Example: The night before the opening, a party was held by the gallery owners.*

# Tongue twister

- *Can you can a can as a canner can can a can?*

THE END  
THANKS