



Listen and repeat. Then act out.



We form the passive with the verb **'to be'** and the past participle of the main verb.

The letter **was written** by Tim.

Study the following examples to see how the passive is formed in the present simple and past simple:

| | Active | Passive |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|--|
| Present Simple | Jack waters the plants. | The plants are watered by Jack. |
| Past Simple | Tina sent the email. | The email was sent by Tina. |

✓ ***The Passive*** is formed with the appropriate
tense of the verb **to be + past participle**



The Passive is used:

1. Когда субъект (тот, кто выполняет действие) неизвестен, неважен или очевиден из контекста

- *My car **was stolen**.* (we don't know who stole it.)
- *This church **was built** in 1815.* (unimportant agent)
- *He **has been arrested**.* (obviously by the police)

2. Когда действие важнее, чем субъект, выполняющий это действие

- *30 people **were killed** in the earthquake.*

3. Чтобы подчеркнуть субъекта действия

- *The new library **will be opened** by the Queen.*



Present Simple

| | | |
|----------------------|---|------------------------------|
| am | | |
| is | + | past participle (причастие |
| are | | прошедшего времени, глагол в |
| 3 форме или глагол с | | окончанием -ed-) |

- ***Letters are delivered by a postman;***
- ***Cars are repaired;***
- ***The house is cleaned twice a week.***



Present Continuous

am

is **being** + past participle (причастие

are прошедшего времени, глагол в

3 форме или глагол с

окончанием -ed-)

- *The letters **are being delivered**;*
- *The car **is being repaired**;*



Past Simple

Was

+

past participle

Were

- *The letters **were delivered** by a postman yesterday;*
- *The car **was repaired**;*
- *My wallet **was stolen** two days ago.*



Present Perfect

Have

been + past participle

Has

- *The letters **have been delivered**;*
- *The car **has been repaired**;*
- *A book **has been read**.*

| | Active Voice | Passive Voice |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| Present Simple | He delivers letters. | Letters are delivered . |
| Past Simple | He delivered the letters. | The letters were delivered . |
| Present Perfect | He has delivered the letters. | The letters have been delivered . |
| Past Perfect | He had delivered the letters. | The letters had been delivered . |
| Present Continuous | He is delivering the letters. | The letters are being delivered . |
| Past Continuous | He was delivering the letters. | The letters were being delivered . |
| Future Simple | He will deliver the letters. | The letters will be delivered . |
| Infinitive | He has to deliver the letters. | The letters have to be delivered . |
| Modal + be + past part. | He must deliver the letters. | The letters must be delivered . |