

PASSIVE VOICE ACTIVITIES. I.E.S. GERENA Gerena (Sevilla) Prof. Manuel Casas. Curso 2013/2014.

1 TURN THE FOLLOWING ACTIVE SENTENCES INTO PASSIVE ONES:

1. Soldiers usually wear helmets.
2. The local council is building a new stadium at the moment.
3. A French team has never won the European cup.
4. Ronaldo scored the goal in the last minute.
5. I arrived when the local band was playing the national anthem.
6. When he arrived Mary had tidied up the whole flat.
7. The Newtons will sell their house next year.
8. If we studied hard we would pass the exam easily.

2 EXERCISE:
REWRITE THE FOLLOWING SENTENCES USING THE PASSIVE:

1. They paid Jim five pounds.
2. They will ask you a lot of questions.
3. His friends gave him a present.
4. We will send you the results next week.
5. They didn't ask me my name.
6. They should have offered Tom the job.
7. No one has ever asked me that question before.
8. Nobody told me that George was ill.

3 EXERCISE
CHANGE EACH SENTENCE SO THAT THE VERBS ARE MADE PASSIVE

1. People say that many people are homeless after the floods.
2. People know that the prime minister is in favour of the law.
3. People expect that the government will lose the election.
4. People think that prisoners escape by climbing over the wall.
5. People believed that the thieves got in through the kitchen window.
6. People claim that he drives through the town at 90 mph.
7. People report that two people are seriously injured in the accident.
8. People say that three men are arrested after the explosion.

4 PASSIVE VOICE
REWRITE THE SENTENCES SO THAT THEY HAVE A SIMILAR MEANING TO THE FIRST.

- 1.- Last Thursday we appointed a new marketing manager.
A new
- 2.- Smith Ltd. are supplying our company with furniture.
Our company
- 3.- William the Conqueror built the castle in the 11th century.
The castle
- 4.- No decision has yet been made.
Nothing
- 5.- People believe that someone murdered Jenkins.
Jenkins
- 6.- Your hair needs cutting.
You ought
- 7.- The police were following the suspects.
The suspects
- 8.- No one has seen Peter since the day of the party.
Peter
- 9.- We put up a notice about the trip on the notice board yesterday.
A notice
- 10.- People think that an apple a day is good for you.
An apple a day