ENGLISH

Chapter 14 Session A



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ENVIRONMENT







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Simple past passive voice

Future passive voice with 'going to' (plans)

Simple present passive voice

Future passive voice with 'will' (predictions)

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It **isn't going to be done** unless we all take actions.

100 billion new pieces of clothing **aren't produced** every year.

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(start) by Andrew Cooper and Alex Schulze in 2017. Each bracelet uses was started almost 500 g of trash. The beads ² are made (make) from recycled glass bottles and the cord ³ is made (make) from plastic bottles. Andrew and Alex had the idea when they went on a surfing trip to Bali and saw all the trash in the water. When they started, local fishermen 4 were paid (pay) to collect trash instead of fish and the bracelets 5 were created (create) to raise money to continue. In the first two years, nearly one million kilos of trash 6 were removed (remove) from oceans worldwide by 4Ocean. Now, over 150 people 7 are employed (employ) by the company and the latest technology 8 is used (use) to remove trash from the water.

- 3 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the passive voice. Use the verbs in parentheses.
 - 1 Where (...) the clothes (...) ? (will / send)
 - 2 (...) the materials (...) ? (going to / improve)
 - 3 My top (...) in time for the party. (will / not / mend)
 - 4 The clothes (...) in our new factory. (will / make)
 - 1. Where will the clothes be sent?
 - 2. Are the materials going to be improved?
 - 3. My top won't be mended in time for the party.
 - 4. The clothes will be made in our new factory.

4 Complete the sentences using the passive voice.

- 1 He isn't going to repair the TV.
 The TV isn't going to be repaired.
- 2 They aren't going to recycle these newspapers.
 These newspapers <u>aren't going to be recycled.</u>
- They will cut down lots of trees.

 Lots of trees will be cut down.
- 4 The government won't stop water pollution.
 Water pollution won't be stopped.
- 5 People are going to use more renewable energy.
 More renewable energy is going to be used.

Many cities around the world 1 give (give) free or reducedcost transportation in exchange for recycling. In Surabaya, in Indonesia, plastic bottles 2 are accepted (accept) instead of money on buses and you (get) two hours of free travel. In Beijing, in China, free get train rides 4 are given (give) to people who recycle. Last year in Istanbul, 25 machines 5 were installed (install) that take plastic bottles. The bottles

6 (scan) by the machine and then it 7 are scanned adds (add) credit to passengers' metro cards. These cards can 8 be used (use) on all forms of public transportation. More machines ⁹ are going to be installed (install) by the council later this year. Experts predict that recycling machines like these 10 will be used (use) in more cities in the future.



Unit 5

The passive voice

1 Reinforcement Complete the table with the words in bold.

	Active	Passive
Simple present	save	are recycled
Simple past	planted	were planted
Future with will		will be polluted
Future with be going to	are going to ban	are going to be built

- 2 Reinforcement Circle the correct option.
 - 1 These bags is made/are made of plastic.
 - 2 The company recycles is recycled old plastic bags.
 - 3 We are going to mend to be mended more clothes in the future.
 - 4 Fewer old clothes will be thrown throw away.
 - 5 The amount of trash that **collected** was **collected** from the ocean increased last year.
 - 6 Last year, we removed were removed more trash from the ocean.

3 Challenge Complete the passive voice sentences.

- 1 People borrowed over 100 books from this library last week.
 - Over 100 books were borrowed from this library last week.
- 2 This factory makes paper from old clothes.
 - Paper is made from old clothes.
- 3 They use a lot of water to make paper.
 - A lot of water is used to make paper.

- 4 They are going to move the factory to a different place.
 - The factory is going to be moved to a different place .
- 5 They will build a new road.
 - A new road will be built
- 6 Environmental groups will organize protests.
 - Protests will be organised by environmental groups

Challenge Complete the text with the verbs in parentheses in the active or passive voice.

In the early 20th century, horse-drawn vehicles 1 were replaced (replace) by motor transportation such as cars and trucks. These days, horses 2 are used (use) mainly for sports and leisure. The future will bring other changes. We ³ (not give up) our cars, but they 4 won't give up will be controlled will come (control) by computers and the power 5 (come) from renewable energy. So pollution 6 will be reduced (reduce) and the environment will improve.

