

Active VS. Passive Voice

Sentences in active and passive voice

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| ACTIVE | We are going to watch a movie tonight. | ACTIVE | I ran the obstacle course in record time. | ACTIVE | The crew paved the entire stretch of highway. |
| PASSIVE | VS. | | VS. | | VS. |
| PASSIVE | A movie is going to be watched by us tonight. | PASSIVE | The obstacle course was run by me in record time. | PASSIVE | The entire stretch of highway was paved by the crew. |
| ACTIVE | Mom read the novel in one day. | ACTIVE | The critic wrote a scathing review. | ACTIVE | The staff is required to watch a safety video every year. |
| PASSIVE | VS. | | VS. | | VS. |
| PASSIVE | The novel was read by Mom in one day. | PASSIVE | A scathing review was written by the critic. | PASSIVE | A safety video will be watched by the staff every year. |
| ACTIVE | I will clean the house every Saturday. | ACTIVE | The teacher always answers the students' questions. | ACTIVE | The forest fire destroyed the whole suburb. |
| PASSIVE | VS. | | VS. | | VS. |
| PASSIVE | The house will be cleaned by me every Saturday. | PASSIVE | The students' questions are always answered by the teacher. | PASSIVE | The whole suburb was destroyed by the forest fire. |
| ACTIVE | Tom painted the entire house. | ACTIVE | Larry generously donated money to the homeless shelter. | ACTIVE | Mary is going to make a special dinner for her husband. |
| PASSIVE | VS. | | VS. | | VS. |
| PASSIVE | The entire house was painted by Tom. | PASSIVE | Money was generously donated to the homeless shelter by Larry. | PASSIVE | A special dinner is going to be made by Mary for her husband. |
| ACTIVE | Tom will finish his project by tomorrow. | ACTIVE | Tells what a person or thing does. | ACTIVE | Tells what is done to someone or something. |
| PASSIVE | VS. | | | PASSIVE | |
| PASSIVE | His project will be finished by Tom tomorrow. | | | PASSIVE | |
| ACTIVE | The cleaning crew vacuums and dusts the office every night. | ACTIVE | | ACTIVE | |
| PASSIVE | VS. | | | PASSIVE | |
| PASSIVE | Every night the office is vacuumed and dusted by the cleaning crew. | PASSIVE | | PASSIVE | |