

Passive Voice

Writing Solutions Guide

How to Use This Guide

This guide provides specific solutions for writing issues detected by the DocScanner AI system. When the AI flags a writing issue, refer to this guide for step-by-step solutions.

Common Issues Detected

- Passive voice construction
- Weak passive sentences
- Unnecessary passive voice

Solutions

Solution 1: Passive Voice Construction

Issue: Sentence uses passive voice instead of active voice

Solution: Convert to active voice by making the doer the subject

Before (Incorrect):

The file was created by the system.

After (Correct):

The system created the file.

Best Practice: Use active voice for clarity: Subject + Verb + Object

Why This Matters: Active voice is more direct, clear, and engaging for readers

Solution 2: Weak Passive Sentences

Issue: Passive voice makes the sentence vague about who performs the action

Solution: Specify who performs the action and use active voice

Before (Incorrect):

Errors were found in the code.

After (Correct):

The testing team found errors in the code.

Best Practice: Always specify who or what performs the action

Why This Matters: Clear responsibility assignment improves accountability and understanding

Solution 3: Unnecessary Passive Voice

Issue: Passive voice used when active voice would be clearer

Solution: Replace with active voice for more direct communication

Before (Incorrect):

The installation steps are demonstrated in a video.

After (Correct):

This video demonstrates the installation steps.

Best Practice: Default to active voice unless passive is specifically needed

Why This Matters: Active voice creates stronger, more engaging technical writing

Quick Reference

Use this section for quick lookup when fixing issues:

Problem	Quick Fix
Passive Voice Construction	Convert to active voice by making the doer the subject
Weak Passive Sentences	Specify who performs the action and use active voice
Unnecessary Passive Voice	Replace with active voice for more direct communication

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