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Activity – Active and passive voice

1) Read the following sentences. Decide if the underlined verb is active (A) or passive (P).

1. The actress wore a beautiful gown. (A)
2. Halle Berry presented an Oscar. (A)
3. Halle Berry has been seen in many movies. (P)
4. The director has been nominated many times. (P)
5. Old movies were filmed in black and white. (P)
6. Many actors live in California. (A)
7. Many movies are made in Hollywood. (P)
8. The names of the winners will be printed in tomorrow's newspaper. (P)
9. The actress thanked all the people who helped her win. (A)
10. The actress was driven to the ceremony in a white limousine. (P)
11. Hollywood was built at the beginning of the twentieth century. (P)
12. Hollywood has become the movie capital of the U.S. (P)

2) Fill in the blanks with the passive voice of the verb in parentheses. Use the tense or modal given.

1. (simple present: see)

The awards ceremony is seen by millions of people.

2. (future: choose)

Which actor will be chosen next year?

3. (modal: can / see)

The movie can be seen at many theaters.



4. (present perfect: make)

Many movies have been made about World War II.

5. (simple past: give)

Kate Winslet was given the best actress award in 2009.

6. (present continuous: show)

A good movie is being shown at a theater near my house.

7. (simple past: make)

Star Wars was made in 1977.

8. (present perfect: show)

The movie has been shown on TV many times.

9. (present perfect: give)

Over 2,000 Academy Awards have been given out since 1929.

10. (simple past: give)

In 1929, only one award was given to a woman.

11. (simple past: add)

When was sound added to movies? It was added in 1927.

12. (simple present: often / make)

Movies are often made in Hollywood.

13. (present perfect: film)

How many movies have been filmed in black and white?

3) write an active sentence and a passive sentence for each subject. Choose an appropriate tense.

1. Active: My textbook has 20 pictures.

Passive: My textbook will be shown in an exposition.

2. Active: My best friend eats healthy food.

Passive: healthy food is eaten by My best friend.

3. Active: Some students are doing the activity.

Passive: The activity is being done by some students.

4. Active: I see the news every night.

Passive: The news is seen by millions.



5. Active: Actors can play different roles.

Passive: Different roles can be played by actors.

6. Active: Movies has 120 minutes.

Passive: Movies will be shown in a theater.

4) Fill in the blanks with the passive voice of the verb in parentheses. Choose an appropriate tense.

1. Most American movies was made in Hollywood.

(make)

2. Let's get some popcorn. It's fresh. It is made right now.

(make)

3. Movie listings can be found in the newspaper.

(can/find)

4. Children are not allowed to see some movies.

(not/allow)

5. Hurry! The winners will be announced in ten minutes.

(announce)

6. In 1929, only fifteen Oscars were presented.

(present)

7. Before 1941, the winners' names were published in newspapers the night before the ceremony.

(publish)

8. A new theater was built near my house at this time.

(build)

9. We can't get into the movie theater because all the tickets are sold already.

(sell)

10. Did you see the movie Harry Potter? Where was it filmed?

(film)



11. I went to the lobby to buy popcorn, and my seat was taken.

(take)

12. No one knows why the award is called "Oscar."

(call)

13. Slumdog Millionaire was chosen as the best film of 2009.

(choose)

14. In a movie theater, coming attractions are shown before the feature film begins.

(show)

15. Sound was added to movies in 1927.

(add)

16. The Kodak Theatre, where the awards are presented each year, was built in 2001.

(present)

5) Fill in the blanks with the passive voice of the verb in parentheses. Use the past tense.

1. Mickey Mouse was Created by Walt Disney.

2. The movie projector was invented by Thomas Edison.

3. Romeo and Juliet was written by William Shakespeare in 1595.

4. Romeo and Juliet was made into a movie in 1968.

5. My Heart Will Go On was sung by Celine Dion.

6. Star Wars was directed by George Lucas.

6) Fill in the blanks with the active or passive voice of the verb in parentheses. Use the tense indicated.

1. Many movies are made in Hollywood.

(present: make)

2. Steven Spielberg has made many movies.



(present perfect: make)

3. We will rent a DVD this weekend.

(future: rent)

4. Vera Wang designs beautiful dresses.

(present: design)

5. The actress was wearing a dress that was designed by Ralph Lauren.

(past continuous: wear) (past: design)

6. Who wrote the music for the movie? The music was written by Randy Newman.

(past: write) (past: write)

7. The first Academy Awards presentation had 250 guests.

(past: have)

8. I have never seen Star Wars.

(present perfect: never / see)

9. Computer animation are used in many movies.

(present: use)

10. Movie reviewers are made predictions weeks before the Oscar presentation.

(present: make)

11. Oscar winners always thanked the people who helped them.

(present: always/thank)

7) Read the following textbook article. Pay special attention to active and passive verbs.

1. Animated movies have changed a lot over the last 100 years.

2. Winsor McCay has been considered the father of animation.

3. In the early 1900s, movies were animated.

4. Hundreds of photographs were needed to make a one-minute film.



5. Walt Disney's animation was taken to a new level.
6. Sound and music was added to Walt Disney's movies.
7. In 1914, was created Mickey Mouse.
8. In 1914, was produced the first full-length animated film.