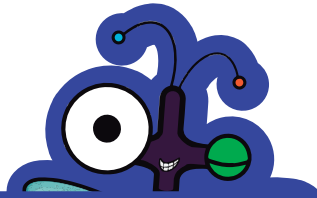


# Passive Voice



*The passive voice is used when we want to emphasize the action (the verb) and the object of a sentence rather than subject.*

This means that the subject is either less important than the action itself or that we don't know who or what the subject is.

Legends **are** not **born**; they **are** made

Form of the passive voice:

he was born to be.

**Subject** + the appropriate form of **to be** + **Past Participle**

**NOTE:** The appropriate form of *to be* = To be is put in the the tense of the active voice main verb.

When rewriting active sentences in passive voice, note the following:

- The object of the active sentence becomes the subject of the passive sentence.
- The form of the verb is the appropriate form of to be (the tense of the active voice main verb) + the past participle.
- The subject of the active sentence becomes the object of the passive sentence (or is dropped.)

**Examples:**

**Passive:** The Lion was captured by the hunters.

**Active:** The hunters captured the lion.

