is being done has been done (passive 2)



- - My car is at the garage. It is being repaired. (= somebody is repairing it)
 - Some new houses are being built opposite the park. (= somebody is building them)

Compare the present continuous and present simple:

- The office **is being cleaned** at the moment. (continuous)
 The office **is cleaned** every day. (simple)
- Football matches **are** often **played** at the weekend, but no matches **are being played** next weekend.





VOCABULARY RELATED TO PHONES

When we are done talking on the phone, we

hang up the phone

- To hang up the phone means to disconnect a phone call or to suddenly end a phone call.
- When they started asking for my credit card information, I just hang up the phone.
- There is also the phrase:

to hang up on someone

It is when you end the phone call unexpectedly, because you got mad at a person you were speaking to or got upset with them.

When someone is rude to me on the phone, I just hang up on them.

to dial a number

means to use a keypad or a touch screen

to enter a phone number

If someone calls you when you were busy or you can't talk what do you do? You let them know that you will

call them back

- To call back" means to call someone who called you earlier or to call someone again at a later time.
- You could also use the phrase:

to return a call

which means the same thing as the "to call back". The difference here is that to call back is informal, while "to return a call" is more business-like and formal.

Very often when you call tech support or support centers or other official establishments you first talk
to some kind of assistant and then if you need a specialist they will connect you to the specialist or to
another department. Or they could also say

to put through

- To put through means to connect in this context.
- I will put you through to our manager. Please remain on hold.
- Which means don't hang up, stay on the line and wait till you are connected to the proper department or a person.
- So, you can be put on hold or you can put someone on hold.

put on hold

- If you get cut off, this means that the phone connection was suddenly interrupted.
- Also when you send text message to someone from your phone, you can say that you "texted them", not "messaged".
- If you say "messaged" this would mean that you send a message through a social media or an app.

cut off texted them messaged

- When you "run out of battery" on your phone means that your phone battery doesn't have enough charge to continue working.
- You could also say "my battery is dead" or "my battery died" instead of saying "my phone ran out of battery".

run out of battery my battery is dead my battery died

to have reception

- means that your phone is picking up a signal and is getting enough data so that you are able to make phone calls and send text messages.
- Sorry for not calling you back. I was on my dad's farm and there was no reception.
- Sorry for not calling you back. I was on my dad's farm and I had very bad reception.