**Active Vs. Passive Voice:GESL 6**

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**Active Voice**

The active voice focuses on the subject or doer of an action**.**Most English sentences are in the active voice.

Form:subject+verb+object

Sentence1:People all over the world eat pizza.

The Passive Voice

The passive voice focuses on the object or the person or thing that receives the action.

We use the passive voice when the subject is not known or not important. In the passive voice,the object of the active voice comes first.

Present Simple Passive

Form: object+ be verb(am,is,are)+past participle

Sentence 2:Pizza is eaten all over the world.

The object of sentence1 comes first in sentence 2.

Past Simple Passive

Use the Past Simple form of the verb be(was,were) and the past participle to form the past simple passive.

Form: object+ be verb(was,were)+past participle

Example:His bike was stolen last night.

Present Perfect Passive

Use has/have+been+ past participle to form the present perfect passive

Form: object+has/have+been+past participle

Example: The enemy has been defeated.

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We use the preposition “by” if the person or thing that does the action is important.

Example: Christians believe that the Bible was inspired God.