

Unit - 12

ACTIVE AND PASSIVE

- A.1. are employed
2. Somebody cleaned the office yesterday
3. is covered by forest
4. are locked
5. was sent and it arrived only yesterday.
6. Where were these photographs taken?
- (i) Were they taken by you or by somebody else? –
- (ii) No
- (iii) Active and Passive

The construction was different when the subject acted or performed the action. – (ii) The construction was different when the subject of the verb was acted upon or received the action. In (i) I used 'Active Voice' and in (ii) I used 'Passive Voice'. The form of the 'verb' shows whether the subject is the doer or the receiver of the action. We do not know the active subject. Anyone can see this sort of road-side restaurants everywhere in the city. When the airport was arrived at by him, he was arrested. (awkward sentence) I am pleased to announce that bonus will be paid this year. Someone cut the hair. So the use of got.

A.3 Matching

Excerpts	Text Types
1	b
2	c
3	a

Frequent use of the passive is found when the doer is obvious, unknown or some natural forces.

1. No. Where subject is obvious we use Active form.
2. were killed, was expected, were destroyed, has been reported, were advised. (Passive constructions).
- Passive constructions are used when we want to talk about an action or a thing that happens but we are not interested in saying who or what did it.
3. Authorities expect the death toll to rise slightly as earthquake destroyed 225 homes and nine government buildings. The media reported injuries to 100 people.

4. The rewritten paragraph is a little awkward as it makes us give more attention to the authorities and the media. The real doers are not prominent here.

A.5. a. is believed, have been, was bought, called, is named

- b. was reckoned,
- c. was bought,
- d. was considered, was offered,
- e. was later purchased.

1. Title: The Jacob Diamond

*** Most common verb form is – Passive.**

- 3. Sixth Hyderabad Nizam buys Jacob diamond.
- 4. Government Purchases Diamonds for 40 crores.
- 5. Classroom activity
- 6. Nizam spurns offer for Diamond

A.6 (b) Young Sikkimese Scales Kanchenjunga. The young Sikkimese scaled the steepest face of Mt. Kanchenjunga.

- (a) Tamil Nadu Government Bans Smoking, move not welcomed.

The move of the Tamil Nadu government to ban smoking in the state is not welcomed by the people

- (b) Opposition Unconvinced on Excessive Election Spending.

The Opposition remains unconvinced with the response of the ruling party on excessive election spending and not maintaining proper accounts.

- (c) Siemens Appoints New Managing Director.

Siemens Germany has appointed J. Shubert, its new Managing Director, after convening the general body meeting last week.

- (d) Government Emphasized increased Production.

Government has emphasized the need to increase production to face and cope with rice shortage.

- (e) Buddhist Stupa Excavated .

Archaeological Survey of India has excavated a Buddhist Stupa in a village in Haryana.

- (f) Cricket Team Announced For England.

The selectors have announced a cricket team which will tour England in July 2011.

A.7. (a) Two words missing are — she is

(b) Three words missing — (she is found)

Policeman, having been injured by the angry crowd, was carried to a nearby ambulance and taken to the city hospital by the Arun College students.

Policeman injured, helped by college students.

(b) Two Arun college students took an injured policeman to the city hospital. In 'a' Passive form has been used. In 'b' Active form has been used.

Two Arun college student hospitalized injured policeman.

B. Present Passive

B.1. Main verb

1. Place

2. Becomes

3. Remove

4. Place

5. Attracts

In this description we use 'Present Tense'.

A screwdriver is placed inside a coil carrying a direct current. The screwdriver becomes magnetized. It is removed carefully and placed in iron filings. It attracts the filings.

B.2. A magnetized screwdriver is placed inside the coil. An alternating current is passed through it. The screwdriver is slowly withdrawn from the coil to a distance of about one metre while the current is flowing. It becomes demagnetized. The current is switched off. The screwdriver is placed in iron filings. It does not attract the filings.

B.3. Mystery Fuel

They are put in a container of water and the stuff is boiled. The mixture is allowed to cool. Lime juice and salt are added to it. Then chemicals of unknown identity are added. After a while, a golden yellow liquid becomes visible as a top layer which is filtered and then used as fuel.

C. Simple Past Passive

When I was six, I wasn't allowed to play alone.

When I was seven, I was enrolled in a school.

When I was eight, I was allowed to bike to my school.

When I was nine, I was given a wrist watch to wear.

When I was ten, I was allowed to have snacks from the school tuck-shop. (This is a self attempt activity otherwise)

D. Modals with the Passive

The room looks topsy – turvy. Things are strewn on the carpet and articles of furniture give the room the look of a wrestling arena. Faded colour of the walls requires that they should be painted. Then the things lying here and there must be placed properly. The foot rag should be placed at the entrance of the room. All the pieces of furniture must be arranged to give the room a beautiful look. The centre table must be placed in between the two pieces of sofa placed at a comfortable distance from each other. The tumbler, the cups and kettle should be removed to the kitchen. Casual footwear should be placed against the wall in a corner. The books should be piled up properly and be placed on the study table. Tumbled dustbin should be placed under the study-table. The chairs should be placed near the study table in an order and the drawer should be closed after putting the pens in it. The things in the show-case must be arranged properly. The torn calendar must give place to a new one. The blinds of the windows must be washed. The covered dustbin lying at the entrance must be placed in the corner behind the study table. Torn paper bits should be put in the dustbin. The empty rectangular box should be placed in a drawer. The round box with small bottles in it should be properly covered and put on the mantelpiece. A bottle lying on the mantelpiece should be placed in the bathroom. The dust and dirt accumulated on the wings of the fan should be removed. The door kept ajar must be closed. Last of all, the carpet should be cleaned properly. This done, would give the room a proper look and make it fit to live and work in.

E. Present Perfect Passive The walls have been painted and the carpet has been dry cleaned. The blinds of the window have been changed and the mantelpiece has been redone. The showcase has been fitted with new glossy glass shelves and new ornamental show pieces adorn it now.

A new fan has been fitted. A separate and small enclosure has been built in a corner to house the dustbin to keep it unseen. A side table has been placed in another corner and the plates and cups are placed on it whenever they are out of use. On the mantelpiece a new clock has been placed. A beautiful rack has been purchased to

accommodate shoes and it has been placed outside the room. A new brass handle has been fitted in the door. My room eagerly awaits your visit. You will be surprised to see this sea change and feel envious of me. I am sure you will try to emulate my effort.

Yours affectionately

Roshan

EFuture Passive

People will no longer be sleeping on the streets. One cinema out of six cinemas will be turned into a theatre. Open sewers will be fully covered. Two more schools will be set up. To ease the position of the overcrowded school, two Primary and one Secondary schools will be built. Residents facing acute paucity of parks and open spaces will be happy as small parks between low-cost housing blocks will be developed.

G. Getting something done

- G.1. 1. My neighbours are having their garden re-laid at the moment.
 2. I will have to get another made.
 3. I get milk delivered to my house every day.
 4. I'm afraid you cannot. The film has not been developed yet.
 5. Why don't you get a new one made?
- G.2. 2. To have my blood pressure measured.
 3. To have my passbook completed.
 4. To have my clothes stitched.
 5. To have my picture clicked.
 6. To have my teeth checked.

H.1.

- | A | B |
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| 1. | a, g |
| 2. | i |
| 3. | j |
| 4. | e |
| 5 | d |

6. f
7. a
8. I
9. b
10. c

H. Passive Summary

H.2. 1. I think we are being followed.

2. Cannot be explained

3. was cancelled

4. is been restored

5. gets delayed

6. might have been thrown away.

7. are reported to have been injured.

H.3. Two new apartment buildings were built by McKinney Company last year. Recently one of the buildings was damaged by an earthquake. The company office in the other building was also destroyed. The insurance money will be received by the owners – money will be used to fix the damages. Money paid for the apartments will not be lost.

H.4. The famous Nor Y Koh emerald was stolen from the museum last night. Police believe the thieves must have forced the window-locks and disabled the alarms before the museum was closed for the night. Police have arrested a man acting suspiciously outside the museum.

H.5. Newspaper Report

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A short circuit, it is said, caused a major fire in the stall of Rendezvous Publishers at Pragati Maidan, Hall No. 10. Costly volumes were reduced to ashes. A small fire took the shape of high-rising flames. Panic spread in the area. People ran helter and skelter. Thick smoke hindered the way. In this fire 11 women, 6 men and 14 children

got injured. Thankfully there was no casualties. The condition of six people is serious and they have been in the ICU at GP hospital.

It took 3 fire fighters close to two hours to douse the flames and control the fire and declare the premises safe. The delay in dousing the flames was due to nonavailability of water nearby. Huge clouds of black smoke billowing from the blaze could be seen from the Ring Road.

The publishers have suffered a heavy loss. The Electricity Authority will now investigate the incident.

Integrated Grammar Practice 7

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| 1. | Error | Correction |
| | (a) who | which |
| | (b) a | the |
| | (c) naming | namely |
| | (d) different | difference |
| | (e) produced | produce |
| | (f) system | systems(|
| | g) in | on |
| | (h) depended | depending |
2. (I) has again topped
- (ii) thatheat wave in North India will subside next week.
- (iii) were destroyed in fire
- (iv) to study literature as there would be tremendous scope for literature graduates.
- (v) seven lost their lives in a road accident.
3. (a) (ii) (b) (iii) (c) (I) (d) (ii) (e) (i)
4. (a) (i) has been
- (b) (ii) since
- c (iv) where
- (d) (iii) to care
- (e) (ii) after
- (f) (iii) against

- (g) (iii) campaigned
(h) (iv) under
5. (a) I had not seen him for ages
(b) had gone to the US to do
(c) if he had a good time there
(d) was here for his brother's wedding.
6. Incorrect word Correction
- (a) happier happy
 (b) around in
 (c) feels feel
 (d) rituals routine
 (e) laugh laughing
 (f) gives give
 (g) forgot forget
 (h) these their