

PASSIVE VOICE

1. Read the following sentences, then compare and contrast them in terms of form and meaning

Sentences 1	Sentences 2	Form
We bake the bread here We are baking the bread. We have baked the bread. We baked the bread yesterday. We were baking the bread. We had baked the bread	The bread is baked here. The bread is being baked . The bread has been baked . The bread was baked yesterday. The bread was being baked . The bread had been baked .	

2. Deduce the rules of the active and the passive forms

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3. Choose the correct verb forms in this news report about a storm.

Millions of pounds' worth of damage (has caused/has been caused by a storm which (1) swept/was swept across the north of England last night. The River Ribble (2) burst/was burst its banks after heavy rain. Many people (3) rescued/were rescued from the floods by fire-fighters, who (4) received/were received hundreds of calls for help. Wind speeds (5) reached/were reached ninety miles an hour in some places. Roads (6) blocked/were blocked by fallen trees, and electricity lines (7) brought/were brought down, leaving thousands of homes without electricity. 'Everything possible (8) is doing/is being done to get things back to normal,' a spokesman (9) said/was said.

4. Put the sentences into the correct passive forms.

1- They haven't cleaned the kitchen yet.

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2- Ahmed has written his friend a nice poem.

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3- He had seen that movie twice.

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4- Will they wear suits for the party?

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5- The police has been holding back the protesters.

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