

Homework/Extension

Step 3: Using the Passive Verb

National Curriculum Objectives:

English Year 6: (6G4.4) [Using passive verbs to affect the presentation of information in a sentence](#)
English Year 6: (6G4.4) [Use of the passive to affect the presentation of information in a sentence \[for example, I broke the window in the greenhouse versus The window in the greenhouse was broken \(by me\)\]](#)

Terminology for pupils:

- (6G4.4) [active](#)
- (6G4.4) [passive](#)

Differentiation:

Questions 1, 4 and 7 (Varied Fluency)

Developing Tick the passive verb that will complete both sentences. Includes single clause sentences.

Expected Tick the passive verb that will complete both sentences. Includes sentences with expanded noun phrases.

Greater Depth Tick the passive verb that will complete both parts of a sentence. Includes multi-clause sentences with expanded noun phrases, where an object is omitted.

Questions 2, 5 and 8 (Varied Fluency)

Developing Underline the active verb and complete the sentence in the passive form. Includes single clause sentences.

Expected Underline the active verb and complete the sentence in the passive form. Includes sentences with expanded noun phrases.

Greater Depth Underline the active verb and complete the sentence in the passive form. Includes multi-clause sentences with expanded noun phrases, where the object is omitted.

Questions 3, 6 and 9 (Reasoning)

Developing Explain a mistake when converting from active to passive forms. Includes single clause sentences.

Expected Explain a mistake when converting from active to passive forms. Includes sentences with expanded noun phrases.

Greater Depth Explain a mistake when converting from active to passive forms. Includes multi-clause sentences with expanded noun phrases.

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1. Tick the passive verb that will complete both of the sentences below.

The ball _____ to me by the goalkeeper.

My pencil case _____ into my bag by me this morning.

was flown

is thrown

was thrown



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2. Underline the active verb in the sentence below. Complete the sentence in the passive form.

Jack kicked the ball.

The _____ by Jack.



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3. Florence has rewritten the sentence below in the passive form.

The fox caught a rabbit in my garden.

A rabbit is caught by a fox in my garden.

Explain the mistake that Florence has made.



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4. Tick the passive verb that will complete both of the sentences below.

The red sports car _____ around the track at break-neck speed.

My best friend _____ to school today by her mum.

is driven

was driven

drove



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5. Underline the active verb in the sentence below. Complete the sentence in the passive form.

The pilot expertly flew the brand-new plane.

The brand-new plane _____ expertly by

_____ .



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6. Millie has rewritten the sentence below in the passive form.

The passer-by saved the little boy from drowning.

The passer-by was saved from drowning by the little boy.

Explain the mistake that Millie has made.



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7. Tick the passive verbs that would make sense in the sentence below.

The test papers _____ after they _____ by the exhausted children.

were completed

was completed

were marked



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8. Underline the active verbs in the sentence below. Complete the sentence in the passive form, omitting the object.

Toby threw the cricket ball too hard and smashed the window when he was being silly.

When he was being silly, _____ .



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9. Joseph has rewritten the sentence below in the passive form with the object omitted.

Completely unnoticed, the stealthy thief stole the jewels right from underneath the jeweller's nose.

The jewels are stolen, completely unnoticed,
right from underneath the jeweller's nose.

Explain the mistake that Joseph has made.



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Developing

1. **was thrown**
2. Jack **kicked** the ball. The ball was kicked by Jack.
3. The wrong tense of the auxiliary verb has been used. The sentence should be: A rabbit **was caught** by a fox in my garden.

Expected

4. **was driven**
5. The pilot expertly **flew** the brand-new plane. The brand-new plane **was flown** expertly by **the pilot**.
6. The subject and object have been switched around which changes the meaning of the sentence. The sentence should be: The little boy was saved from drowning by the passer-by.

Greater Depth

7. **were marked; were completed**
8. Toby **threw** the cricket ball too hard and **smashed** the window when he was being silly. Various answers for example: When he was being silly, the window was smashed as the cricket ball was thrown too hard.
9. **Are** has been used instead of **were**. To form the passive verb, Joseph needs to use the past tense of the auxiliary verb as well as the past participle of the action verb, e.g. 'were stolen'.