Active and Passive Voice

Standard difficulty · 20 questions · 40 marks · Time: 36 minutes

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Write full answers in Sections B and C. Answers are on the last page — try every question first!

Section A — Choose the correct answer — 8 × 1 = 8 marks

1. Choose the passive voice of: “He is carrying the box at the moment.”
   (a) The box is carried by him at the moment.
   (b) The box is being carrying by him at the moment.
   (c) The box is being carried by him at the moment.
   (d) The box are being carried by him at the moment.

2. Choose the passive voice of: “He is planting the saplings at the moment.”
   (a) The saplings are planted by him at the moment.
   (b) The saplings are being planted by him at the moment.
   (c) The saplings is being planted by him at the moment.
   (d) The saplings are being planting by him at the moment.

3. Choose the passive voice of: “My sister is carrying the bags now.”
   (a) The bags are being carried by my sister now.
   (b) The bags were being carried by my sister now.
   (c) The bags is being carried by my sister now.
   (d) The bags are being carrying by my sister now.

4. Choose the passive voice of: “You will have bought a pen.”
   (a) A pen will have been buying by you.
   (b) A pen is being bought by you.
   (c) A pen is bought by you.
   (d) A pen will have been bought by you.

5. In the active voice, the subject:
   (a) comes after “by”
   (b) is always a pronoun
   (c) does the action
   (d) receives the action

6. Choose the active voice of: “The puzzles will be finished by my brother tomorrow.”
   (a) My brother will finish the puzzles tomorrow.
   (b) My brother will finish the puzzles tomorrow by them.
   (c) The puzzles will be finished.
   (d) The puzzles will be finishing by my brother tomorrow.

7. The sentence “Vikram will have read a poem.” is in the:
   (a) reported speech
   (b) active voice
   (c) passive voice
   (d) imperative mood

8. Assertion (A): The passive of “Priya will have decorated the cake” is “The cake will have been decorating by Priya”.
Reason (R): In the passive, the object becomes the subject and the verb is a form of “be” in the same tense with the past participle.

(a) Both A and R are true, and R is the correct explanation of A.

(b) Both A and R are true, but R is not the correct explanation of A.

(c) A is true, but R is false.

(d) A is false, but R is true.

Section B — Short answer — 8 × 2 = 16 marks

9. Change into the passive voice: “My parents will have cooked the vegetables by Monday.”

10. Change into the passive voice: “Kabir is repairing the bicycle at the moment.”

11. Change into the passive voice: “Dev is opening the doors now.”

12. Change into the passive voice: “Ananya will have watered the plant.”

13. Change into the active voice: “The cards have been made by Farhan.”

14. Change into the active voice: “A pen is being bought by him at the moment.”

15. Change into the passive voice: “Please bring your notebook.”

16. Underline the doer and the receiver of the action, and say which voice this is: “The photographs will have been taken by him by Monday.”

Section C — Longer answers — 4 × 4 = 16 marks

17. Change into the passive voice:
(1) Farhan decorates the cakes.
(2) Kabir decorated the classroom yesterday.
(3) Kavya will wash the plate next week.
(4) Kabir has flown the kites.

18. A school notice is usually written in the passive voice. Rewrite these steps for making a poster in the passive: “We draw a map. Then we write a letter. Finally, we clean the room.”

19. Explain how a sentence changes from active to passive voice, using “Rohan had read a poem before noon.” as your example. When is the passive voice useful?

20. Change into the active voice:
(1) The project is being finished by him at the moment.
(2) The cards were being made by Neha.
(3) The bags had been carried by Zoya before noon.

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Answer key

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Q	Answer	Working
1	**(c) The box is being carried by him at the moment.**	present continuous: object + is/are being + past participle + by + doer
2	**(b) The saplings are being planted by him at the moment.**	present continuous: object + is/are being + past participle + by + doer
3	**(a) The bags are being carried by my sister now.**	present continuous: object + is/are being + past participle + by + doer
4	**(d) A pen will have been bought by you.**	future perfect: object + will have been + past participle + by + doer
5	**(c) does the action**	—
6	**(a) My brother will finish the puzzles tomorrow.**	the doer (after “by”) becomes the subject
7	**(b) active voice**	the subject does the action
8	**(d) A is false, but R is true.**	A is false: it is “The cake will have been decorated by Priya.”. R is true.
9	**The vegetables will have been cooked by my parents by Monday.**	future perfect passive
10	**The bicycle is being repaired by Kabir at the moment.**	present continuous passive
11	**The doors are being opened by Dev now.**	present continuous passive
12	**The plant will have been watered by Ananya.**	future perfect passive
13	**Farhan has made the cards.**	the doer after “by” becomes the subject
14	**He is buying a pen at the moment.**	the doer after “by” becomes the subject
15	**You are requested to bring your notebook.**	a polite request becomes “You are requested to …”
16	**Passive voice; the doer comes after “by”, and the receiver is the subject.**	—
17	**(1) The cakes are decorated by Farhan. (2) The classroom was decorated by Kabir yesterday. (3) The plate will be washed by Kavya next week. (4) The kites have been flown by Kabir.**	simple present, simple past, simple future, present perfect
18	**A map is drawn. Then a letter is written. Finally, the room is cleaned.**	the doer (“we”) can be left out when it is obvious
19	**The object becomes the subject, the verb becomes a form of “be” in the same tense + past participle, and the doer goes after “by”: A poem had been read by Rohan before noon. It is useful**	—

Q	Answer	Working
	when the doer is unknown or less important than the action.	
20	**(1) He is finishing the project at the moment. (2) Neha was making the cards. (3) Zoya had carried the bags before noon.**	**—**