

# Writing in the Active Voice

## Present Simple & Past Simple

### Active Voice

The subject of the sentence does the action

Tim hit the ball on the roof.

subject

### Passive Voice

The subject of the sentence receives the action.

The ball was hit on the roof by Tim.

subject

The following sentences are written in **passive voice**.  
Rewrite each sentence in **active voice**.

### Present Simple

1. Food is placed in the bowl by Harry.

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2. A plate is dropped by the girl.

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3. The bike is ridden by Sandra.

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4. The boat is driven by the captain.

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5. A book is read by the teacher.

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### Past Simple

6. The eggs were collected by Pat.

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7. Greg was handed a drink by Juan.

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8. The tickets were handed out by the worker.

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9. Glue was spread by the artist.

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10. The bed was jumped on by Lyn and Jacquie.

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# Writing in the Active Voice **Answers**

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Active Voice	Passive Voice
The subject of the sentence does the action	The subject of the sentence receives the action.
<p><u>Tim</u> hit the ball on the roof.</p> <p>↑</p> <p>subject</p>	<p><u>The ball</u> was hit on the roof by Tim.</p> <p>↑</p> <p>subject</p>

The following sentences are written in **passive voice**.  
Rewrite each sentence in **active voice**.

### Present Simple

- Food is placed in the bowl by Harry.  
**Harry places food in the bowl.**
- A plate is dropped by the girl.  
**The girl drops a plate.**
- The bike is ridden by Sandra.  
**Sandra rides the bike.**
- The boat is driven by the captain.  
**The captain drives the boat.**
- A book is read by the teacher.  
**The teacher reads a book.**

### Past Simple

- The eggs were collected by Pat.  
**Pat collected the eggs.**
- Greg was handed a drink by Juan.  
**Juan handed Greg a drink.**
- The tickets were handed out by the worker.  
**The worker handed out the tickets**
- Glue was spread by the artist.  
**The artists spread glue.**
- The bed was jumped on by Lyn and Jacquie.  
**Lyn and Jacquie jumped on the bed.**