

# Rules for Passive Voice



Rule	Definition	Example
Subject receives the action	This is the opposite of active voice, which is where the subject performs the action. In a passive voice, the subject is the one who is being acted upon.	The table was built by the carpenter.  The subject is "the table" and the verb is "was built"
Verb is in the passive voice form	This is a form of the verb that is used when the subject is receiving the action. The passive voice form is created by adding the verb "to be" to the past participle of the main verb.	The passive voice form of "build" is "to be built," so the passive voice sentence "The table was built by the carpenter."
Agent of the action is optional	The agent of the action is the person or thing that is performing the action.	In the sentence "The table was built by the carpenter.", the agent is "the carpenter." However, the agent is not always included in a passive voice sentence. For example, in the sentence "The leg was broken.", the agent is not included.

## Few Examples of Passive Voice Sentences:

- The book was written by a famous author.
- The car was driven by a reckless driver.
- The cake was baked by my grandmother.
- The report was written by the committee.
- The email was sent by the manager.