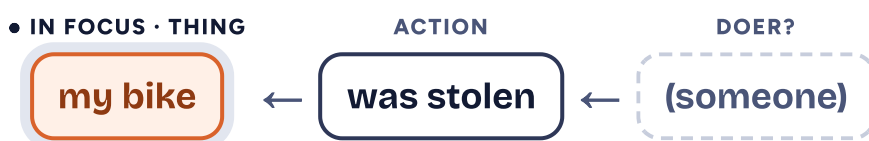


How to Form the Passive

Make the passive with **be + past participle**. The tense goes on *be*: *The bridge **is** built / **was** built / **has been** built / **will be** built*. The thing affected becomes the subject: *Someone stole my bike* → *My bike **was stolen***.

My bike **was stolen** last night.



1. Choose the right answer Circle a or b.

- These cars _____ in Germany.
a) are made b) make
- The letter _____ yesterday.
a) has been sent b) was sent
- The road _____ at the moment, so take another route.
a) is repaired b) is being repaired
- The meeting _____ until next week.
a) has postponed b) has been postponed
- Where _____ you born?
a) were b) was

2. Correct the mistake

Each sentence has one mistake. Write the correct sentence.

1. The house was build in 1920.

2. The accident was happened at night.

3. The report has sent.

3. Your turn

Write three sentences of your own that use this rule. You can use these phrases.

was born

is made of

is called

is located

has been cancelled

is expected to

See the rule move

The full lesson, with more pictures, examples and a quiz that checks your answers, is free at
clarigram.app/passive-voice/form

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1. Choose the right answer

1. **a) are made** The cars don't make anything: passive, are made.
2. **b) was sent** Yesterday is a finished time: Past Simple passive.
3. **b) is being repaired** In progress now: is being + participle.
4. **b) has been postponed** The meeting doesn't postpone anything: has been + participle.
5. **a) were** Born is passive: were you born?

2. Correct the mistake

1. **The house was built in 1920.** The passive needs the past participle: built.
2. **The accident happened at night.** Happen has no object, so it can't be passive.
3. **The report has been sent.** The report didn't send anything: it's passive, has been + participle.

3. Your turn

Answers will vary. Check that each sentence follows the rule on page 1, or paste them into Clarigram to have them checked.