

- The passive voice is usually a form that is used in order to eliminate the subject or in case we don't know or don't want to mention the subject.
- The passive voice can be used with any tense.

Passive voice form: <u>Be</u> + The past participle

The verb be conveys the tense

Examples:

The car was stolen yesterday.

The verb steal in the simple past in the passive voice

The house will be cleaned in the evening.

The verb clean in future simple in the passive voice

The Kids have been punished.

The verb punish in the present perfect in the passive voice

Switching from active to passive steps

- 1. Check if the verb is transitive (requires an object)
- 2. Find the object complement.
- 3. Replace the subject with the object you found.
- 4. Find the past participle of the main verb.
- 5. Put the verb be in the same tense of the main verb in the active sentence before the past participle.

Example:

- > The teacher gave us a lot of homework.
- We were given a lot of homework.
- > A lot of homework was given to us.