

Active or passive voice?

State whether the following sentences are in the active or passive voice.

1. I was shocked by the news.

Active

Passive

2. His generosity surprised me.

Active

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3. I have my breakfast at 8.30.

Active

Passive

4. I want to become a scientist.

Active

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5. The stones were being thrown by the boys.

Active

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6. The spider was killed by the boy.

Active

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7. My purse has been stolen.

Active

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8. The injured man was taken to the hospital.

Active

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9. I was watching TV.

Active

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10. The mouse was being chased by the cat.

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11. The master punished the boy.

Active

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12. The trainer was breaking in the pony.

Active

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13. A cobbler mends shoes.

Active

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14. Tables and chairs are made by carpenters.

Active

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15. We are impressed with your performance.

Active

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16. Her performance enthralled the audience.

Active

Passive

17. He sells newspapers at railway stations.

Active

Passive

18. She earns 600 dollars a week.

Active

Passive

Answers

1. I was shocked by the news. (Passive voice)

2. His generosity surprised me. (Active voice)

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4. I want to become a scientist. (Active voice)
5. The stones were being thrown by the boys. (Passive voice)
6. The spider was killed by the boy. (Passive voice)
7. My purse has been stolen. (Passive voice)
8. The injured man was taken to the hospital. (Passive voice)
9. I was watching TV. (Active voice)
10. The mouse was being chased by the cat. (Passive voice)
11. The master punished the boy. (Active voice)
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13. A cobbler mends shoes. (Active voice)
14. Tables and chairs are made by carpenters. (Passive voice)
15. We are impressed with your performance. (Passive voice)
16. Her performance enthralled the audience. (Active voice)
17. He sells newspapers at railway stations. (Active voice)
18. She earns 600 dollars a week. (Active voice)