

Passive voice exercise

Sentences are given in the active voice. Change them into the passive.

1. I wrote an essay today. / An essay
..... by me.

- is written
- was written
- has written

2. She gave the beggar a coin. / The beggar
..... a coin.

- is given
- was given
- has given

3. You need sodium bicarbonate for this
experiment. / Sodium bicarbonate
for this experiment.

- is needing
- is needed
- is being needed

4. Bad people hurt good people. / Good people

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..... by bad people.

- hurt
- are hurt
- have hurt

5. Supriya took her mother to the hospital. /
Supriya's mother to the hospital.

- has taken
- was taken
- is taken

6. She threw stones at the dog. / Stones
..... at the dog.

- are thrown
- were thrown
- have been thrown

7. The masons are building the house. / The house
..... by the masons.

- is built
- is being built
- has been built

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8. I am writing a novel. / A novel
..... by me.

is writing

is written

is being written

9. She helped the boy. / The boy
..... by her.

has been helped

was helped

is helped

10. She showed me the photograph. / I
..... the photograph.

am shown

have been shown

was shown

11. Cats chase mice. / Mice by
cats.

chased

are chased

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have chased

12. The pigeon does not make nests. / Nests
..... by the pigeon.

have not been made

are not made

were not made

13. I don't know Michael. / Michael
..... to me.

is not known

has not been known

was not known

Answers

1. An essay was written by me.
2. The beggar was given a coin.
3. Sodium bicarbonate is needed for this experiment.
4. Good people are hurt by bad people.

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5. Supriya's mother was taken to the hospital.
6. Stones were thrown at the dog.
7. The house is being built by the masons.
8. A novel is being written by her.
9. The boy was helped by her.
10. I was shown the photograph. / The photograph was shown to me.
11. Mice are chased by cats.
12. Nests are not made by the pigeon.
13. Michael is not known to me.