

Passive Voice Exercise

Fill in the blanks with an appropriate passive verb form.

1. They appointed him yesterday. / He
..... yesterday.

appointed

was appointed

was appointing

2. She is writing a novel. / A novel
..... by her.

is written

was written

is being written

3. I was cooking dinner. / Dinner
..... by me.

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was cooking

was cooked

was being cooked

4. Open the door. / Let the door

.....

open

opened

be opened

5. Call the first witness. / Let the first witness

.....

be called

called

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be calling

6. The police searched the room. / The room
..... by the police.

searched

was searched

was searching

7. They are counting the votes. / The votes
.....

are counting

are counted

are being counted

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8. They will announce the winner in the afternoon.
/ The winner in the afternoon.

will announce

will be announced

will be announcing

9. Everybody loves him. / He
..... by everybody.

loved

is loved

is being loved

10. They arrested the man for smuggling. / The
man for smuggling.

arrested

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was arrested

was arresting

11. We will have finished the job by Friday. / The job by Saturday.

will have finished

will be finished

will have been finished

12. They beat him. / He by them.

was beaten

was beated

beaten

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Answers

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