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# Aula 1

# **HOLLYWOOD STORIES - PASSIVE VOICE**

**META** 

Demonstrar aos alunos a formação e uso da voz passiva em inglês.

#### **OBJETIVOS**

At the end of this class, it is expected that the students: Ser capaz de identificar a estrutura da voz passiva; Ser capaz de aplicá-la corretamente nas situações apropriadas.

#### PRERREQUISITOS

Ter conhecimento do tempo verbal aprendido anteriormente (voz ativa) para estar apto a fazer uso da voz passiva.

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#### INTRODUCTION

Welcome to our 1st class from Língua Inglesa VI. Hope you have a great time during the following semester and acquire good knowledge from here. The material is designed to provide you with good content with the aim to improve your English Language and so we hope to contribute with theories, concepts and activities in short.

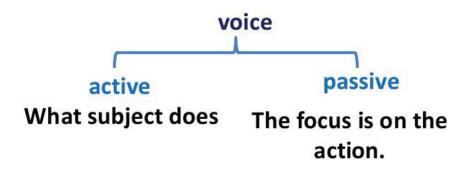
In order to help you to process the form, use and meaning of Passive Voice you will be exposed to situations on it and do exercises to consolidate your learning.

Explanations and activities of this class will contemplate some important situations for its perception as to the usability of the passive voice, you will realize how much it is used in daily activities not only in the English language, but in our mother tongue as well.

Bearing in mind how the usage of Passive Voice works will give you a good comprehension of the distinction between active and passive voice, so read, study and practice all the printed and online exercises. Do not forget that for a good performance in any discipline, dedication is needed.

Off we go! Good study!

## Active and passive voice



# Active : Ram killed Ravan Passive : Ravan was killed by Ram.

Passive Voice. Fonte: https://image.slidesharecdn.com



The Picture is from Hollywood stars in the Red Carpet / Oscar 2017. Fonte:https://s.wsj.net

Let's Travel to Hollywood?! What do you know about this city? Do you like watching movies? If yes, which? Who is your favourite actor/actress? What movie have you seen recently?

What do you know about the Passive Voice? Let's keep a look at the examples below:

The Passive Voice can be used with different tenses and with modal verbs. Firstly, we will begin with the VERB TO BE or GET + PARTICIPLE PAST of the MAIN VERB. According to Murphy (1985), we can use GET in the passive to say that something happens to someone or something. Often the action is not planned; it happens by chance.

Many people are well dressed to see the Oscar.

Their kisses, fights and everyday lives were photographed by paparazzi.

The Grammy Awards Academy was founded by a small group of singers.

Nobody got disappointed with the event.

A famos actor **got hurt** by a paparazzi by chance.

Emma Stone was awarded with an Oscar from La La Lend movie.

**Did** you **get offered** to give an interview at the party? (were you offered an interview?)

The differences and use of active & passive voice should be highlighted here as a matter of showing you up how both work. See below a table from the NGL (National Geographic Learnig) material bringing out differences between Active and Passive Voice. Don't forget to take your notes:

Tense	Active	Passive = Be + Past
		Participle
Simple Present	A committee <b>chooses</b>	The winner is chosen by
	the winner.	a committee
Present Continuous	They are presenting	An award is being pre-
	an award now.	sented now.
Future	They will pick the best	The best movie will be
	movie	picked
	They are going to	The best movie <b>is going</b>
	pick the best movie.	to be picked
Simple Past	They <b>announced</b> the	The winner's name was
	winner's name	announced
Past Continuous	They were interview-	The winners were being
	ing the winners.	interviewed
Present Perfect	They have chosen the	The best movie has been
	best movie.	chosen
Modal	You can see the movie	The movie can be seen
	on DVD	on DVD

The Passive & Active Vo	oice Form:
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EXAMPLES	EXPLANATION
Before 1941, the winners' names	An adverb can be placed between
were already known before the	the auxiliary verb and the main verb.
ceremony.	
Today the winners are never an-	
nounced ahead of time.	
Affirmative: The movie was filmed	Observe affirmative statements,
in the U.S.	negative statements, and questions
Negative: It wasn't filmed in	with the passive voice. Never use do,
Canada.	does, or did with the passive voice.
Yes/No Question: Was it filmed in	(Wrong: The movie <b>didn't</b> filmed
Hollywood?	in Canada.)
Short Answer: No, it wasn't	
Wh-Question: Where was it	
filmed?	
Subject Question: Which movie	
was filmed in Canada?	
Active: She saw him.	Notice the difference in pronouns
Passive: He was seen by her.	in an active sentence and a passive
Active: They helped us.	sentence. After by, the object pro-
Passive: We were helped by them	noun is used.

As you could notice from above both, the active voice and the passive voice can be used with different tenses and with modals too. The tense of the passive sentence is shown in the verb *to be*. Use the past participle with every tense. Observe: If two verbs in the passive voice are connected with *and*, do not repeat *be*.

The Oscar ceremony **is televised and seen** by millions of people. Adapted from the National Geographic Learning / Cengage

Continuing spotting the differences, pay attention to the explanations given above as:

the adverb position in the sentences never use *do*, *does*, or *did* with the passive voice the agent presence followed by the preposition **by** 

ACTIVE	PASSIVE
Active: Steven Spielberg has made	When the sentence has a Strong
many movies.	agent (a specific person: Steven
Passive: Many movies have been	Spielberg, Ralph Lauren), we can
made by Steven Spielberg.	use either the active or the pas-
Active: Ralph Lauren designs	sive voice. The active voice puts
many of the actresses' gowns.	more emphasis on the person who
Passive: Many of the actresses'	performs the action. The passive
gowns are designed by Ralph	voice puts more emphasis on the
Lauren.	action or the result. In general, the
	active voice is more common than
	the passive voice when na agente is
	mentioned.
Active: The first Oscar ceremony	Sometimes the passive voice is used
took place in 1929.	to continue with the same subject of
Passive: It was attended by 250	the preceding sentence.
people.	
Active: The Oscar ceremony is	
popular all over the world.	
Passive: It is seen by millions of view-	
ers each year.	
Active: Steven Spielberg directed	We can use the passive voice to shift
Star Wars, didn't he?	the emphasis to the object of the
Passive: No. Star Wars was di-	preceding sentence.
rected by George Lucas.	

#### TAKE YOUR NOTES

Passive: The dress was designed	We often use the passive voice
by Vera Wang.	when the agent made, discovered,
<b>Passive</b> : The music was composed	invented, designed, built, wrote,
by Bob Dylan.	painted, or composed something.
<b>Passive</b> : The movie projector was	
invented by Thomas Edison.	
The song was written by Randy	When the agente is included, use by
Newman.	+ noun or object pronoun.
It was performed by him too.	

Let's go for more practice:



Fill in the blanks with the passive voice of the verb in parentheses. Use the tense or modal given.

The best actor is given an Oscar. (simp	ble present: <i>give</i> )
1.Many awards ceremonies	by millions of
people. (simple present: see)	
2.Which actor	next year? ¬(future: <i>choose</i> )
3. The movie	at many theaters. (modal:
can / see)	
4. The countdown to Oscar Sunday	and before
we all know it, The Oscar 2018 will be	here. (present perfect: begin)
5. The Last Jedi	by Lucasfilm President Kathleen
Kennedy and Ram Bergman. (simpl pas	st: produce)
6. The movie	on TV many times. (present
perfect: <i>show</i> )	
7. Over 2,000 Academy Awards	
out since 1929. (present perfect: give)	
8. La La Land incorrectly	
a few minutes the error	and Moonlight
the winner. (simp	ple past: announce / simple past:
correct / simple past declare)	
9. How many movies	in black
and white? (present perfect: film)	

Let's still talking about Hollywood.

Do you know Halle Berry? She is a famous actrees who performed Catwoman.



Halle Berry – Catwoman. What kind of sentences can you make in the passive voice by this image? Fonte: https://wallpaperscraft.com.

1. The actress **was given** an Oscar in 2001 in her performance in Monter's Ball.

2. Halle Berry had presented an Oscar.

3. Halle Berry had been seen in many movies.

4. Many movies were made in Hollywood.

5. Old movies were being filmed in black and White.

6. The actreess **was involved** in a hit-and-run accident that became a scandal.

As you can notice from the table and examples above the Passive Voice is more formal than Active one.

Passive Voice is used when we don't know who has practiced the action or such information is nor relevant.

In a passive clause if we want to mention the agent – the person, or thing that does the action or causes what happens, we usually use a phrase beginning with **by**.

At the 89th Academy Awards the Oscar winner for best actor was anounced by Brie Larson.

I was shocked **by** the final result for the best picture at the 89th Academy Awards.

Now, take a look at the following table and notice the examples from it. Don't forget to take your notes and answer the activities.

EXAMPLES	EXPLANATION
The invitations have been sent out.	The passive voice is used when it
The winners' names are placed in	is not important to mention who
envelopes.	performed the action.
А.	The passive voice is used when
Active: Someone stole my wallet.	we do not know the agent (A) or
Passive: My wallet was stolen	when we prefer not to mention the
last week.	agent (B).
В.	
Active: Someone told me that you	
like movies.	
<b>Passive</b> : I was <b>told</b> that you like	
movies.	
a. One person <b>is chosen</b> to receive	The passive voice is used when the
the award.	agent is obvious and doesn't need
b. Oscar night has been televised	to be mentioned.
since 1953	a. It is obvious that the Acad-
	emy chooses the winner.
	b. It is obvious that TV sta-
	tions have televised Oscar night.
Compare Active (A) and Passive (P):	In conversation, the active voice
A: You can rent DVDs at many	is often used with the impersonal
stores.	subjects people, you, we, or they.In
P: DVDs can be rented at many	more formal speech and writing, the
stores.	passive is used with no agent.
A: They sell popcorn in movie	
theaters.	
P: Popocorn is sold in movie the-	
aters	

The Passive Voice without an agent

Were you able to identify the difference between the Active and the Passive Voice? We are sure you did it well!!

#### FOOD FOR THOUGHT:

Is the Passive Voice used more with or without an agent? Let's keep going and do some practice!!

Fill in the blanks with the Passive Voice of the verb in parentheses (). Choose an appropriate tense.

Example: Hollywood was built in the early 1900s. (build)

1. Most American movies	in Hollywood. (make)
2. Let's get some popcorn. It's fresh. It	right
now. (make)	
3. Movie listings	in the newspaper.
(can/find)	
4. Children	to see some movies.
(not/allow)	
5. Hurry! The winners	in ten minutes.
(announce)	
6. In 1929, only fifteen Oscars	
(present)	
7. Before 1941, the winners' names	(publish)
in.	

## The Passive Voice with an Agent:

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Fill in the blanks with the passive voice of the verb in parentheses (). Use the tense indicated.

The movie was filmed in black and white. (past: film)

 1.It \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ again on TV tonight. (future: show)

 2.Steven Spielberg \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ many movies (present

perfect: make)

3.Computer animation \_\_\_\_\_\_in many movies. (present:use)

1.Passive is also used when we want to focus on some happenings or who or what has suffered the action. In some news, headlines, warnings, technical and scientific texts it's commonly used.

English spoken.

John, my roomate got hurt in the accident.

A new actor **will be hired** to the film.

(Adapted from English Grammar in Steps, Richmond Publishing.)

2. Passive with two objects:

Many verbs such as **give, send, show, lend**, can de followed by two objects, an 'indirect object' and a 'direct object'. They usually refer to a person (indirect object) and a thing (direct object). Based on Swan 1995, two structures are possible:

A. Verb + indirect object + direct object = They gave me a prize.
B. Verb+direct object+ preposition+indirect object = She gave the prize to her sister

Both of these structures can be made passive:

A. Indirect object becomes subject of passive verb = I was given a prize.B. Direct object becomes subject of passive verb = A prize was given to me.

Verbs with two objects

EXAMPLES	EXPLANATION
I.O D.O	When an active sentence has two
	objects, the passive sentence can
Active: They gave Spielberg an	begin with either object. Notice
award.	that if the direct object (an award)
Passive 1: Spielberg was given an	becomes the subject of the passive
award.	sentence, to is used before the
Passive 2: Na award was given to	indirect object.
Spielberg.	
Language Note: Some verbs that use two objects are:	
bring lend p	ay serve teach
give offer se	ll show tell
hand owe se	end take write

## AN OVERVIEW OF PASSIVE VERSUS ACTIVE VERB USE:

EXAMPLES		EXPLANATIONS
ACTIVE VERBS	PASSIVE VERBS	We often use passive instead of active in the following contexts:
(agent) (a) <b>The brain</b> retains (recipinet) I n f o r m a t i o n temporarily in short- term memory.	(recipient) (b) <b>Information is</b> retained (agent)	When we want to focus on the receiver of an action (recipient) rather than the performer (agent) of the action. We do this by making the recipiente the gramatical subject. We may express the agent in a <i>by</i> -phrase following the verb.
(c) I <b>asked</b> the subjet to look at the word list for one minute.	(d)The subject <b>was</b> <b>asked</b> to look at the word list for one minute.	When the agent is less important than the recipient of an action. In reporting research procedure, for example, we do not need to refer to the researcher.

(e) The subject wrote	(f) The subject wrote	When the agent is
down all the words she	down all the words she	obvious from the
could remember. She	could remember. A	context.
recalled a number of	total of thirteen words	
thirteen words	were recalled.	
(g) It appears that	(h) It appears that the	When the agent is
something is altering	rats' brain cells are	unknown.
the rats' brain cells.	being altered.	
(i) The reasearcher who	(j) Several major erros	When we want to avoid
did this study have	have been made in	mentioning the agent.
made several major	analyzing the data.	Analyzing the dataFor
erros in analysing the		example, we may not
data.		want to say who is
		responsible for some
		wrongdoing or mistake.



Ronald Reagan. Reagan was an actor and became President of the USA. Fonte: https://duanegraham.files.wordpress.com

Let's talk about one famous Hollywood actor who became president: Ronald Reagan. Fill in the blanks with the Active or Passive form of the verb in parentheses ( ). Use the past tense.

Ronald Reagan was elected president of the United States in 1980. Before he became

(example: elect) (example: become)

president, he was governor of California. Even before that, he \_\_\_\_\_\_ as a Hollywood actor.

(1 work)

Не	_in 53 Hollywood movies between 1937
and 1964. He	-
(2 appear)	(3 not/consider)
a great actor, and he never	an Oscar. On
March 20, 1981, the day the Osca	r ceremony
(4 win)	
	_to take place, something terrible
Reaga	
(5 schedule)	(6 happen) (7 shoot)
in an assassin	ation attempt. Fortunately, he
fro	om his wounds.
(8 past: not/die)	
One of his aides, who was with h	im at the time,
Out of respect for the president,	the
(9 also/wound)	
Academy Awards ceremony	for one day, Reagan
(10 postpone) (11 recover	er)
and continued to serve as presiden	t until hehis
second term in 1989.	
(12 finish)	
He in 2004 at the age of 93.	
(13 die)	

We are getting to the end! As we worked on the Hollywood context we will sum up the lesson instead with other stars quotations, who left a great contribution to our society. They were extracted from a blog named http://englishstandarts.blogspot.com.br/2012/06/passive-voice-textsproverbs-and.html (last access April If you are curious enough access it.

#### CONCLUSION

Alguns fatos das estrelas de Hollywood foram apresentados aqui através do uso da voz passiva e em algum momento a presença da voz ativa também. As diferenças entre ambos e o uso dos tempos verbais em cada situação permitem perceber quando é necessário ou não a presença de agentes, objetos diretos ou indiretos. Os pontos apresentados através das tabelas com as mudanças na estrutura das sentenças demonstra as diferenças entre a voz passiva e ativa. Estude e pratique para que se aproprie do conteúdo apresentado. Pesquise a gramática de Raymond Murphy. Aula



Falar sobre a voz passiva sem falar sobre a voz ativa é absolutamente impossível. É importante saber como ambos funcionam, de modo que ambos foram mostrados aqui, no entanto com foco na voz passiva. Aprendemos sobre a estrutura da voz passiva e como utilizá-la.



Sou capaz de fazer uso da Voz Passiva? Ser fazer uma correlação com a minha realidade usando a voz passiva? Sei diferenciar voz a tiva e passiva? Fiz as atividades sugeridas?



Na próxima aula aprenderemos a forma Causativa: Have & Get.Nós usamos um verbo causativo quando queremos falar sobre algo que alguém fez por nós. Em geral, quando aprendemos uma segunda língua nós a adquirimos, mas muitas vezes não sabemos porque e para que algumas expressões são usadas. A presença de Have & Get em inglês é muito usada. Por isso, vamos nos concentrar nela para saber quando e por que eles são usados.

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