



Exercise 1:

Which of these sentences are in the passive form.

- 1 They are pulling down the old factory.
- 2 Students must not leave bicycles in the hall.
- 3 This door must be kept shut.
- 4 They gave him a watch.
- 5 Children under sixteen will not be admitted.

Exercise 2:

Rewrite the sentences in Passive voice.

1. The policemen help the children.

2. The manager sends the secretary to the post office.

3. Sarah will look after her little brother.

4. The robber broke our window.

5. We have cleaned the car.

6. My parents offered me a bike for my birthday.





THE PASSIVE VOICE

Exercise 3:

Fill in the correct form of the passive into the gap. (Mind the tense written in brackets.)

1. The words _____ by the teacher.
(to explain - Simple Present)
2. My car _____ while I was gardening.
(to steal – Past Simple)
3. A new restaurant _____ next week.
(to open – Future)
4. Our street _____ because of snow.
(to close – Present Perfect)

Exercise 4:

Complete the sentences (**Active or Passive Voice**). You must either use the Simple Present or the Past Simple.

The Statue of Liberty

The Statue of Liberty _____ (give) to the United States by France. It _____ (be) a present on the 100th anniversary of the United States. The Statue of Liberty _____ (design) by Frederic Auguste Bartholdi. It _____ (complete) in France in July 1884. In 350 pieces, the statue then _____ (ship) to New York, where it _____ (arrive) on 17th June 1885. The pieces _____ (put) together and the opening ceremony _____ (take) place on 28th October 1886. The Statue of Liberty _____ (be) 46 m high (93 m including the base). The statue _____ (represent) the goddess of liberty. She _____ (hold) a torch in her right hand and a tablet in her left hand. On the tablet, the date of the Declaration of Independence (4th July, 1776) _____ (can / see). Every year, the Statue of Liberty _____ (visit) by millions of people from all over the world.

