

Passive Sentences (Present Tense)

• We use the Passive:

- * when the action is more important than the agent (the person who does the action.)
- * when the performer of the action is not important or not known.
- * when the performer is people in general.

Passive Form		
I	am	V ₃
He She It	is	
You We They	are	

am/is/are + V3 + (by) - We form a Passive sentence with the verb be and the **past participle** (V₃) of the main verb of the active sentence. If we want to say who does the action, we use **by**.

- People celebrate **Tomorrowland Festival** every June.
Tomorrowland Festival is celebrated every June.
- They show **new movies** at the festival.
New movies are shown at the festival.
- Millions of tourists visit **The Taj Mahal** every year.
The Taj Mahal is visited by millions of tourist every year.
- Children perform **folk dances** at the festival.
Folk dances are performed at the festival.

1 Fill in the table.

	The Present Simple (V ₁)	The Simple Past (V ₂)	Past Participle (V ₃)
1	see		
2	meet		
3	go		
4	give		
5	eat		
6	visit		
7	take		
8	speak		
9	find		
10	do		
11	have		
12	read		

	The Present Simple (V ₁)	The Simple Past (V ₂)	Past Participle (V ₃)
13	grow		
14	sell		
15	make		
16	drive		
17	swim		
18	know		
19	tell		
20	buy		
21	lose		
22	hear		
23	drink		
24	sleep		

2 Read the sentences and decide if the sentences are **active** or **passive**.

ooo — X

1. We celebrate festivals to remember important historical events.
a. active b. passive

ooo — X

2. Helen cleans her room every Saturday.
a. active b. passive

ooo — X

3. Special meals are cooked at the festival.
a. active b. passive

ooo — X

4. We celebrate national and religious festivals in Turkiye.
a. active b. passive

ooo — X

5. Turkish Republic Day is celebrated on 29th October every year.
a. active b. passive

ooo — X

6. Schools and houses are decorated with flags.
a. active b. passive

ooo — X

7. Turkish people cook every single vegetable in the world.
a. active b. passive

ooo — X

8. Football is played in almost everywhere in the World.
a. active b. passive

3 Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verbs in brackets in simple present passive.

- English _____ (speak) in many countries.
- The post _____ (deliver) at about 7 o'clock every morning.
- My salary _____ (pay) every month
- These smartphones _____ (not make) in Japan.
- The animals _____ (feed) three times a day.
- Our travel expenses _____ (not pay) by his company.
- This programme _____ (watch) by millions of people.
- Istanbul _____ (visit) by thousands of tourists every year.

4 Rewrite each sentence using passive voice for simple present tense.

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1. The farmer grows apples in his field.

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2. Policemen catch and arrest thieves and robbers.

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3. Many people know Tarkan in the world.

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4. Mrs. Forest milks her cow twice a day.

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5. Everyone in this class loves and respects Martin.

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6. They make shoes in that factory.

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7. Thousands of people celebrate the festival every year.

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8. The gardener waters the flowers two times a week.

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9. Turkish people usually drink tea at breakfast.

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10. Postmen deliver the letters every day.

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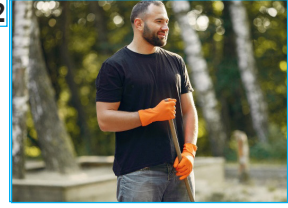
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11. People cut down trees every day.

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12. Mr. Carter cleans our street every morning.

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5 Make passive forms from the given phrases.

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| 1. English - to speak | English is spoken. |
| 2. Films - to watch | _____ |
| 3. Stories - to tell | _____ |
| 4. Computers games - to buy | _____ |
| 5. Football - to play | _____ |
| 6. Photos - to take | _____ |
| 7. Meals - to cook | _____ |
| 8. Animals - to feed | _____ |

6 Match the questions with the correct answers.

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Where is the PizzaFest celebrated? | a. On Biletix application. |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> What are the participants given before the festival? | b. At the end of June. |
| 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Which language is spoken in The USA? | c. More than 500,000. |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> When is Children's Day celebrated in Turkey? | d. On April 23. |
| 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Where is the Youth and Sports day celebrated? | e. They are given information about the fees. |
| 6. <input type="checkbox"/> Where are the tickets for the concert sold? | f. English is spoken. |
| 7. <input type="checkbox"/> How many smartphones are sold in a year in Turkey? | g. In Italy. |
| 8. <input type="checkbox"/> When is Kırkpınar Oil Wrestling Fest held? | h. In Turkey. |

7 Circle the correct option.

1. We are very lucky. Our meals - - - - by my father every day.

- a) prepare b) are preparing c) are prepared

2. Topkapı Palace - - - - by more than 2 million people every year.

- a) is visited b) visits c) visited

3. Coffee - - - - in Colombia by farmers.

- a) grew b) is grown
c) growing

4. The tickets of the concert - - - - online.

- a) bought b) is buying
c) are bought