

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.

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is needing

is needed

is being needed

4. Bad people hurt good people. / Good people
..... 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

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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

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

is writing

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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

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11. Cats chase mice. / Mice by cats.

chased

are chased

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

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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.
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.

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