Passive Voice Exercise

Can you use the passive voice correctly? Take a moment to do this exercise.

Fill in the blanks with an appropriate passive verb form.

1. They are painting the walls. (Active) / The walls (Passive)

are painting

are being painted

are painted

2. He closed the door. (Active) / The door by him. (Passive)

has closed

was being closed

was closed

3. The loan recovery officials sealed the house. (Active) / The house by the loan

recovery officials. (Passive)

was sealed

was being sealed

has been sealed

4. I have cleaned the carpets. (Active) / The carpets (Passive)

are cleaned

have been cleaned

had been cleaned

5. I had sent the parcel in the morning. (Active) / The parcel in the morning. (Passive)

had been sent

have been sent

was sent

6. You should post this letter. (Active) / This letter (Passive)

should be posting

should be posted

should have posted

7. They will announce the results tomorrow. (Active) / The results tomorrow. (Passive)

will be announced

will be announcing

will announced

8. I have fed the dog. (Active) / The dog (Passive)

has been fed

was fed

had been fed

9. We will have finished the work by Monday. (Active) / The work by Monday. (Passive)

will have been finishing

will be finished

will have been finished

10. The reporter is announcing the news. (Active) / The news (Passive)

is being announcing

was announced

is being announced

11. They took the patient to the hospital in an ambulance. (Active) / The patient to the hospital in an ambulance. (Passive)

was taking

was taken

had been taken

12. I bought food at the restaurant. (Active) / Food at the restaurant. (Passive)

had bought

was bought

has been bought

Passive Voice Exercise

Answers

1. They are painting the walls. (Active) / The walls are being painted. (Passive)

2. He closed the door. (Active) / The door was closed by him. (Passive)

3. The loan recovery officials sealed the house. (Active) / The house was sealed by the loan recovery officials. (Passive)

4. I have cleaned the carpets. (Active) / The carpets have been cleaned. (Passive)

5. I had sent the parcel in the morning. (Active) / The parcel had been sent in the morning. (Passive)

6. You should post this letter. (Active) / This letter should be posted. (Passive)

7. They will announce the results tomorrow. (Active) / The results will be announced tomorrow. (Passive)

8. I have fed the dog. (Active) / The dog has been fed. (Passive)

9. We will have finished the work by Monday. (Active) / The work will have been finished by Monday. (Passive)

10. The reporter is announcing the news. (Active) / The news is being announced. (Passive)

11. They took the patient to the hospital in an ambulance. (Active) / The patient was taken to the hospital in an ambulance. (Passive)

12. I bought food at the restaurant. (Active) / Food was bought at the restaurant. (Passive)