

Passive Construction

When using the passive voice, we are interested in what happened, not who did it Make the passive with the verb be in the tense required followed by the past participle

Examples

- 1. Rice **is grown** in China.
- 2. My computer **is being repaired** at the moment.
- 3. The thief was arrested.
- 4. All mistakes have been rectified.
- 5. Harry might **have been involved** in an accident.
- 6. Applications must **be received** before the end of the year.

The passive is used when the more important information is:

- 1. What happened to the subject I've been robbed!
- 2. Who or what carried out the action Guernica was painted by Picasso.
- 3. How the action was carried out the concerto was played beautifully.
- 4. When the doer is unknown this house was built in 1845.