

Rephrasing Passive Voice

Rewrite these sentences so their meaning doesn't change, the beginning is given

1. A jeep picked up the soldiers from the base.
The soldiers...were picked up from the base by a jeep.
2. We ought to invite Susan to the party.
Susan...should be invited to the party.
3. The police took the angry youth away.
The angry...youth was taken away.
4. Food is being eaten right now in this class.
They...are eating right now in this class.
5. People think pollution is not a minor problem.
Pollution...is thought not to be a minor problem / Pollution isn't thought to be a minor problem.
6. All the victims were being taken to hospital.
Ambulances...were taking the victims to hospital.
7. The hairdresser was cutting Martha's hair.
Martha...was having her hair cut.
8. Shoes have been made here for nearly 50 years.
They...have made shoes here for nearly 50 years.
9. The teacher had completed our report cards.
We...have had our report cards completed by the teacher.
10. Mum didn't cook dinner because she was very tired.
Dinner...wasn't cooked by mum because she was very tired.

Rewrite using passive voice

1. A famous architect built our block of flats in 1982.

-Our block of flats...

2. People eat a lot of burgers nowadays in the USA.

A lot of burgers...

3. Someone has designed these earrings in Italy.

This earrings...

4. Farmers don't grow tea in Britain.

Tea...

5. People don't often use horses for transport now.

Horses...

6. People send millions of emails every day.

Millions of...

7. The Beatles didn't record this song.

This song...

8. People didn't eat potatoes in Europe until the 17th century.

Potatoes...

9. The parents won't meet the children at the airport after their trip to Rome.

The children...

10. A dangerous driver caused the accident.

The accident...

11. The manager will watch the new players.

The new players...

12. People saw the race all over the world.

The race...

13. Lots of people signed the petition.

The petition...

14. He won't complete the sculpture in two weeks.

The sculpture...

15. They have sold many paintings since last week.

A lot of paintings...

16. Will they send the letter tomorrow?

Will...

17. Has the mother fed her baby girl yet?

Has...

18. They must interview Sandra tomorrow.

Sandra...

19. They should paint the house in the summer.

The house...

20. How did Fleming discover penicillin?

How...

21. A doctor took out her tonsils when she was six.

She...

22. A local firm redecorated our kitchen.

We...

23. Be careful! These walls have just been painted.

Be careful!. I...

24. The hairdresser should cut your hair. It's too long and untidy!

You...

25. When I was coming here, someone stole my purse on the bus.

I...

26. It is said that this orchestra is the best in the world.

This orchestra... *is said to be* the best in the world.

27. It is believed that the thieves have left the country.

The thieves... *are believed to have left* the country.

28. He is known to be making a lot of money.

It is... *known that he is making* a lot of money.

29. It is expected that they will arrive in time for dinner.

They...

30. She is said to know a lot about gardening.

It is ...

31. It is believed that we are able to win the competition.

We are...

32. It is reported that the government has reached a decision.

The government...

33. She is expected to break the world record.

It ...

34. It is known that he has several foreign bank accounts.

He is...

35. It is reported that they have financial problems.

They ...

36. Someone dry-cleans his suits every month.

His suits..

37. **The newspapers reported that he won the jackpot.**

He...

