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ACTIVE & PASSIVE: NOTES

Grammar Review #4

ACTIVE VOICE = the _____ of the sentence _____ the action

PASSIVE VOICE = the _____ of the sentence _____ the action

EXAMPLE #1:

ACTIVE **➡** The audience gave Octavius a huge hand after the recital.

PASSIVE **➡** A huge hand was given to Octavius by the audience after the recital.

EXAMPLE #2:

ACTIVE **➡** Cousin Wainwright wears underwear that's too tight.

PASSIVE **➡** Underwear that's too tight is worn by Cousin Wainwright.

ACTIVE	PASSIVE
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• _____ sentence• _____ direct• _____ wordy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• _____ sentence• _____ direct• _____ wordy<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Main verb requires a _____ verb○ Performer of the action is inside a _____

When to use the PASSIVE VOICE...

REASON #1 **➡** The performer of the action is unknown

➤ Attention all shoppers! A finger was found in the power tools department.

REASON #2 **➡** The performer isn't the most important element of the sentence

➤ Orpal's scorpion has been found, so the class can relax.

REASON #3 **➡** Hide blame

➤ Mistakes have been made.

Directions: Rewrite the following sentences by changing the verb from passive to active.

PRACTICE #1 Indigestion was suffered by several guests after someone found a mildewed shoe in the fondue.

PRACTICE #2 An air guitar was given to Billy by his parents for his birthday, but he cried because the box was empty.

PRACTICE #3 In a tragic accident, a concussion was suffered by Fifi when her doggy door stuck shut.
