

Book: Passages 1	Level: 10 th	Unit: 7
Objective: Using the passive with the present continuous, present perfect and future.		



We use the Passive when the subject is unimportant or irrelevant and we want to stress the thing done instead of the doer of the action, such as:

The castle was built in 1226 .

When we move from the active into the passive, the preposition "by" is placed in front of the person carrying out the action:

The throne was built by the master carpenter.

Structures:

PRESENT CONTINUOUS (PROGRESSIVE) Passive form: am / is / are + being + past participle	
Active: Present Continuous I <u>am helping</u> Shannon. June <u>is helping</u> Su and Ling.	Passive: Present Continuous Shannon <u>is being helped</u> by me. Su and Ling <u>are being helped</u> by June.

PRESENT PERFECT Passive form: have / has been + past participle	
Active: Present Perfect I <u>have mailed</u> the gift. Jack <u>has mailed</u> the gifts.	Passive: Present Perfect The gift <u>has been mailed</u> by me. The gifts <u>have been mailed</u> by Jack.

FUTURE TENSES

Passive forms: will + be + past participle
is / are going to be + past participle

Active: Future with WILL

I will mail the gift.
Jack will mail the gifts.

Passive: Future with WILL

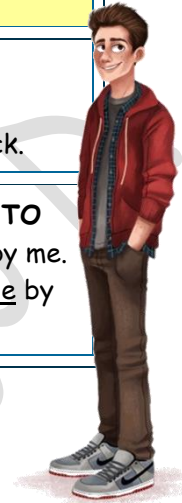
The gift will be mailed by me.
The gifts will be mailed by Jack.

Active: Future with GOING TO

I am going to make the cake.
Sue is going to make two cakes.

Passive: Future with GOING TO

The cake is going to be made by me.
Two cakes are going to be made by Sue.



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