

THEORY:

Future simple – passive

There are several reasons as to why we use the passive [voice](#) in English. In these notes, we're going to focus on the **future simple** in the passive voice and its elaborations. Generally, we use the passive when the focus is on the action and **NOT** on WHO or WHAT is performing the action.

Construction: will + be + past participle

Example verb: carry

I will be carried We will be carried
You will be carried You (guys) will be carried
He/she/it will be carried They will be carried

(1) The [subject](#) is unknown, therefore, we don't know who or what is the subject.

- The future of great art like the Mona Lisa **will be done** by artists of which I cannot name.
- I wish I knew my bride that I'll **be married to**.

(2) We use the passive to [emphasise](#) the subject.

- Henry **will be chosen** to represent Great Britain in the Olympics next year. (The [emphasis](#) is on **Henry**, hence, the passive).
- Mark **will be selected** for the championships.

(3) We use the passive to talk about general truths.

- The laws of physics **will soon be altered** when we provide these mathematical proofs.
- Quantum mechanics **won't be changed** at all.

(4) We can use the passive if we want to be unclear or vague about the subject.

- Experiments **will be realised**, that's all I can say for now.
- Results **will be achieved**.
- Mistakes **shall be made...**

(5) We use the passive when the subject is irrelevant. (We don't care who or what has caused the action to be).

- The new oil rig **will be built** by the end of this month.
- Somebody **will be finished** with my work when I'm done, and I don't care who.

(6) We use the passive in a more formal atmosphere like a thesis or an important piece of writing, especially scientifically speaking.

- By the conclusion of this thesis, adequate results **will be met** with evidence.
- Having looked at the math, results **will be drawn** from this conclusion.

PRACTICE:

8. Rewrite the sentences below. Use the Passive.

1. Low prices attract many people.
2. The shop will give free samples tomorrow.
3. That advertising campaign didn't tempt him to buy the product.
4. They won't change the shop display until Friday.
5. No one told me about the low prices on the mobile phones.
6. Do advertising agencies use special strategies?

9. Complete the text with the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Use Present Simple Passive, Past Simple Passive and Future Simple Passive

SHOPPING IN THE FUTURE

Hundreds of years ago, most goods ¹... (sell) at markets and in small shops . The first indoor mall in the USA ²... (open) in Minnesota in 1956, and that was the beginning of huge changes in the way shopping ³... (do). Today, huge malls ⁴... (find) in almost every big city and more and more people ⁵... (tempt) by the wide range of products for sale on the Internet. So what changes ⁶... (make) in the way we shop in the future? Of course, no one knows for certain, but we can certainly guess. It seems clear that smartphones ⁷... (use) more frequently for shopping. Soon, bills ⁸... probably (calculate) automatically as we shop, and cash checkouts ⁹... (not need). Some experts believe that we will walk through virtual shops in the same way we walk through real shops today. We ¹⁰... (help) by virtual shop assistants, but don't worry – only real products ¹¹... (sell) !

SOLUTIONS:

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1. Many people are attracted by low prices.
2. Free samples will be given by the shop tomorrow.
3. He wasn't tempted to buy the product by that advertising campaign to buy the product.
4. The shop display won't be changed until Friday.
5. I wasn't told about the low prices on the mobile phones.
6. Are special strategies used by advertising agencies?

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1. were sold
2. was opened
3. was done
4. are found
5. are tempted
6. will be made
7. will be used
8. will ...be calculated
9. won't be needed
10. will be helped
11. will be sold