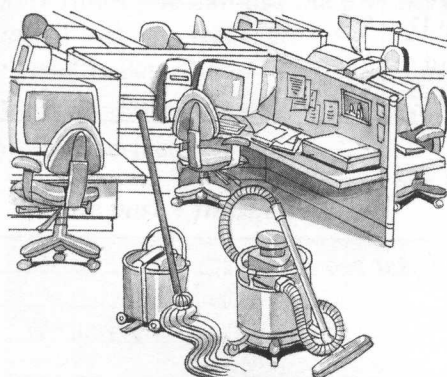


A



The office is cleaned every day.

The office was cleaned yesterday.

Compare *active* and *passive*:

Somebody cleans **the office** every day. (*active*)

The office is cleaned every day. (*passive*)

Somebody cleaned **the office** yesterday. (*active*)

The office was cleaned yesterday. (*passive*)

B

The passive is:

Past participle

Simple present

am/is/are

(not)

cleaned

done

Simple past

was/were

invented

built

injured

taken, etc.

The *past participle* of regular verbs is -ed (cleaned/damaged, etc.).

For a list of irregular past participles (done/built/taken, etc.), see Appendixes 2–3.

- Butter is **made** from cream.
- Oranges are **imported** into Canada.
- How often are these rooms **cleaned**?
- I **am** never **invited** to parties.
- This house **was built** 100 years ago.
- These houses **were built** 100 years ago.
- When **was** the telephone **invented**?
- We **weren't invited** to the party last week.
- "Was anybody **injured** in the accident?" "Yes, two people **were taken** to the hospital."

C

was/were born

- I **was born** in Los Angeles in 1981. (*not* I am born)
- Where **were you born**?

D

Passive + by . . .

- We were woken up **by a loud noise**. (= The noise woke us up.)
- The telephone was invented **by Alexander Graham Bell** in 1876.
- My brother was bitten **by a dog** last week.

22.1 Write sentences with the words in parentheses (). Sentences 1-7 are present.

1. (the office / clean / every day) *The office is cleaned every day.*
2. (these rooms / clean / every day?) *Are these rooms cleaned every day?*
3. (glass / make / from sand) Glass _____
4. (stamps / sell / in a post office) _____
5. (this word / not / use / very often) _____
6. (we / allow / to park here?) _____
7. (how / this word / pronounce?) _____

Sentences 8-14 are past.

8. (the office / clean / yesterday) *The office was cleaned yesterday.*
9. (the house / paint / last month) The house _____
10. (three people / injure / in the accident) _____
11. (my bicycle / steal / a few days ago) _____
12. (when / this bridge / build?) _____
13. (you / invite / to the party last week?) _____
14. (I / not / wake up / by the noise) _____

22.2 Correct these sentences.

1. This house built 100 years ago. *This house was built 100 years ago.*
2. Soccer plays in most countries of the world. _____
3. Why did the letter send to the wrong address? _____
4. A garage is a place where cars repair. _____
5. Where are you born? _____
6. How many languages are speaking in Canada? _____
7. Somebody broke into our house, but nothing stolen. _____
8. When was invented the bicycle? _____

22.3 Complete the sentences. Use the passive (present or past) of these verbs:

~~clean~~ damage find give invite make make show steal take

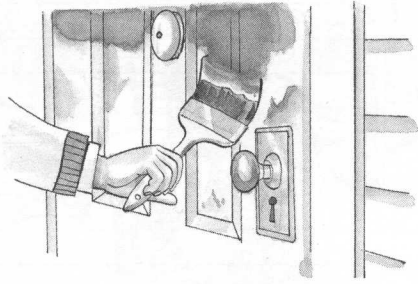
1. The room *is cleaned* _____ every day.
2. I saw an accident yesterday. Two people *were taken* _____ to the hospital.
3. Paper _____ from wood.
4. There was a fire at the hotel last week. Two of the rooms _____.
5. "Where did you get this picture?" "It _____ to me by a friend of mine."
6. Many British programs _____ on American television.
7. "Did Jim and Sue go to the wedding?" "No. They _____, but they didn't go."
8. "How old is this movie?" "It _____ in 1965."
9. My car _____ last week, but the next day it _____ by the police.

22.4 Where were they born?

1. (Makoto / Kyoto) *Makoto was born in Kyoto.*
2. (Isabel / São Paulo) Isabel _____
3. (her parents / Rio de Janeiro) Her _____
4. (you / ???) I _____
5. (your mother / ???) _____

A

is/are being . . . (*present continuous passive*)



Somebody is painting the door. (*active*)

The door is being painted. (*passive*)

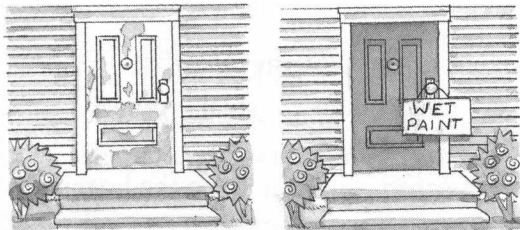
- I took the bus this morning. My car is being repaired. (= somebody is repairing it)
- Some new houses are being built across from the park. (= somebody is building them)

Compare the *present continuous* and *simple present*:

- The office is being cleaned right now. (*present continuous*)
The office is cleaned every day. (*simple present*)
- In the U.S., football games are usually shown on TV on Mondays, but no games are being shown next Monday.

B

has/have been . . . (*present perfect passive*)



before

now

Somebody has painted the door. (*active*)

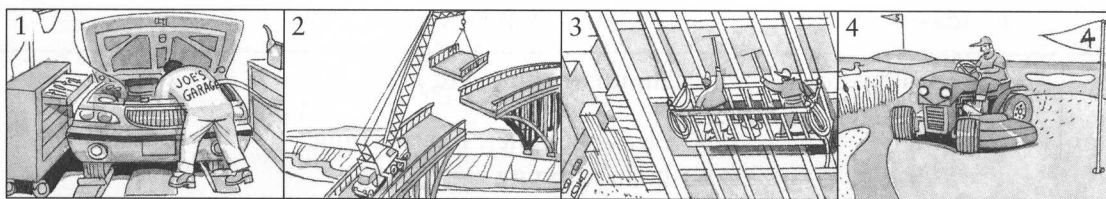
The door has been painted. (*passive*)

- My key has been stolen. (= somebody has stolen it)
- My keys have been stolen. (= somebody has stolen them)
- I'm not going to the party. I haven't been invited. (= nobody has invited me)
- Has this window been washed? (= Has somebody washed it?)

Compare the *present perfect* and *simple past*:

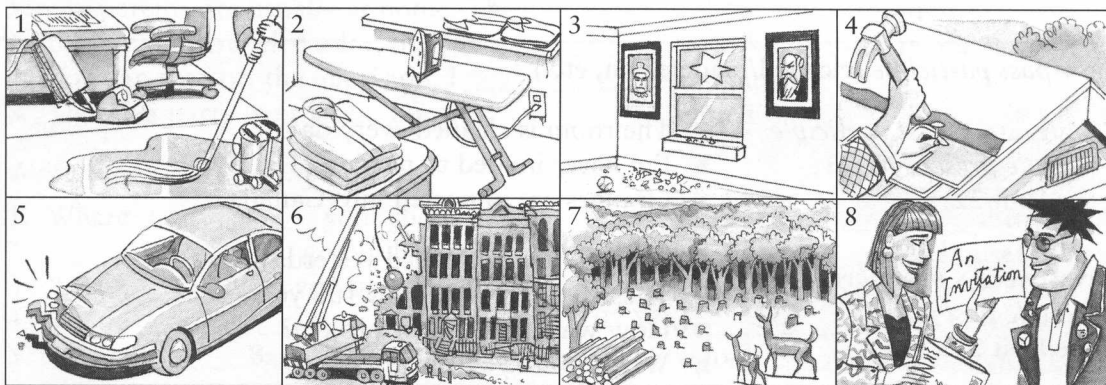
- The room is clean now. It has been cleaned. (*present perfect*)
The room was cleaned yesterday. (*simple past*)
- I can't find my keys. I think they've been stolen. (*present perfect*)
My keys were stolen last week. (*simple past*)

23.1 What's happening?



1. The car *is being repaired* . 3. The windows _____ .
 2. A bridge _____ . 4. The grass _____ .

23.2 Look at the pictures. What is happening or what has happened? Use the present continuous (*is/are being* . . .) or the present perfect (*has/have been* . . .).



1. (the office / clean) *The office is being cleaned.*
 2. (the shirts / iron) *The shirts have been ironed.*
 3. (the window / break) The window _____ .
 4. (the roof / repair) The roof _____ .
 5. (the car / damage) _____ .
 6. (the buildings / knock / down) _____ .
 7. (the trees / cut / down) _____ .
 8. (they / invite / to a party) _____ .

23.3 Use the words in parentheses () to complete the sentences. (Study Unit 22 first.)

- I can't use my office right now. It *is being painted* . (paint)
- We didn't go to the party. We *weren't invited* . (not / invite)
- The washing machine was broken, but it's OK now.
It _____ . (repair)
- The washing machine _____ yesterday afternoon. (repair)
- A factory is a place where things _____ . (make)
- How old are these houses? When _____ ? (they / build)
- A: _____ right now? (the computer / use)
B: Yes, Jim is using it.
- I've never seen these flowers before. What _____ ? (they / call)
- My sunglasses _____ at the beach yesterday. (steal)
- The bridge is closed. It _____ last week and it _____ yet. (damage) (not / repair)