GRAMMAR

THE PASSIVE VOICE



SITE SAFETY NOTICE



is prohibited



are advised



must be worn ...



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Unauthorised entry to this site is strictly prohibited

WARNING CONSTRUCTION IN PROGRESS

Parents are advised to warn children of the dangers

of entering construction sites

- 1. All visitors must report to site office,
- 2. Permission must be obtained before entering the site or any work area.
- 3. Safety signs and procedures must be observed.
- 4. Personal protection and safety equipment must be used at all times.
- 5. All persons entering this site must comply with the regulations under the Health & Safety at Work Act 1989.

Safety helmets must be worn

Protective footwear must be worn





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to be + past participle (3rd form)

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WHY THE PASSIVE?

- Paint is applied in the last production step.
- My hard hat has been stolen.
- I had a talk with my production manager yesterday. I was asked a lot of difficult questions.

TENSES - PRESENT SIMPLE

• The engineers develop a prototype.

A prototype is developed.

TENSES - PRESENT PERFECT

The engineers have developed a prototype.
 A prototype has been developed.

TENSES - PRESENT CONTINUOUS

The engineers are developing a prototype.
 A prototype is being developed.

TENSES - PAST TENSE

The engineers developed a prototype
 A prototype was developed.

TENSES - WILL FUTURE

The engineers will develop a prototype.
 A prototype will be developed.

TENSES - GOING TO

The engineers are going to develop a prototype.

A prototype is going to be developed.

TENSES - MODALS

• The engineers may develop a prototype.

A prototype may be developed.

RECAP

- object subject; form of to be + 3rd form
- active sentence "doer" is important
- passive sentence "doer" is not important, unknown, ...
- if "doer" is important, add him /her using "by"