

The passive

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Das Passiv

1 a) Complete these sentences from 1 (p. 52).

Vervollständige diese Sätze aus 1 (S. 52).

“This museum was _____ to tell the story of slavery.”

“This mask is a goat’s face. It _____ in West Africa a long time ago.”

“Similar masks _____ in Nigeria today.”

“Udus _____ of clay, not wood ... first they _____ to carry water.”

“It has a great sound, probably because it’ _____ with bare hands, not with sticks.”

“It’ _____ at special events, like family celebrations.”

b) Draw a red box round the verb forms and complete the rule.

Zeichne ein rotes Kästchen um die Verbformen und vervollständige die Regel.

You make the passive with a form of (to) _____ + _____ participle.
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2 Which sentence tells us **who** wears the masks – sentence (1) or sentence (2)? Tick the right box.

Welcher Satz sagt uns, wer die Masken trägt – Satz (1) oder Satz (2)? Kreuze das richtige Kästchen an.

(1) (*active*) Boys and young men **wear** masks with animal faces at festivals and parties. (2) (*passive*) Similar masks **are worn** in Nigeria today. 3 Look at this passive sentence. Draw a blue box round the words that tell you **who** does the action. Then complete the rule.

Sieh dir diesen Passivsatz an. Zeichne ein blaues Kästchen um die Wörter, die dir sagen, wer die Handlung ausführt. Vervollständige dann die Regel.

Usually, Udus are played by women.

Normalerweise werden Udus von Frauen gespielt.

If you want to say who does (or did) something, you can add _____ ... to a passive sentence.
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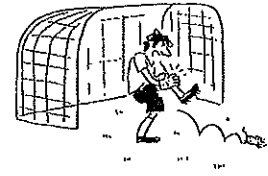
4 Now look at Grammar file 5 on pp. 164–165.



Schau dir jetzt Grammar file 5 auf S. 164–165 an.

Look at the pictures and make sentences with the passive in the simple past to describe what happened at a football game yesterday.

1 goalkeeper – bite – mouse



2 goal – score – Liverpool



3 scarf – hold up – fan



4 sandwich – eat – girl



5 player – hit – ball



6 match – win – Liverpool



7 cup – steal – thief



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Musterlösung: 1 The goalkeeper was bitten by a mouse. • 2 A goal was scored by Liverpool. • 3 A scarf was held up by a fan. • 4 A sandwich was eaten by a girl. • 5 A player was hit by the ball. • 6 The match was won by Liverpool. • 7 The cup was stolen by a thief.