**Passive: Activity 1**

Read Grammar Bank 6A. Then choose the correct form, active or passive. Listen and check.

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| **Grammar Bank**  **6A** passive (all tenses) EXAMPLES **1** A lot of movies **are shot** on location.  When **is** our car **being repaired**? Andy’s bike **has been stolen**. The director died when the movie **was being made**. You**’ll be picked up** at the airport by one of our staff. This bill **has to** **be paid** tomorrow. I love **being given** a massage. **2** The new concert **will be opened** by the president. *Gladiator* **was directed** by Ridley Scott. FORM **1** We often use the passive (*be* + past participle) when it isn’t said, known, or important who does an action. *Andy’s bike has been stolen.* (= somebody has stolen Andy’s bike, but we don’t know who). In passive sentences, the object of the verb becomes the new subject. **2** If we want to say who did the action, we use *by*. • We can often say things in two ways, in the active or in the passive. Compare: *Gladiator was directed by Ridley Scott.* (= we want to focus more on the film) *Ridley Scott directed Gladiator.* (= we want to focus more on the director)  • We form negatives and questions in the same way as in active sentences. *Some movies****aren’t shot*** *on location.* *Is your car* ***being repaired*** *today?* • We often use the passive to talk about processes, for example, scientific processes, and in formal language, such as news reports. *Then the water* ***is heated*** *to 212 degrees…* *Many buildings in the city* ***have been damaged*** *by the earthquake.* |

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| 1.  The costumes for the show are making / are being made by hand.  2.  The story was inspired / inspired him to make a movie.  3.  This castle hasn’t inhabited / hasn’t been inhabited for nearly a century.  4.  His latest movie is set / set in California in the 1960s.  5.  The movie will be shot / will shoot in the fall.  6.  The actors aren’t recording / aren’t being recorded the dialogue until next week.  7.  The house wasn’t using / wasn't being used by the owners during the winter.  8.  The makeup artist has been transformed / has transformed the actor into a monster.  9.  They hadn’t owned / hadn’t been owned the company for very long before they went bankrupt.  10.  The photo was taken / took by my husband on the balcony of our hotel. |  |

**Passive: Activity 2**

Complete the second sentence with the passive so that the meaning is the same as the first sentence. Only use *by* if necessary. Listen and check.

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| 1.  They subtitle a lot of foreign movies. A lot of foreign movies \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .  2.  García Márquez wrote *Love in the Time of Cholera* in 1985. *Love in the Time of Cholera* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in 1985.  3.  Someone is repairing my laptop at the moment. My laptop \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ at the moment.  4.  They haven’t released the movie yet. The movie \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .  5.  They won’t finish the movie until the spring. The movie \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ until the spring.  6.  You have to collect the tickets from the box office. The tickets \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ from the box office.  7.  They hadn’t told the actor about the changes in the script. The actor \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ about the changes in the script.  8.  Damien Chazelle directed *La La Land*. *La La Land* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .  9.  They’ve already recorded the soundtrack. The soundtrack \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .  10.  They were interviewing the director about the movie. The director \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ about the movie. |  |

**Movies: Activity 1**

Match the pictures to the correct kinds of movies. Then listen and check.

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1.

* + a drama
  + a western

2.

* + a horror movie
  + a musical

3.

* + an animated movie
  + a historical movie

4.

* + a war movie
  + a science fiction movie

5.

* + an action movie
  + a romcom (romantic comedy)

6.

* + a horror movie
  + a comedy

7.

* + a thriller
  + a war movie

8.

* + a western
  + an animated movie

9.

* + a drama
  + a science fiction movie

10.

* + an action movie
  + a romcom (romantic comedy)

11.

* + a thriller
  + a historical film

12.

* + a musical
  + a comedy

**Movies: Activity 2**

Match the nouns and definitions. Listen and check.

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| audience       cast       critic       extra       plot      review       scene       script       sequel        set       soundtrack       special effects       star       subtitles       trailer |  |

**1.** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ all the people who act in a movie    
**2.** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the most important actor in a movie  
**3.** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the music of a movie  
**4.** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the story of a movie  
**5.**  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a part of a movie which happens in one place   
**6.** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the people who watch a movie in a movie theater   
**7.** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a movie which continues the story of an earlier movie  
**8.** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ images often created by a computer   
**9.** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a series of short scenes from a movie, shown in advance to advertise it    
**10.** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the words of a movie  
**11.** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a person who is employed to play a very small part in a movie, usually as a member of a crowd    
**12.** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the translation of the dialogue of a movie on screen    
**13.** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ an article which gives an opinion on a new movie   
**14.** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the place where a movie is being shot; the scenery used for a movie or play    
**15.** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a person who writes movie reviews for the press

**Movies: Activity 3**

Match sentences 1–6 to sentences A–F. Listen and check.

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| **1** \_\_\_\_ The movie**is based on** the story of opera singer Florence Foster Jenkins. **2** \_\_\_\_ It **is set** in New York during the 1940s. **3** \_\_\_\_ It **is directed** by Stephen Frears. **4** \_\_\_\_ Hugh Grant **plays the part of** Florence’s husband and manager. **5** \_\_\_\_ It **was shot (**or **filmed)** **on location** in Liverpool. **6** \_\_\_\_ It **is dubbed** into other languages.  **A** It is situated in that place at that time. **B** He is the director. **C** This is his role in the movie. **D** The words are spoken in a different language by foreign actors. **E** The movie is an adaptation of a true story. **F** It was filmed outside the studio. |  |

**Past participles**

Listen to the past participles in the sound groups. If the bold letters all have the same sound, write *same*. If one word is different, write the word. Practice saying the groups of words.

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| 1.  /d/   film**ed**   us**ed**   record**ed**   own**ed** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |
| 2.  /t/   finish**ed**   direct**ed**   releas**ed**   book**ed** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |
| 3.  /ɔ/   b**ough**t   c**augh**t   w**or**n   dr**aw**n \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |
| 4.  /ɑ/   sh**o**t   g**o**ne  dial**o**gue  d**o**ne \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |
| 5.  /oʊ/   forg**o**tten   sp**o**ken   st**o**len   kn**ow**n \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |
| 6.  /ɛ/   sp**e**nt   s**ai**d   m**ea**nt   r**ea**d \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |
| 7.  /eɪ/   m**a**de   p**ai**d   t**a**ken   f**a**llen \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |
| 8.  /ʌ/   w**o**n   p**u**t   s**u**ng   dr**u**nk \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |
| 9.  /ɪ/   b**ui**lt   wr**i**tten   dr**i**ven   g**i**ven \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |

**A TV and movie tour of Central Park: Activity 1**

Listen to a tour guide talking to a group before he takes them on a walking tour of Central Park in New York City. Number the places in the order he mentions them (1, 2, etc).

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| a  a carousel \_\_\_\_\_  b  a bridge \_\_\_\_\_  c  a memorial \_\_\_\_\_  d  a skating rink \_\_\_\_\_  e  a hotel \_\_\_\_\_  f  a lake \_\_\_\_\_  g  a fountain \_\_\_\_\_ |  |

**A TV and movie tour of Central Park: Activity 2**

Listen again and correct any mistakes in the underlined parts of the sentences. Write *OK* if there is no mistake. You can read the audio script to help you.

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| **Tour guide** Hello, and welcome to the TV and Movie Walking Tour of Central Park in New York City. My name’s Stacy Clinton, and I’m going to be your guide today. I hope you are all wearing comfortable shoes because the tour lasts for two hours. We’ll end at Columbus Circle at around two o’clock.  We’re going to start at Gapstow Bridge – a stone bridge originally built in 1874. From the bridge you have an amazing view of the Plaza Hotel. Does anyone know which movies the Plaza Hotel has been featured in? No? Well, you can see this famous hotel in *The Great Gatsby* and *Almost Famous* just to name two. So that’s where we’re going to go first. Then we’re going to go to the Wollman Skating Rink—one of two rinks in the park. This skating rink was opened to the public in 1858, well over 150 years ago! You might recognize the rink from the movies *Home Alone 2* and *Love Story*.  After the rink, we’ll walk to one of the most well-known attractions in Central Park—the Carousel. This carousel has 57 colorful wooden horses for children and adults to ride on, and it’s only three dollars a ride! The original carousel was built in 1871. This one isn’t the original, but it is beautiful. Maybe that’s why director Mel Brooks chose to include it in his movie, *The Producers*. As we walk toward the middle of the park, we’ll pass by the Promenade and Bethesda Fountain where movies such as *The Avengers*, *Breakfast at Tiffany’s*, and *Enchanted* shot scenes. Farther north, we’ll take a look at the largest lake in Central Park and we’ll visit the Boathouse Restaurant, which was featured in the movie *When Harry Met Sally*. Next, we’ll visit the Bow Bridge—a graceful cast-iron bridge, which is considered one of the most romantic spots in New York City. Movie directors must agree because the bridge has been featured in *Spider-Man 3*, on the TV show *Glee* and in one of the greatest love stories of all time—*The Way We Were*.  At this point, we’ll visit Strawberry Fields, an area of the park dedicated to John Lennon and his music. We’ll look at the beautiful memorial mosaic with the word “imagine” in the middle designed to honor Lennon’s memory. Of course, this area of the park was also used for a scene in the movie *Little Manhattan*.  Finally, we’ll walk to the Sheep Meadow. Don’t worry—there haven’t been any sheep in this meadow since 1934. However, we will see people sunbathing or relaxing in this 15-acre open area. This location was used in scenes for *Wall Street* and *The Fisher King*. As we walk to our final destination, Columbus Circle, we’ll pass by Tavern on the Green, once a famous restaurant in New York City and also used as a location for the popular movie *Ghostbusters*. And finally, we’ll end up at Columbus Circle where scenes for *Taxi Driver* and *Borat* were shot. OK, so let’s get going and head to our first stop, Gapstow Bridge… |  |

1.  The tour will last for three hours. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2.  The Gapstow Bridge is made of wood. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3.  The Plaza Hotel was featured in *The Great Gatsby*. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4.  There are two skating rink in Central Park.  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

5.  The Carousel has 47 wooden horses to ride on. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

6.  The Boathouse Restaurant is next to the smallest lake in Central Park. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

7.  The Bow Bridge was used as a location in the TV show Glee. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

8.  The last time sheep were in the Sheep Meadow was 1943. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Writing 5: A movie review**

Write a movie review.

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| Write a description of a movie that you would or wouldn't recommend to people. Plan your review using the paragraph notes below and click on Tools for Quick tips.  **Paragraph 1** – the name of the movie, the director, the stars, and any prizes it won **Paragraph 2** – where and when it is set, where it was filmed **Paragraph 3** – the plot (use the simple present) **Paragraph 4** – why you recommend  / don't recommend the movie **Don't forget to check your review for mistakes (grammar, vocabulary, punctuation, and spelling).** | Write here ... |