

Active and Passive Voice

Level: Advanced

Test: 2

Explanations

1. Option c keeps the same future tense and meaning as the original sentence but changes the focus from "the board" to "all proposals," correctly following passive voice form: subject + will be + past participle.
2. "Has implemented" uses the present perfect active, showing the company's action is recent and relevant now. "Has been encountered" is the present perfect passive, highlighting ongoing resistance experienced by the company.
3. We use "had been announced" because, in reported speech, we shift the past simple ("were announced") to past perfect passive ("had been announced") to show the announcement happened before she spoke.
4. Both options correctly use passive voice by making the original objects ("the students," "a detailed explanation") into subjects, and including "by the professor" to show the original doer of the action.
5. This sentence uses the correct passive structure: "was brought up" (past simple passive), includes the agent with "by the participants," and accurately places the prepositional phrase "during the meeting."
6. Option b correctly uses the passive voice: "was eventually brought up." The focus is on "the issue," the receiver of the action, with the performer (who brought it up) either unknown or unimportant.
7. Option "a" is incorrect because in passive voice, the verb tense must match the time reference; "is completed" is present, but "yesterday" refers to the past, so past tense should be used.
8. "Got" is often used in spoken or informal English to make the passive voice, especially for sudden or accidental actions. Only option (c) uses "get" plus past participle correctly for this purpose.
9. Option d) is correct because "got" is used as the passive verb, and "the documents" are receiving the action. The sentence includes the doer ("by the manager") and the correct passive structure.
10. Option b is correct because "taken by surprise" is a fixed passive expression in

English. It means someone unexpectedly experienced surprise, and uses the passive form with the correct preposition “by.”

11. The passive voice uses “be” plus the past participle to focus on the action itself. “Will have been exceeded” shows the budget will already be over by the time the project finishes—matching the sentence’s timeframe.

12. Sentence a is active voice because the subject (“the committee”) directly performs the action (“debated”) on the object (“the latest scientific discoveries”), clearly showing who did the action.

13. Option c is correct because “are having [object] [past participle]” is the standard passive causative structure, showing that someone else will do the action (installing) for the subject.

14. Option d is correct because it uses the full passive form “was implemented by the committee,” and adverbs “quickly and effectively” come after the passive verb, which follows standard English word order.

15. Option a is correct because it uses the passive structure “might have been expected” to match the modal verb and perfect tense, and it correctly includes the infinitive “to be released” after “expected.”

16. Option d is correct because, in reported speech, present perfect verbs (‘have resolved’, ‘have informed’) change to past perfect tense (‘had been resolved’, ‘had been informed’) to show completed actions before the reporting moment.

17. Option b) uses the correct passive causative structure: “had + object + past participle.” This shows the board arranged for someone else (an external auditor) to review the financial report.

18. Option a is passive because the object (“the conference”) becomes the subject of the sentence, and the verb uses “was postponed,” showing that the organizers performed the action rather than being the main focus.

19. Option c uses the active voice because the subject (“the research team”) performs the action (“analyzed”) directly. In the passive voice, the action happens to the subject instead.

20. This sentence begins in the active voice, showing the team’s action, and continues in the passive voice, focusing on the final version being reviewed, which highlights both the agents and the actions clearly.