Passive Voice

I. **Open the brackets using the Passive.**

1 Rice (grow) in China.
2 The manager (employ) only because of his wide experience.
3 The flowers (not water) for ages! They are fading.
4 Washington, D C (found) in 1800.
5 A new house (build) in this street now and it (complete) by the end of the year.
6 The rooms in our hotel (clean) and (wash) regularly.
7 The letter (write) and (send) yesterday.
8 The cake (bake) from 3 till 4 the day before yesterday.
9 He (not see) for months but then he appeared quite unexpectedly.
10 our dinner (cook) now?
11 These books (borrow) from the library Unfortunately, they are not available now.
12 You (punish) if you don't behave yourselves!
13 My car (service) in the garage for two months already They are really slow there!
14 The chief (cannot/disturb) now One of the applicants (interview) in his office.
15 In this city houses often (burgle) and plenty of valuable things (steal). But not a single burglar ever (caught).
16 Her article on Biology (write) by tomorrow.
17 This booklet easily (may/find) at any newsagent's.
18 We are ready: the cake (cut) and the tea (pour).
19 The sofa which you have bought today (deliver) tomorrow.
20 When my jewellery set (repair)? — In a week, i e next Tuesday.

II. Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tense form either in the Active or in the Passive.

1 The meeting (hold) in the conference hall yesterday.
2 The children (take) to the zoo and (see) some exotic animals there.
3 They want their house (paint), but they (not know) who to ask.
4 Coffee (grow) in Brazil They (cultivate) superb coffee there.
5 Jim (accuse) his friend of deception and (not want) to talk to him any more.
6 This dish (contain) garlic.
7 The floor just (sweep) and (wash).
8 The building (put up) ten years ago.
9 When you finally (take) to hospital? You aren't well.
10 Next week the invitations (send) to all the guests.
11 The children (not/allow) their mother to leave them alone in the house as they were scared.
12 What this book (consist) of?
13 The police (call) immediately by the neighbours when they (notice).
a suspicious man getting out of the window of our house.
14 Finally, he (find) in the fields where he (work) since early morning.
15 The picture (forget) in the attic long ago.

16 After the book read Ted (return) it to the library.
17 They (play) different games regularly in the yard.
18 The wedding dress (be) ready by tomorrow.
19 Yesterday morning his suitcases (carry) to the station by the tax-idriver.
20 After the tea (drink) and the cake (eat) the guests (leave).

III. Rewrite the following sentences in the Passive.

1 When will you finish your work?
2 The maid has just tidied the room.
3 Has he visited the museum yet? — I think he hasn't.
4 They often listen to the radio here.
5 They had redecorated the house before they went on holiday.
6 The MGM has just released a new cartoon.
7 They are going to grow vegetables in their kitchen garden.
8 When did he pay you back your money?
9 Mr Cranks will have finished the report by 5 o'clock.
10 We must fix the window.
11 The baby didn't feel well, so the parents sent for the doctor.
12 The police arrested the man who they suspected of murder.
13 These two strangers are following us Aren't you scared?
14 The programmers have worked out a new programme which protects computers against viruses.
15 The teacher is checking the pupils'compositions now.

IV. Open the brackets and use the verb in the appropriate form of the Passive Voice,

1. The first draft resolution (not discuss) yesterday; it (withdraw) long before the beginning of the meeting. 2. He is not in town; he (send) on a special mission, 3. Don't come into the compartment; the berth (fix) now. 4. A new underground line (construct) now. They say one of its stations (build) in my street. 5. He wants to know when the final decision (take). The activities of the committee and their delays already much (speak) about. 6. It was three o'clock. We (tell) to hurry up because we (wait). 7. Do you believe that such a problem can (solve)? 8. It must (do) without delays. 9. On September 9, 1850, California (admit) to the Union as the thirty-first state. 10. Don't speak in a loud voice: we (listen). 11. The plan (approve)? — No, it (discuss) now. — How long it (discuss)? 12. By the time he arrives everything (settle). 13. Not all the necessary things (buy) for our trip that's why the departure (postpone). 14. The money (lend) to him two months ago, but it (not give) back yet. 15. The business day was in high gear: the mail (look) through, documents (type), letters (answer), talks (hold). 16. Wait a minute. The table (lay). 17. Dynamite (invent) by Alfred Bernhard Nobel. 18. This exercise may (write) with a pencil. 19. This work (do) before you went to Moscow? 20. If you (ask) about it, will you be able to answer?