

PASSIVE VOICE WITH THE VERBS OF REPORTING

I. Put the sentences into passive voice.

1. They rumoured that the man was still living in London.

☐ It

☐ The man

2. People believe that 13 is an unlucky number.

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3. They declared that she won the competition.

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4. They know that English is an international language.

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5. They say that Jim is the brightest student in his class.

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6. They think that he has died a natural death.

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7. They reported that the troops were coming.

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8. People believed that the Earth stood still. ☐

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9. People think that Jack London's life and writings represent the American love of adventure.

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10. People rumour that he has 22 children.

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11. People say that he slept on a bed of nails.

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12. People say he won a lot of money gambling.

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13. People say that he writes poetry.

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14. They believed that fresh air was bad for sick people.

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15. We expected that the rate of inflation will fall.

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16. They say that he is somewhere in Germany.

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17. People think that she died in a plane crash.

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18. People rumoured that he was involved in the bank robbery.

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19. People think the government will build a supermarket here.

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20. People believed that the Earth was the center of the universe.

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II. Rewrite the sentences below in the second way.

1. It is expected that the strike will end soon.

☐ The strike

2. It is thought that the prisoner escaped by climbing over a wall.

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3. It is reported that many people are homeless after the flood.

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4. It is said that the man robbed the store of \$3,000 in cash.

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5. It is reported that the company was badly damaged by the fire.

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6. It is said that the company is losing a lot of money.

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7. It is said that she works 16 hours a day. ☐

8. It is reported that two people were injured in the explosion.

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9. It is said that he is 110 years old. ☐

10. It is expected that the government will lose the election.

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11. It is said that he stole \$400. ☐

12. It is believed that the thieves got in through the kitchen window.

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13. It is reported that the Great Wall of China was built in the late of 1400s.

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14. It is believed that the length of the Great Wall of China is 3,400km.

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15. It is said that Christopher Columbus discovered America.

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16. It is said that many people are homeless because of the flood.

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17. It is known that the Prime Minister is in favor of the new law.

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18. It is expected that the US President will lose the election.

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19. It is believed that the thieves got in through the kitchen window.

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20. It is found that she drove through the town at 50 miles an hour.

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21. It is reported that two people were seriously injured in the accident.

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22. It is said that three men were arrested after the explosion.

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23. It is thought that the prisoner escaped by climbing over the wall.

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24. It is said that the company is losing a lot of money.

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25. It is believed that the company lost a lot of money last year.

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26. It is expected that the company will lose a lot of money this year.

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27. It is expected that the strike will and soon. ☐

28. It is said that he is an honest, hard-working man.

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29. It is considered that this surgeon is a brilliant practitioner.

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30. It was proved that the statements he had made were false.

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31. It was understood that the delegation was keen to meet the Prime Minister.

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32. It is reported that several Japanese manufacturers are planning to set up plants overseas.

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33. It is expected that the brewers will raise the price of beer in the near future.

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34. It was claimed that the drug produced no undesirable side-effects.

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35. It is reported that many passengers died in the crash.

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III. Write these sentence in another way, beginning as shown.

1. People know that he is armed. ☐ He

2. People think that the company is planning a new advertising campaign.

☐ The company

3. It was reported that the President had suffered a heart attack.

☐ The President

4. It is said that the man was driving at 110 miles an hour.

☐ The man

5. People know that the expedition reached the South Pole in May.

☐ The expedition

6. It is said that there is a secret tunnel between them.

☐ There

7. People consider that she was the best singer that Australia has ever produced.

☐ She

8. It is expected that the weather will be good tomorrow.

☐ The weather

9. A lot of people believe that the Prime Minister and his wife have separated.

☐ The Prime Minister and his wife

10. It is reported that the building has been badly damaged by the fire.

☐ The building

11. People believe that he has special knowledge which may be useful to the police.

☐ He

12. Journalists suppose that the football player is earning ten million pounds a year.

☐ The football player

13. It is reported that the damage is extensive. ☐ That damage

14. Lots of people believe the criminal is living abroad.

☐ The criminal

15. People think the government is planning a new airport.

☐ It is

16. People thought Sue had paid too much. ☐ Sue

17. The police believed that the thief was still in the house.

☐ The thief

18. It is believed that the boy is wearing a white T-shirt and blue jeans.

☐ The boy

19. Everyone knows the portrait was painted by Picasso.

☐ The portrait

20. It is predicted that the company will lose money this year.

☐ The company

21. It is said that she has lived there for ten years. ☐ She

22. The police think the criminal is in hiding in the London area.

☐ The criminal

23. Everybody believed that the plan would fail

☐ The plan

24. We know that vitamin C is good for treating colds.

☐ Vitamin C

25. It is being said that too little money is being spent by the government on road.

☐ People

26. It is expected that the prices will rise again this month.

☐ The prices

27. It is proved that life does not exist on the moon.

☐ Life is proved not

28. They say that he has passed the final exam with the best result.

☐ He

29. No one expected that he would be so successful.

☐ He

30. He is said to have been in the army. ☐ People

31. It is believed that the man escaped in a stolen car.

☐ The man

32. They think that the owner of the house is abroad.

☐ The owner

33. People say that he has been all over the world.

☐ He is

34. Mr. Jones was thought to be unfairly treated.

☐ Many people

35. The wanted man is believed to be living in New York.

☐ It is

CAUSATIVE FORM

Choose the best answer.

1. I'll have the boys _____ the wall.

A. paint

B. to paint

C. painted

D. painting

2. I am going to have a new house _____.

A. build

B. to build

C. built

D. building

3. You should have your car _____ before going on holiday.

A. servicing

B. service

C. to service

D. serviced

4. Lisa got Jim _____ the roof yesterday.

- A. repair B. to repair C. repairing D. repaired
5. We have just had the carpenter _____ this chair.
- A. make B. making C. to make D. made
6. Students should get their eyes _____ regularly.
- A. tested B. to test C. testing D. test
7. I'll have a new dress _____ for my daughter.
- A. making B. to make C. made D. make
8. They have just got the air-conditioner _____ in their house.
- A. install B. to install C. installed D. installing
9. By _____ the housework done, we have time to further our studies.
- A. taking B. to have C. having D. to get
10. I have not had the film _____ yet.
- A. develop B. to develop C. developing D. developed
11. The villagers have had the use of this washing machine _____ by the engineer.
- A. explain B. explained C. explaining D. to explain
12. It is time you had your house _____.
- A. whitewash B. whitewashed C. whitewashing D. to whitewash
13. We had the room _____ yesterday.
- A. decorate B. to decorate C. decorated D. decorating
14. Do you get newspapers _____ to your home?
- A. deliver B. delivered C. to deliver D. delivering
15. Let's have our waiter _____ some coffee.
- A. bring B. to bring C. bringing D. brought
16. The teacher had the students _____ their papers.
- A. hand in B. to hand in C. handed in D. handing in
17. Have her _____ these letters, please.
- A. type B. to type C. typing D. typed
18. John had his nose _____ in a fight.
- A. break B. to break C. breaking D. broken
19. Fred had his hat _____ off in the wind.
- A. blow B. blown C. blowing D. to blow
20. Frank had all his money _____ while he was on holiday.
- A. steal B. stolen C. stealing D. to steal