Passive Voice CLB 6

#### **Handout 1**

### Scenario 1

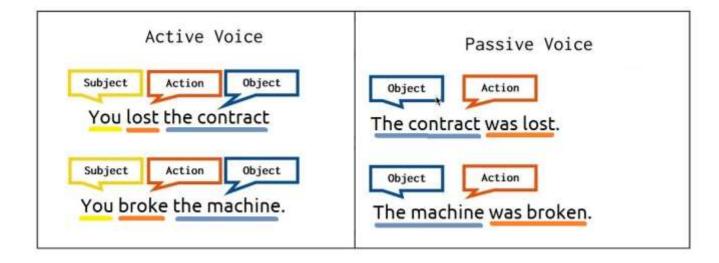
- You've transferred money to the wrong account. Again!
- Sorry. I was not attentive.
- Enough is enough. You're fired!
- Yes, you're right. Goodbye.

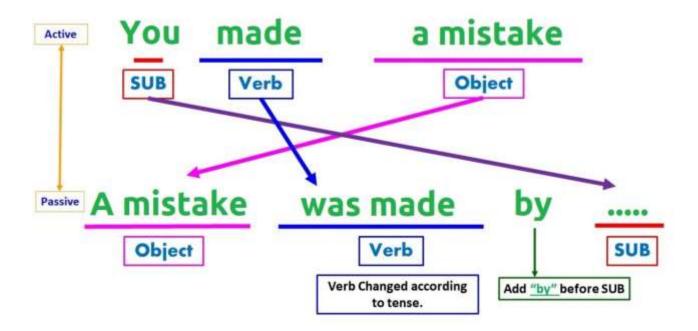
#### Scenario 2

- You've transferred money to the wrong account. Again!
- Unfortunately, the sum was accidentally transferred to one of our subcontractors. They have already been contacted, and the sum has been returned.

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## How is the passive voice formed?





# Handout 2

1. Present Simple:	You make a mistake.
A mistake	made.
2. Present Continuous	: You are making a mistake.
A mistake	made.
3. Past Simple: You n	nade a mistake.
A mistake	made.
4. Past Continuous:	You were making a mistake.
A mistake	made.
5. Present Perfect	You have made a mistake.
A mistake	made.
6. Past Perfect: You h	ad made a mistake.
A mistake	made.
7. Future Simple:	You will make a mistake.
A mistake	made.
8. Be + "going to":	You are going to make a mistake.
A mistake	made.
9. Future Perfect:	You will have made a mistake.
A mistake	made.
10. Modal Verb: You s	hould not make a mistake.
A mistake	made.
11. Modal Perfect:	You should not have made a mistake
A mistake	made.

### **Handout 3**

### Task 1

You are responsible for transport for the warehouse. Deal with your boss's complaints and use passive to avoid taking the blame.

- 1. You've lost one of the cartons!
- 2. You delivered the goods two days late!
- 3. You damaged one of the machines!
- 4. \_\_ Your tracks are dirty!
- 5. \_\_\_ You left one pallet in our loading bay!
- A. It will be delivered tomorrow.
- B. I have to admit that the delivery was slightly delayed.
- C. I am very sorry to hear that one carton was mislaid...
- D. Yes, they should have been packed better.
- E. They are being cleaned at the moment.

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### Task 2

You are responsible for security at the warehouse. Deal with the boss's complaints and use passive to avoid taking the blame.

1. The alarm went off six times last night!	
	(It/check/at the
moment)	
2. Your security guards don't follow procedures!	
	(They/be/train/
next week)	
3. They damaged my Mercedes yesterday!	
	(It/should not/
be/park/in the loading bay)	
4. The new CCTV cameras don't work properly!	
(Strange/they/service/vesterday)	

## Handout 4

Prepare appropriate responses to these statements with the use of Passive Voice.

"You	counted the inventory incorrectly again!"
"You	forgot to lock up the office last night!"
"You	made typos in this report!"
"You	missed the deadline for the project!"
"You	didn't include research into you presentation!"
"You	failed to update the software on time!"
"You	don't set up the meeting room properly!"
"You	overlooked important details in the contract!"