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Subject :- Types of Passive Voice Sentence

We will talk about the first type of passive voice sentence that is present .

1-Present : This type can be formed through the relation between tense in the active voice sentence and tense in the passive voice sentence . According to the following table

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Subjective Pronouns	Forms of verb	Active voice	Passive voice
T I o c h a	Am + past participial (regular verb: /infinitive verb + ed for example(study/ studied) or irregular verb: changing a form of infinitive verb :for example see / seen)	I clean a room .	A room is cleaned by me .
He, She , It , n g e a	is + past participial (regular verb: /infinitive verb + ed for example(study/ studied) or irregular verb: changing a form of infinitive verb :for example see / seen)	He sends a message .	A message is sent by him .
you , they , we n a c	are + past participial (regular verb: /infinitive verb + ed for example :want / wanted) or irregular verb: changing a form of infinitive verb (for	You read books.	Books are read by you .

t	example : go / gone)		
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For example :-

Ali writes a letter .

To change an active voice sentence into passive voice sentence . We will apply the following steps :

1-The above sentence is an active voice sentence .

2-It consists of a subject (Ali), a main verb (writes) , an object(a) indefinite article (letter) a noun .

3- We put an object (a letter)at the beginning of sentence .

4-The tense of sentence is the simple present and it does not contain an auxiliary verb.

5-We must derivate an auxiliary verb from (verb to be only) according to tense of the sentence and the new subject (a letter)(singular and plural)that is (is).

6-We change a main verb from present (writes) into past participle (written) because of existence (is) only in this type of sentences .

7-We add a preposition (by).

8- We put a previous subject in the active voice sentence that is (Ali)

9-We put full stop (.)

9- A passive voice sentence is :

A letter is written by Ali .