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**Subject :- Types of Passive Voice Sentence**

We will talk about the third type of passive voice sentence that is continuous .

1- Continuous : 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	am+ being +past participial (regular verb: /infinitive verb + ed for example(study/ studied ) or irregular verb: changing a form of infinitive verb :for example see / seen )	Somebody is watching me	I am being watched by somebody .
They ,He, She ,You, a It ,We n g e	Is, are + being + past participial (regular verb: /infinitive verb + ed for example(study/ studied ) or irregular verb: changing a form of infinitive verb :for example see / seen )	She is washing the dishes now .	The dishes are being washed now .
I , He , She , It a n  F o	was + being + 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 was feeding the chickens .	The chickens were being fed.

They , We , you r  e x	Is, are + being + past participial (regular verb: /infinitive verb + ed for example(study/ studied ) or irregular verb: changing a form of infinitive verb :for example see / seen )	The men were cleaning the boats.	The boats were being cleaned by the men .
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For example :-

**They are sleeping the floor.**

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 subjective pronoun (They) , an auxiliary verb ( are) , a present participle (sleeping ) ,an object consists of (the ) definite article (floor ) . 3- We put a previous object as a new subject (The floor ) at the beginning of sentence .

4-The tense of sentence is the present continuous because of existence an (are sleeping ) .

5-We put an auxiliary verb ( is) according to the tense of sentence and new subject (singular and plural) .

6-An auxiliary verbs especially (verb to be ) are followed by (present participle ) but in passive voice they are followed by (past participle ) therefore we will put an auxiliary verb + (being ) + past participle .

8-We put full stop (.)

9- A passive voice sentence is :

**The floor is being swept .**

Another example :-

**The mechanic was fixing my car .**

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 (The) a definite article (mechanic) a noun , an auxiliary verb ( was) , a present participle (fixing ) ,an object consists of (my ) a possessive adjective (car ) a noun.

3- We put a previous object as a new subject (My car ) at the beginning of sentence .

4-The tense of sentence is the past continuous because of existence an (was fixing ) .

5-We put an auxiliary verb ( was) according to the tense of sentence and new

**subject (singular and plural ).**

**6-An auxiliary verbs especially (verb to be ) are followed by (present participle ) but in passive voice they are followed by (past participle ) therefore we will put an auxiliary verb + (being ) + past participle .**

**7- A passive voice sentence is :**

**My car was being fixed .**