

# The Passive (Video)

## TO BE + PAST PARTICIPLE

am	is	aren't	was	were	has been	had been	is being
was being	must be	won't be			should be	could have been	
is/are going to be							

played	spoken	grown	discovered	cooked	eaten	written	
taken	seen	killed	accused	built	repaired	made	done

## LO MISMO EN INGLÉS COMO EN ESPAÑOL

"Australia fue descubierta por Capitan James Cook."

"Romeo y Juliet' y 'Hamlet' fueron escritos por Shakespeare."

## USANDO 'SE.....'

"Se habla Inglés aquí" (Inglés ES hablado)

"Se está contruyendo un nuevo puente." (Un nuevo puente ESTA siendo..)

"No se saben las causas" (Las razones no SON sabidas)

"¿Se han visto lobos por aquí?" (HAN lobos SIDO vistos por aquí)

"El pollo se debe asar bien." (El pollo DEBE ser asado..)

## USANDO 'ELLOS' (impersonal)

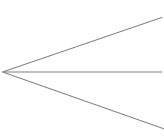
"Me han dicho que..." (Yo he sido dicho...)

"Le dirán el sábado." (Ella SERA dicho..)

"Pudieron habernos dado las notas." (Nosotros PUDIMOS HABER sido..)

"Estaban llevando a los sospechosos." (The suspects.....)

"¿Habían reparado el coche antes del accidente?"

SE MATARON  They killed themselves  
They killed each other  
They were killed

# Passive (Audio)

You will hear eight scenes from American series and sitcoms. Listen to the sentences (in active and passive) and write one word in each space below. Write contractions ( 's / 're / 'll / 've ) as one separate word. You will hear each scene twice:

## Scene 1:

- “And they \_\_\_\_\_ a boycott.”
- “And when \_\_\_\_\_?”
- June the 10<sup>th</sup>

## Scene 2:

- “So Saturday night – I’ll \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_.”
- “Great! I \_\_\_\_\_ by you.”

## Scene 3:

- “I did it! You \_\_\_\_\_ me.”

## Scene 4:

- “Why are you out here?”
- “My \_\_\_\_\_.”
- “By who?” *(In UK: 'Who by?')*

## Scene 5:

- “I \_\_\_\_\_ to testify in the Sorrentino gun case.”
- “You \_\_\_\_\_? By who?”
- “Alicia Florrick.”

## Scene 6:

- “Hunter? Do you do well with the ladies?”
- “It \_\_\_\_\_ that I have game. I’m the one who’s \_\_\_\_\_ it, but still.....”

## Scene 7:

- “Why don’t you stop trying to help people who \_\_\_\_\_?”

## Scene 8:

- “Sean – there’s a rumour going around that your mother was in need of a partner for a dance contest. There’s another rumour going around that \_\_\_\_\_ to be that partner and I know that rumour to be true because I’m me and I was with me when I \_\_\_\_\_.”