

We use active voice when **there is an object** in the sentence.  
(99%)

We use passive voice when **there isn't an object** in the sentence  
(99%)

I play **football**. (football=object)

Football is played.

**I play in the garden**. (there's no object)

1%:

- a. Verbs that don't take an object -> We **can't** use them in passive voice (disappear, vanish, appear, be, come, arrive, cough, die, fall, happen, lie, live, rain, rise, rise, sneeze, snow, wait, work etc)
- b. Verbs that take **2 objects** (**something** to **someone**, ask, bring, charge, find, fine, give, hand, leave, lend, make, offer, owe, pay, promise, save, send, serve, show, teach, tell, wish)

1<sup>st</sup> case: When both objects are after the verb, it's active voice. **Eg. I gave a present to Mary.**

2<sup>nd</sup> case: When one object is before and the other is after the verb, it's passive voice.

**Eg. Mary was given a present.**