



Learn English Through Stories

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2. They are going to teach gymnastics at this school.

Gymnastics.....at this school.

3. They showed us the way to the national museum.

We.....the way to the national museum.

4. They cannot hold the meeting in that room.

The meeting.....in that room.

5. They told me to be careful.

I.....to be careful.

6. They have just built a new house in this village.

A new house.....in this village.

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The protesters.....by the police.

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9. They left the stolen car in the ditch.

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10. He should have helped his brother prepare for the test.

His brother.....prepare for the test.

11. We invite them to stay here once a year.

They.....to stay here once a year.

12. She must have left the keys behind.

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13. Somebody has burned a hole in this carpet.

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14. Our teacher split the class into groups of five.

The class.....into groups of five by our teacher.

15. A big lorry ran over her dog yesterday.

Her dog.....by a big lorry yesterday.

16. Somebody stick the paper on the window.

The paper.....on the window.

17. The ice blocked off the road.

The road.....by the ice.

18. They have given us useful instructions.

We.....useful instructions.

19. If you behave like that, nobody will invite you to a party.

If you behave like that, you.....to a party.

20. The teacher asked the student a very difficult question at the oral exam.

The student.....a very difficult question at the oral exam.

2. Change the following sentences into passive voice:

1. Aryan sets his alarm clock for 5:30 am.
2. Jeeya spread the newspaper out on the floor.
3. Some workmen were cleaning the entry to the cave.
4. They are going to build a temple in the village.
5. People believe that he is a very good pianist.
6. A professional photographer has taken these pictures.
7. The police are looking for the missing paintings.
8. Somebody will deliver the package before 9 o'clock.
9. You should not wash this dress by hand.
10. Where did she put the vase?
11. Someone broke into her house last night.
12. I will introduce you to my friend this week.
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15. They say that he knows some very influential people.
16. Please accept our sincere apologies.
17. When will you give us a party?
18. Susan has washed these clothes.
19. They are building a bridge here.
20. Kindly don't be angry with me.

3. Change the following sentences into passive voice:

1. The NEA has reduced the power cut length to four hours a day.
2. Rosy gave Pukar a nice present.
3. She will have finished her work by nine o'clock.
4. Did anyone answer your question?
5. They have already removed two cars from the street.
6. People generally assume that the USA is the richest country in the world.
7. Anita may invite them to her next birthday party.
8. Priyanka slipped a postcard under the door.
9. They called in the troops to repair the major embankment.
10. People say that the president will arrive on Monday.
11. People felt that the social workers were doing valuable work.
12. A policeman can help him.
13. The police reported that the number of car accidents had increased.
14. They told the children to leave the room.
15. His decision disappointed them.
16. The doctors claim that this new technique is a revolution for heart problems.
17. They smiled at the girl as she walked by.
18. Why didn't they offer him the job?
19. The condition of these students worried the Principal.
20. Nobody can help him.

4. Change the following sentences into active voice:

1. The accident was reported by a witness.
2. The book will be read by the students.
3. A piece of plastic has been swallowed by the child.
4. Our dog is frightened by loud thunderstorms.
5. The ball is hit straight into the bleachers by the batter.
6. A good film will be shown in the cinema tomorrow.
7. The frogs were being chased by the cats.
8. When will they be taught English?
9. The dishes have not been washed by my sister.
10. His hair was cut by his brother.
11. He is thought to be a spy.
12. You are requested to sing a song.
13. Milan has been invited to the party by Nehal.
14. I was sent a letter the day before yesterday by Nina.
15. His house was damaged by a falling tree.
16. I was given the book by my friend last Sunday.
17. The issue was discussed by the members of the House of Representatives.
18. The national anthem is being sung by the students now.
19. Library books are often borrowed by students.
20. Were the books bought by Sunita?

Answers

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The entry to the cave was being cleaned by some workmen.

4. They are going to build a temple in the village.

A temple is going to be built in the village.

5. People believe that he is a very good pianist.

It is believed that he is a very good pianist.

Or: He is believed to be a very good pianist.

6. A professional photographer has taken these pictures.

These pictures have been taken by a professional photographer

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9. You should not wash this dress by hand.

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Where was the vase put by her?

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Her house was broken into last night.

12. I will introduce you to my friend this week.

You will be introduced to my friends this week by me.

13. He invited me to the party.

I was invited to the party by him.

14. Nobody noticed his mistake.

His mistakes were not noticed.

15. They say that he knows some very influential people.

It is said that he knows some very influential people.

Or: He is said to know some very influential people.

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You are requested to our sincere apologies.

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These clothes have been washed by Susan.

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A Bridge is being built here.

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The power cut length has been reduced to four hours a day by the NEA.

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Pukar was given a nice present by Rosy.

3. She will have finished her work by nine o'clock.

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Was your question answered?

5. They have already removed two cars from the street.

Two cars have already been removed from the street.

6. People generally assume that the USA is the richest country in the world.

It is generally assumed that the USA is the richest country in the world.

Or: The USA is generally assumed to be the richest country in the world.

7. Anita may invite them to her next birthday party.

They might be invited to her next birthday party by Anita.

8. Priyanka slipped a postcard under the door.

A postcard was slipped under the door by Priyanka.

9. They called in the troops to repair the major embankment.

The troops were called in to repair the major embankment.

10. People say that the president will arrive on Monday.

It is said that the president will arrive on Monday.

11. People felt that the social workers were doing valuable work.

It is felt that the social workers were doing valuable work.

Or: The social workers were felt to be doing valuable work.

12. A policeman can help him.

He can be helped by a policeman

13. The police reported that the number of car accidents had increased.

It was reported that the number of car accidents had increased.

The number of car accidents was reported to have increased.

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Why wasn't he offered the job?

19. The condition of these students worried the Principal.

The Principal was worried by the condition of these students.

20. Nobody can help him.

He can be helped by nobody.

4. Change the following sentences into active voice:

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A witness reported the accident.

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The student will read the book.

3. A piece of plastic has been swallowed by the child.

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Loud thunderstorms frighten our dog.

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The batter hit the ball straight into the bleachers.

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When will you teach them English?

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My sister has not washed the dishes.

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His brother cut his hair.

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People think he is a spy.

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Please sing a song.

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Nehal has invited Milan to the party.

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Nina sent me a letter a day before yesterday.

15. His house was damaged by a falling tree.

A falling tree damaged his house.

16. I was given the book by my friend last Sunday.

My friend gave me the book last Saturday.

17. The issue was discussed by the members of the House of Representatives.

The members of the House of Representatives discussed the issue.

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The students are singing the national anthem now.

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Students often borrow library books.

20. Were the books bought by Sunita?

Did Sunita buy the books?