



ACTIVE &  
PASSIVE  
EXAMPLES

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Kallie talked about using the Hemingway Editor App  
[www.hemingwayapp.com](http://www.hemingwayapp.com)  
You type indoor sentence & then it re-jigs it for you ;)

▼ *ACTIVE voice* - When the verb of a sentence is in the active voice, the subject is doing the acting.

▼ *PASSIVE voice* - A verb is in the passive voice when the subject of the sentence is acted on by the verb.

Here are some really basic examples of ACTIVE compared to PASSIVE. These examples are a great way for you to see the difference.



## *Active / Passive*

- ▼ Jane ate three slices of pizza/At dinner, three slices of pizza were eaten by Jane.
- ▼ I read the novel in one day/The novel was read by me in one day.
- ▼ Monkeys adore bananas/Bananas are adored by monkeys.
- ▼ The dog chased the squirrel/The squirrel was chased by the dog.
- ▼ Tom mailed the letter/The letter was mailed by Tom.
- ▼ Reporters write news reports/News reports are written by reporters.
- ▼ John is baking brownies/The brownies were baked by John.
- ▼ I'll always remember my first trip abroad/My first trip abroad will always be remembered by me.
- ▼ I will bake a cake/A cake will be baked.
- ▼ I should have washed my car/My car should have been washed.
- ▼ Alex wrote the book/The book was written by Alex.
- ▼ They have already discussed the book/The book has already been discussed by them.

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