

I Using Passive Tense

Change these sentences from past tense to passive. Passive tense uses the “to be” verb plus the past participle.

Example:

They built the house in 1890.
They make cars in Detroit.

The house was built in 1890
Cars are made in Detroit.

- 1.Susan cooked the dinner. _____
- 2.They painted the house green. _____
- 3.They make shoes in that factory. _____
- 4.The students will finish the course by May. _____
- 5.They make these out of plastic. _____
- 6.They finished the art work last week. _____
- 7.The people spoke English at the meeting. _____
- 8.Karen served the refreshments. _____

II. Fill in the blanks of this story with the correct vocabulary.

first aid	shocked	ambulance
broke	unconscious	accident
police	hospital	bleeding

There was a car _____. Someone called the _____. An _____ came to take the injured to the _____. The man was not moving. He was alive, but he was _____. The driver _____ his leg. The old woman cut her arm. She was _____. I helped give _____ to the injured people. I was _____ to see all the hurt people.

III. Students: practice your descriptive skills by explaining the difference between the two items

What is the difference between:

- a) wheelchair and crutches
- b) doctor and surgeon
- c) to cure and to heal
- d) to admit and to discharge
- e) a wound and a disease
- f) gauze and bandaid
- g) splint and cast
- h) tweezers and clippers
- i) choking and coughing
- j) paramedic and policeman
- k) a fracture and a sprain

IV. Discuss these statements with your group. Tell if you agree or disagree with the statement. Place a check beside the statements that everyone in the group agrees on.

1. Governments should provide a first class health service that is free to everyone.
2. Doctors are paid too much.
3. People who have damaged their health through smoking, drinking or overeating, should have to pay a higher insurance premium than those with a healthy lifestyle.
4. HIV testing should be compulsory for everyone.
5. Acupuncture and yoga should be paid for by insurance.
6. Doctors overprescribe antibiotics.
7. All preventative care should be free.
8. Everyone should be required to buy health insurance.

V. Word of the Day: Depression

a-a mental state in which someone feels unhappy and has no energy or enthusiasm

b-a time when there is little economic activity which results in unemployment and poverty

c-an area on the surface which is lower than the parts surrounding it

When we are suffering from a mental depression, we can say we're in a *funk* or our *spirits are low*. We might feel *dejected* and *disheartened*.

A slang word for an economic depression is a *slump*. In a slump stock prices fall. The *Great Depression* was a period during the 1930's when there was worldwide depression and unemployment. Stock prices fell very low. Many people were out of work.

A surface depression that is bowl shaped is a *crater*. A meteorite makes a crater. A narrow depression like the one between ocean waves is a *trough*.