

# PASSIVE VOICE

PRESENT

PAST

FUTURE

FUTURE IN THE PAST

SIMPLE

Repeated actions, permanent situations or general truths.



An action happened at a past time, and is now finished.



An action which we expect to happen in the future; predictions, promises.



An action which we imagine could happen on a certain condition.



CONTINUOUS

An action in progress now, or a temporary situation.



An action which was in progress at some time in the past.



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PERFECT

An action was completed in the past, but its results are important now.



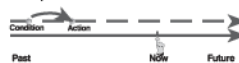
One past action happened earlier than another past action.



An action will have been completed by (not earlier than) a certain time in the future.



An action could have happened in the past (but didn't) on a certain condition.



PERFECT CONTINUOUS

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