Your Priorities

Unit 7 | Session 2

The past passive + sentence stress





Today's plan

Listen to two students talk about university life

Use the past passive: was / were + past participle

Get ready to read about a zero-waste lifestyle

Lesson timeline (60 min)

Review	15 min
Lead-in	4 min
Key words + listening	14 min
Past passive	9 min
Stress	4 min
Reading preview (D)	5 min
Speaking + writing + wrap-up	9 min

Review: present passive

15 min

1 The food cooked by my mum.

2 English is speak in many countries.

3 The cars is made in Germany.

4 Is the homework check by the teacher?

5 Tea is grown in India.

6 The rooms aren't clean on Saturdays.

Homework check: share your six passive sentences about your country.

Which sentences are wrong? Correct them in pairs.

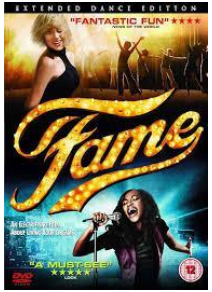
What makes lives better?

4 min















Money? Fame? Fashion? Health? Technology? Choose your top two and say why.

Key words for listening

4 min

social life

time you spend with friends

academics

studying and school work

survey

questions asked to many people

routine

what you usually do every day

quality time

time when you give someone your full attention

reduce

make smaller or less

Listen: what is the problem?

3 min



What is the man's problem at university?

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Why did the woman choose her university?

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Listen again: true or false?

7 min

1 The man's classes are the problem.

2 He has a lot of homework and little time for friends.

3 When he lived at home, his clothes were washed for him.

4 The woman chose her university for its social life.

5 The woman thinks the hard work is not forever.

6 The man wants to leave the university.



Correct the false sentences!

The past passive

6 min

A lot of things **were done** by my mum.
My clothes **were always washed** for me.
My meals **were always** ready.

Is the action present or past?

Who did it? Is it important?

Which verb forms do you see?

Past passive: thing + was / were + past participle (+ by + person)

Practice: past passive

3 min

1 My room _____ (clean) by my mum every week.

2 The meals _____ (cook) by my father.

3 This house _____ (build) in 1990.

4 _____ your homework _____ (check) yesterday?

Now tell your partner: What was done for you at home when you were a child?

Stress in sentences

4 min

Content words (stressed)
nouns, main verbs, question words, adjectives, adverbs

Function words (weak)
pronouns, auxiliary verbs, the verb be, articles, prepositions, conjunctions

My **CLOTHES** were **ALWAYS WASHED** for me.
I **BARELY** have **TIME** to **SLEEP**.

Reading preview: zero waste

5 min



What can you do to throw away less?

compost	decayed plants used to enrich garden soil
jar	glass container used for storing food
blog	website with a diary about a subject
adores	loves very much

Tell me about your priorities

4 min













What are your top three priorities? Elias enjoys photographing dogs for a living.

Using sequence words

3 min

Sequence words help the reader follow the order of things or the steps in a process.

first | second | next | then | after that | finally | eventually

When I think about my future, I have some priorities. **First**, I want to get a good education. **Next**, I need to find a job. I plan to work for someone else for a few years and **then** start my own business. **After that**, I might get married. **Eventually**, I'll retire.

Homework: write about your priorities. Use at least five sequence words.

Wrap-up and homework

2 min



Exit ticket

Write one past passive sentence: What was done for you at home?



Homework

Write about your priorities with five sequence words.



Read at home

Read Lesson D: A Zero-Waste Lifestyle. Find what zero-waste people do.