

# The Passive Voice

CHANGE THE SENTENCES from active to passive. For example:

ACTIVE: Fleming discovered penicillin.  
PASSIVE: Penicillin was discovered by Fleming

It is not always necessary to mention the *subject* (for example, Fleming) in a passive sentence.

ACTIVE: They noticed a reduction in body temperature.  
PASSIVE: A reduction in body temperature was noticed.

1. Work carried out in the USA has influenced the development of the serum.  
PASSIVE: .....
2. They injected the patient with morphine.  
PASSIVE: .....
3. The doctor is using a bronchoscope to inspect the inside of the lungs.  
PASSIVE: .....
4. The police arrested him for misuse of drugs.  
PASSIVE: .....
5. They are going to refer the patient to a consultant.  
PASSIVE: .....
6. The lab had found traces of the drug in the blood sample.  
PASSIVE: .....
7. A blood clot blocked the artery.  
PASSIVE: .....
8. Refuse from the factories contaminated supplies of drinking water.  
PASSIVE: .....
9. They can treat a high proportion of cancers by surgery.  
PASSIVE: .....
10. If gangrene sets in they will have to amputate his toes.  
PASSIVE: .....
11. His doctor has banned him from drinking alcohol.  
PASSIVE: .....
12. Therapists sometimes hypnotize their patients.  
PASSIVE: .....
13. That hospital is developing a new procedure for dealing with Parkinson's disease.  
PASSIVE: .....
14. You should heat the solution to 25°.  
PASSIVE: .....
15. The police rejected him because of his medical record.  
PASSIVE: .....