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The Voice

Level 3: ★★ ★

1. Change into passive voice, making it suitable for a newspaper report:

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| a) Someone stole the jewels last night. | e) People celebrate the festival every year. |
| b) The police arrested the thief. | f) Someone broke the window. |
| c) They built the bridge in 2005. | g) They planted 200 trees last week. |
| d) They opened the new library yesterday. | h) The scientists discovered a new planet. |

2. Change into the active voice:

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| a) The room is cleaned by him. | e) An apple is eaten by Tom. |
| b) A letter is written by her. | f) TV is watched by us. |
| c) Football is played by them. | g) The door is opened by them. |
| d) The boy is helped by the teacher. | h) The clothes are washed by her. |

3. Change into passive and explain whether the meaning is a request, order, or instruction:

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| a) Open the window. | d) Write the letter. | g) Plant the tree. |
| b) Clean the room. | e) Post the parcel. | h) Repair the chair. |
| c) Wash the clothes. | f) Switch off the light. | i) Read the passage. |

4. Spot the unnecessary agent (Doer can be dropped). Rewrite without it:

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| a) Milk is sold by the shop every day. | d) Football is played by children in the park. |
| b) Rice is grown by farmers in India. | e) Trees are planted by them in the garden. |
| c) The news is read by us daily. | f) Tea is grown by people in Assam. |

5. Change into passive voice using both direct and indirect objects:

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| a) She gave me a book. | e) She taught them English. |
| b) He sent her a letter. | f) He offered me a job. |
| c) They told us a story. | g) They asked him a question. |
| d) The teacher showed me a picture. | h) We gave her a gift. |

6. Each sentence has an error in the passive voice. Correct it and explain briefly.

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| a) The letter was write by her. | e) A story is told by she. |
| b) English is spoke in many countries. | f) The door will opened tomorrow. |
| c) The car was being repair yesterday. | g) The food are cooked by the chef. |
| d) The room was clean by the boy. | h) The book was being reads by him. |

7. Rewrite these with both direct and indirect object passives. Which one sounds more natural?

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| a) She gave me a book. | e) She sent him a letter. |
| b) He told us a story. | f) He asked me a question. |
| c) The teacher showed me a picture. | g) We gave her a gift. |
| d) They offered her a job. | h) They taught us English. |