

The passive voice – Mixed tenses – End of school year

At the end of each school year British schools celebrate their past year. The students can invite friends and family and they show them what they have achieved or how good they have become at some activities.

EXAMPLES:

• British schools celebrate their past year.

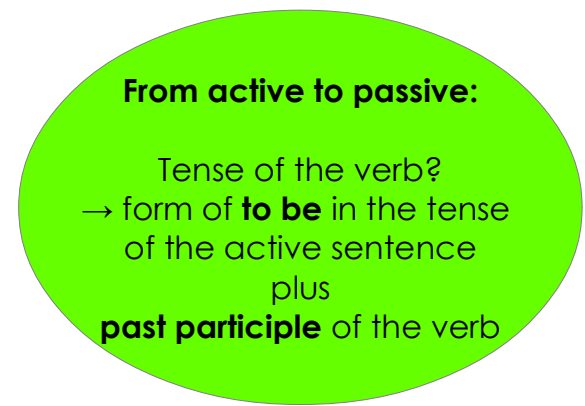
→ Their past year is celebrated.

• The students can invite friends and family ...

→ Friends and family can be invited ...

• ... and they show them what they have achieved.

→ ... and they are shown what has been achieved.



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Here are the activities.	Make passive constructions WITHOUT the by-agent, please.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The school's youngest have prepared a short theatre play with a funny ghost.• Class 6 students bought ice cream which they will sell in their decorated classroom.• Class 7 has made cupcakes which they will serve together with English tea.• The students in class 8 have put up a labyrinth made of painted boards.• Class 9 had taken pictures during their US exchange time. Now they are displaying these photos in a guided tour.• Class 10 filmed a video about a day at school. They will present their film.• The music course has rehearsed many old and new songs which the artists will play in the café.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A short theatre play with a funny ghost has been prepared.• Ice cream was bought which will be sold in the decorated classroom.• Cupcakes have been made which will be served together with English tea.• A labyrinth made of painted boards has been put up.• Pictures had been taken during the US exchange time. Now these photos are being displayed in a guided tour.• A video about a day at school was filmed. This film will be presented.• Many old and new songs have been rehearsed which will be played in the café.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The art course had already painted teachers with their typical gestures or facial expressions. They are exhibiting these amusing paintings as a quiz in all the corridors. • The sport students will demonstrate gymnastic exercises in the gym. • The geography and history courses have printed a quiz about the city's sights. The best can win a guided picnic tour. • The French course always makes crêpes. So the students will offer them this time too. • The English and German courses interpreted English and German proverbs. They will present their findings in a slapstick comedy. • The biology course is responsible for the decoration. These students picked wild flowers and tree branches. This is why visitors can find huge vases full of colourful arrangements everywhere. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teachers with their typical gestures or facial expressions had already been painted. These amusing paintings are being exhibited as a quiz in all the corridors. • Gymnastic exercises will be demonstrated in the gym. • A quiz about the city's sights has been printed. A guided picnic tour can be won. • Crêpes are always made. So they will be offered this time too. • English and German proverbs were interpreted. The findings will be presented in a slapstick comedy. • The biology course is responsible for the decoration. Wild flowers and tree branches were picked. This is why huge vases full of colourful arrangements can be found everywhere.
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The chemistry course welcomes the guests. At the main entrance they will help them to find everything and they will give out bubbly colourful cocktails. • Maths and IT students have programmed games. All visitors can take part in these computer activities. • The Spanish and natural sciences courses have built a huge ship. On the ship's wobbly bridge¹ they will serve tortillas Españolas. • The religious education students have decorated a meditation room and offer a quiet retreat. • Latin experts reconstructed Roman baths. They put water in bath tubs and washing troughs² – cold, hot, bubbly, with herbal mixtures: take your pick! That will surely soothe³ aching feet. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The guests are welcomed. At the main entrance they will be helped to find everything and bubbly colourful cocktails will be given out. • Games have been programmed. Computer activities can be taken part in. • A huge ship has been built. On the ship's wobbly bridge tortillas Españolas will be served. • A meditation room has been decorated and a quiet retreat is offered. • Roman baths were reconstructed. Water was put in bath tubs and washing troughs – cold, hot, bubbly, with herbal mixtures: take your pick! Aching feet will surely be soothed. |
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1 a wobbly bridge = eine Wackelbrücke
 2 a washing trough = ein Waschzuber
 3 to soothe = beruhigen

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The photography club will clothe and primp⁴ their guests. Then they plan to take a picture next to a celebrity's paper statue. The dressed-up people can carry their pictures home, of course. • The social studies students have written a text for a news programme. They will read this to their visitors – but they will fill the news with humorous mistakes and the audience must shout “FAKE” when they spot a mistake. • The economics course had founded a company. This company felts⁵ covers for tech gadgets. The students do not only present their reports and accounts, but they also sell their big sellers⁶. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The guests will be clothed and (will be) primped. A picture is planned to be taken. The pictures can be carried home, of course. • A text for a news programme has been written. This will be read to the visitors – but the news will be filled with humorous mistakes and “FAKE” must be shouted when a mistake is spotted. • A company had been founded. Covers for tech gadgets are felted. The reports and accounts are not only presented, but the big sellers are also sold.
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You see – the party offers everything and more! Just take a look and enjoy...

4 to primp = stylen
5 to felt = filzen, aus Filz herstellen
6 a big seller = ein Verkaufsschlager