

Active to Passive Practice

Change the following sentences from active to passive IF POSSIBLE. (If not possible, write "not possible.") Use the "by" phrase only if it provides useful information.

1. The school requires all students to register before they attend class.

All students are required to register before they attend class.

2. Voters have elected Jack Murphy to the city council by a large majority.

Jack Murphy has been elected to the city council by a large majority.

3. A small boy saw the missing woman by the lake late yesterday afternoon.

The missing woman was seen by the lake by a small boy yesterday afternoon.

4. In the United States, people celebrate Labor Day in early September.

In the United States, Labor Day is celebrated in early September.

5. Many busy students use microwaves to prepare meals.

Microwaves are used by many busy students to prepare meals.

6. Glaciers formed the Great Lakes about 250,000 years ago.

The Great Lakes were formed by glaciers about 250,000 years ago.

7. The cook is preparing the meal right at this moment.

The meal is being prepared right at this moment.

8. The plane arrived in Charlotte at 3pm on Saturday.

Not possible