

Passive Voice with 被

Without an agent: The simplest way to form the passive is to simply add 被 before the verb. You can often translate this to “was verbed” or “was verben”.

我的车被偷了。 My car was stolen.

subject+被+verb

With an agent: The agent always comes after 被, then is followed by the verb. You can often translate this to “was verbed by agent” or “was verben by agent”.

我的车被王先生偷了。 My car was stolen by mister Wang.

subject+被+agent+verb

Because passive sentences that use 被 are often in the completed aspect, you will usually see 没(if negative), 有, and/or 了 somewhere nearby, but not always.

他被对手击倒。 He was knocked down by his opponent.

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或者把老虎打死，或者被老虎吃掉，二者必居其一。
Either kill the tiger, or be killed by him, one way or the other.

Quote by 毛泽东

他刚才被一个百分之百的陌生人搂了一下。他还记得自己被叫做什么『麻瓜』，天知道那是什么意思。

Lit. “He a moment ago by a 100% stranger hugged a bit. He also/still self be called some 'Magua', heaven knows this is what meaning.

He had just been hugged by a complete stranger. He also remembered being called a “Muggle”, God knows what that is.

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