

**Convert each sentence from active to passive or from passive to active, leave as is, or make another change to make each sentence convey a more precise meaning. Justify your decision.**

1. The window was broken.

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2. Whenever my family went camping, the emergency flashlight was left behind.

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3. Marlon Byrd of the Chicago Cubs was knocked down by Alfredo Aceves with a hard, inside fastball.

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4. Fifteen oak seedlings were planted by Mrs. Vigil's second grade class.

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5. Biological diversity is considered a crucial survival issue by Professor Edward O. Wilson of Harvard University.

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6. The cashier was commended by the branch manager for her tactful handling of an irate customer.

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7. The wet umbrella was removed from the table by the server.

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8. The police officer was angered by Jason when Jason refused to present his identification card.

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9. The 2010 - 2011 budget was not approved by the appropriations committee.

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10. The playground area was left in a shambles after the birthday party.

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11. Dirk Nowitzki was guarded by Lebron James during the third quarter of Wednesday night's championship game.

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12. Five hundred pounds of illegal drugs were confiscated by the Coast Guard in January of 2011.

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13. Thirty-seven migrants were found by Homeland Security inside a small van trying to cross the border in the middle of the desert.

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14. The Toyota Prius is manufactured in Japan by Japanese workers.

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15. A bill to force state employees to contribute to the retirement plan was signed by Governor Rick Scott yesterday.

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16. Victor was given the science award by the selection committee for his outstanding project on salt-water intrusion in the Biscayne aquifer.

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