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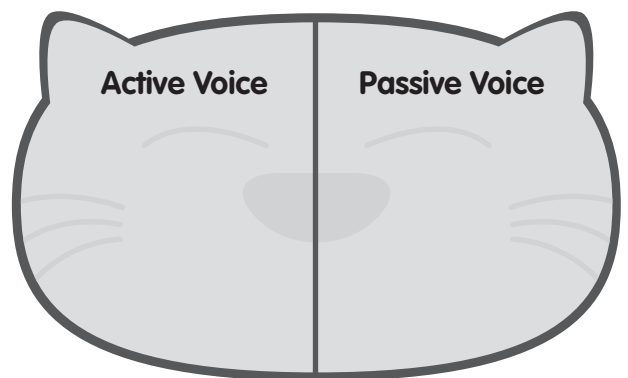
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C. Rewrite the sentences to change the voice.

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2. Janice is picked up from school by her father most afternoons.

3. Ryan and Lisa manoeuvre the big, red canoe with ease.

4. Both dogs are loved equally by Stella, their owner.

5. The lion cubs' protective mother carries and cleans them.

6. The Louvre, the Eiffel Tower, and the Sacred Heart were seen by me when I was in Paris.



Check the sentences in which the doer of the action can be left out if they are written in the passive voice.

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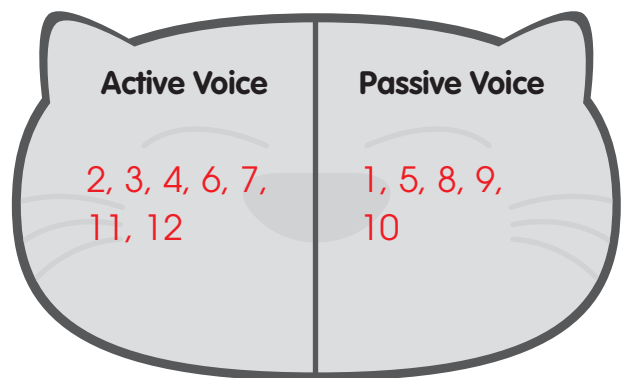
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(Suggested answers)

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