Torri Raines Independent Project Fall 2015 Passive Voice tense chart

This chart gives examples of the most common verb tenses used in passive voice. Passive voice can be used to emphasize the object and allows for the subject to be left out if needed. In the passive voice, the subject and object switch places. The perfect continuous tenses and future continuous tense are rarely used in the passive voice and are not included in this chart.

Verb Tense	Active voice example	Passive voice example
Simple present	He hugs the dog.	The dog is hugged by him.
Present continuous	They are watching us.	We are being watched by them.
Present perfect	She <i>has seen</i> that movie already.	That movie <i>has been seen</i> by her.
Simple past	I hit the wall.	The wall <i>was hit</i> by me.
Past continuous	We <i>were eating</i> dinner when the telephone rang.	Dinner was being eaten by us when the telephone rang.
Past perfect	You had completed your homework before you played video games.	Your homework had been completed by you before you played video games.
Simple future	She will buy new shoes.	New shoes will be bought by her.
Future perfect	She will have finished the assignment by the time we get to the second problem!	The assignment will have been finished by her by the time we get to the second problem!

Activities:

- 1. Underline the subject and circle the object in all of the passive voice examples.
- 2. How is the passive voice formed?