

## **Tightening Passive Sentences: Exercise 2**

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All of the following sentences are without agents. Revise each of them by adding an appropriate agent and putting the sentence into active form.

Example sentence: The boat was pulled ashore.

Revision:                Three lifeguards pulled the boat ashore.

1. The clock was smashed.
2. The usual suspects were rounded up.
3. The problem was quickly solved.
4. The transmitter was destroyed.
5. They were ordered to return.
6. The novel was finally finished in October.
7. A great deal of anxiety was caused.
8. Two hostages had been wounded.

9. The voters were promised lower taxes.

10. The fingerprints had been wiped off the cup.