

EXERCISES

IMPERSONAL PASSIVE

1. People *believe* that English **is** the most widely spoken language
 - *It is believed* that English **is** the most widely spoken language.
 - English *is believed to be* the most widely spoken language.
2. Police *have reported* that it was Peter who **caused** the accident.
 - *It has been reported* that it was Peter who **caused** the accident.
 - Peter *has been reported to have caused* the accident.
3. A journalist *reports* that they **are leaving** Las Vegas tomorrow night.
 - It _____
 - They _____
4. The lecturer *thought* that Columbus never **realized** that he had discovered America.
 - It _____
 - Columbus _____
5. Their parents *thought* that the teenagers **were dancing** at the disco.
 - It _____
 - The teenagers _____
6. Everybody *thinks* that she **sings** beautifully
 - _____
 - _____
7. The children *reported* that their friends **were swimming** when they disappeared.
 - _____
 - _____
8. People *believed* that they **had killed** the animals during the night.
 - _____
 - _____
9. My friends think that my parents are the best parents in the world.
 - _____
 - _____
10. They believed that the horse was a present.
 - _____
 - _____
11. People are thinking that drugs are very dangerous.
 - _____
 - _____
12. They knew that Mr. Brown was stealing iron from the factory.
 - _____
 - _____
13. Ancient people thought that the stars would fall on them.
 - _____
 - _____
14. People consider that the team will be classified for the final.
 - _____
 - _____
15. Everybody says that he settled the business.
 - _____
 - _____
16. The reporters believed that the meeting would finish soon.
 - _____
 - _____

17. They have thought the sportsmen are arriving today.

- _____
- _____

18. Citizens presume that the government is responsible for the accident.

- _____
- _____

19. The newspapers are reporting that the most outstanding athletes represent their country.

- _____
- _____

20. The shareholders thought that the group had rejected the offer.

- _____
- _____

21. They say that the meeting will be held here

- _____
- _____

22. The hooligans expected that their team would win

- _____
- _____

MIXED TYPES

1. The students all know that Shakespeare was born in Stratford.

1 We saw the baby crawl towards the window.

2 My parents used to let me go out at night.

3 In the Middle Ages, people thought the devil sometimes got into their bodies

4 The teacher helped his students finish the exercise.

5 Reporters at the airport are expecting that the president will be arriving soon.

6 My mother always made me do the housework.

7 Football fans have thought that their team is arriving today.

8 Everybody knew that Peter had copied at his access exam.

9 Doctors consider that lung cancer will have a cure in the next fifty years.

10 The police always thought that he had escaped and that he was living in Sweden.

11 We could usually hear an opera singer singing upstairs.

12 The headmaster made them sit down and stay there until 5 o'clock.

13 The usher didn't let us go into the theatre.

14 People in the town believed that the heavy rainfall was the reason for the bursting of the dam.