

The object becomes the subject. The subject becomes the object.

## ACTIVE VOICE

Joseph Strauss designed the Golden Gate Bridge.



## PASSIVE VOICE

The Golden Gate Bridge was designed by Joseph Strauss.

Use the data below to practice creating passive sentences.

### Golden Gate Bridge Data

Location	the entrance to San Francisco Bay; San Francisco, California
Designer	Joseph Strauss
Year Completed	1937
Reason for Construction	to continue the roadway from the southern San Francisco peninsula to the northern Marin County peninsula
Description	double tower; suspension bridge; bright orange or "gold"
*Height	the roadway above the water -500 feet; the towers 746 feet
*Length	8,981 feet
*Cost	35.5 million dollars
Special Features	a pedestrian walkway on the eastern side; a spectacular view; a six-lane roadway
Current Uses	a busy roadway for commuters; an attraction for tourists

- \*Mistakes to Avoid
- \*The bridge has sidewalks on both sides .  
Use: There are sidewalks .
  - \*It has 8,981 feet length. / \*It's long is 8,981 / \*The length is 8,981 feet  
Use: It is X feet long. / Its length is X feet. / It is an X -foot long bridge.
  - \*Its 746 feet height / It's high 746 feet /  
Use: It is X feet high. / Its height is X feet. / It is an X-foot tall tower.
  - \*It was costed a million dollars. Use: It cost .  
Use: "it cost" because *cost* does not take passive voice.