Passives and Actives(2)

Active English *is when the person/thing doing the verb* (*action*) *is said before the verb*

Amy **cooks** food for everyone. (*Amy* = person ; **cooks** = verb)
The teacher **taught** us math. (*The teacher* = person ; **taught =** verb)

Passive English *is when the person/thing doing the verb* (*action*) *is not said before the verb* (*sometimes after with* "by")

** This form uses: be + p.p. verb

Food is **cooked** for everyone (by *Amy*). (**is cooked** = verb)
We were taught math (by *the teacher*). (**were taught** = verb)

Fill in the blanks using the **active** *or* **passive** tenses:

ex.) (speak → spoke → spoken)

a) Americans ____speak____English.
b) English ____is spoken____ by Americans.

1. **(grow → grew → grown)**
   a) Corn _____ on the farm last year (by farmers).
   b) Farmers _____ corn on the farm last year.

2. **(sell → sold → sold)**
   a) Newspapers _____ at the station kiosk on Sunday.
   b) The station kiosk _____ newspapers on Sunday.

3. (**build → built → built**)
   a) This house _____ 50 years ago by my grandfather.
   b) My grandfather _____ this house 50 years ago.

4. **(take → took → taken)**
   a) A photographer _____ our school photos last year.
   b) Our school photos _____ by a photographer last year.

5. **(find → found → found)**
   a) The lost cat _____ by a small boy in a park.
   b) A small boy _____ the lost cat in a park.

6. **(give → gave → given)**
   a) Santa Claus _____ presents to kids all over the world.
   b) Kids all over the world _____ presents by Santa Claus.