Active and Passive Verbs

Directions: Identify whether the sentence is active or passive. If the sentence is passive, convert it to active; if it’s active, convert it to passive.

Example:  Elizabeth wrote the letter. (passive / active)
Passive: The letter was written by Elizabeth.

1. The cat scratched Jim. (passive / active)
   Passive: Jim was scratched by the cat.

2. All the cookies must have been eaten by the children. (passive / active)
   Active: The children must have eaten all the cookies.

3. The history test was failed by half of the students in Mrs. Lew’s history class. (passive / active)
   Active: Half of the students in Mrs. Lew’s history class failed the history test.

4. Katie slammed the brakes of the car. (passive / active)
   Passive: The brakes of the car were slammed by Katie.

5. The teammates notified Jimmy that his basketball game was cancelled. (passive / active)
   Passive: Jimmy was notified by his teammates that his basketball game was cancelled.

6. Research will be presented by Raj at the conference. (passive / active)
   Active: Raj will present his research at the conference.

7. The dress was worn by Susie. (passive / active)
   Active: Susie wore the dress.

8. Kristin sips on her large smoothie. (passive / active)
   Passive: The large smoothie is sipped by Kristin.

9. The ballots are being counted by the committee. (passive / active)
   Active: The committee is counting the ballots.

10. James fixed the laptop. (passive / active)
    Passive: The laptop was fixed by James.