Active and Passive Voice

Choose one answer per question. Circle A, B, C, or D.

1. Which sentence is in the active voice?
   A. The crew raised the sail.
   B. The sail was raised.
   C. The sail is being raised.
   D. The sail has been raised.

2. Which sentence is in the passive voice?
   A. Our neighbor delivered the parcel.
   B. The bicycle arrived before noon.
   C. The parcel was delivered before noon.
   D. The delivery van left at noon.

3. In the passive version of ‘The children painted the fence,’ what is the grammatical subject?
   A. The children
   B. The fence
   C. Painted
   D. By the children

4. Choose the passive rewrite of ‘Mira repaired the lantern.’
   A. The lantern has repaired Mira.
   B. Mira was repaired by the lantern.
   C. The lantern will be repaired by Mira.
   D. The lantern was repaired by Mira.

5. How can ‘Workers sort the letters each evening’ be made passive without changing its tense?
   A. The letters were sorted each evening.
   B. The letters are sorted each evening.
   C. The letters have been sorted each evening.
   D. The workers are sorting the letters each evening.

6. Who performed the action in ‘The hill was surveyed by a team of students’?
   A. A team of students
   B. The hill
   C. The people reading the survey
   D. The sentence leaves the agent unnamed

7. Which passive rewrite keeps an unknown actor unnamed: ‘Someone left the gate unlocked’?

A. The gate had left someone unlocked.
B. Someone was left unlocked by the gate.
C. The gate will be left unlocked by the caretaker.
D. The gate was left unlocked.

8. Choose the passive equivalent of ‘They are testing the alarm now.’

A. The alarm was being tested now.
B. The alarm has been tested now.
C. The alarm is being tested now.
D. The alarm will be tested now.

9. Choose the passive version of ‘Visitors must wear badges.’

A. Badges must be worn by visitors.
B. Badges must have worn visitors.
C. Badges have been worn by visitors.
D. Visitors must be worn by badges.

10. Which passive rewrite keeps the meaning of ‘The judges did not count the late votes’?

A. The judges were not counted by the late votes.
B. The late votes had not counted the judges.
C. The late votes are not counted by the judges.
D. The late votes were not counted by the judges.

11. Choose the passive equivalent of ‘The team has marked the trail.’

A. The trail is being marked by the team.
B. The trail had been marked by the team.
C. The trail has been marked by the team.
D. The trail was marking the team.

12. Why does ‘The passengers slept’ have no ordinary passive rewrite?

A. Passengers is plural.
B. Slept has no direct object in this sentence.
C. Slept is in the past tense.
D. The sentence has no verb.

13. Turn ‘The field had been measured by the engineers’ into the active voice without changing its tense.

A. The engineers were measuring the field.
B. The engineers have measured the field.
C. The engineers measured the field.
D. The engineers had measured the field.

14. Which passive question keeps the tense and meaning of ‘When will the crew close the tunnel?’

A. When will the tunnel be closed by the crew?
B. When was the tunnel closed by the crew?
C. When will the crew be closed by the tunnel?
D. When is the tunnel being closed by the crew?

15. Which rewrite keeps the cracked panel first and leaves its unknown replacer unnamed?

A. The cracked panel has replaced a worker.
B. Someone has replaced the cracked panel.
C. The cracked panel has been replaced.
D. The cracked panel has been replaced by a technician.