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There are 26 meanings listed in OED's entry for the word *passive*, two of which are labelled obsolete. See "Meaning & use" for definitions, usage, and quotation evidence.

passive implies immobility or lack of normally expected response to an external force or influence and often suggests deliberate submissiveness or self-control.

PASSIVE definition: not reacting visibly to something that might be expected to produce manifestations of an emotion or feeling. See examples of *passive* used in a sentence.

(grammar) Being in the *passive* voice. (psychology) Being inactive and submissive in a relationship, especially in a sexual one. (finance) Not participating in management. ...

Grammar (opposed to *active*) of, relating to, or being a voice, verb form, or construction that expresses an action that is done to rather than by the subject: In a *passive* sentence, the ...

"Catrin told me" is an *active* sentence, and "I was told by Catrin" is *passive*. In a *passive* sentence, the subject is the person or thing affected by the action of the verb.

The *passive* voice is a way of writing or speaking that uses *passive* verbs. The sentence "The house was destroyed by the tornado" is written in the *passive* voice.

When you're *passive*, you don't participate much and you're not very emotional. In chemistry, *passive* means to be "unreactive except under special or extreme conditions; inert."

Used to describe a form of verb in which the grammatical subject is the object of the action, for example, the sentence "The government took steps." in the *passive* would be "Steps were ..."

If you describe someone as passive, you mean that they do not take action but instead let things happen to them.

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