



Rewrite a news story using the active voice

News stories use the active voice to make the action, the subject and the object clear, simple and straight to the point.

Re-write this report for an online news story using active voice. Don't repeat facts and avoid using unnecessary information.

Try to reduce this story from 78 words down to the target length of 22 words.

On Friday two men were arrested. They had left their car parked in a side street and walked to the shop nearby.

Although the shop was well lit and close to closing time the two attendants were packing up when two men entered.

The shop attendants noticed the men enter and rang the police because they looked suspicious. Police attended the scene and arrested two men fleeing the shop. They were wearing black pants, jeans and baseball caps.

Share your completed story with other class members.