#### Review 5

Class Objective: to revise all the previous concepts.

### **Concept A:Sentence Pattern 3**

1. Passive sentences.

The sentences with an implied passive voice.

In some Chinese sentences the subject is the recipient of the action. Such sentences, though passive in meaning, are no different in form from sentences with the subject as the agent of the action.

Example: 那篇文章已经写完了。

Nà piān wénzhāng yǐjīng xiě wánle.

That article has been written.

● 他的成绩提高了很多。

Tā de chéngjī tígāole hěnduō. His grades have improved a lot.

### 2. bèi (被),ràng (让)和 jiào (叫)

The construction with 被, 让 or 叫 carries a passive meaning. The predicate verb is usually followed by other elements indicating result, degree or time of the action. The word order of such a sentence is as follows.

Subject (the recipient) + 被/让/叫 + object of preposition (the agent) + verb + other elements.

Example:

他的照相机叫弟弟拿走了。

Tā de zhàoxiàngjī jiào dìdì ná zǒule.

His camera was taken by his brother.

### 李向东让汽车撞伤了

Lixiangdong rang qìche zhuang shangle

Li Xiangdong injured his car

If there is a negative adverb or auxiliary verb, it should be placed 被, 让 or 叫。

example: 那本小说没让人借走。

Nà běn xiǎoshuō méi ràng rén jiè zǒu.

The novel was not borrowed.

If the 让, 被 or 叫 sentences has to be interrogative then 吗 should be added at the end of sentence

Example: 那本小说没让人借走了吗?

Nà běn xiǎoshuō méi ràng rén jiè zǒu le ma?

Has the book been borrowed?

- 3. Common被sentences:
- 面包被妹妹吃了。(Miànbāo bèi mèimei chī le.)
  The bread has been eaten by my younger sister.

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