

Word	Definition
old-fashioned	something from the past
interactive	responds to what is done to it
download	taking from the internet to your own computer
exhibit	a show or display at a museum / gallery

Who wrote this letter? Do you think they are young or old?

Leigh. Young because they live with parents and go to school.

There are lots of names in this letter. Names can be formal or informal. Find two examples of informal and formal names.

Formal	Informal
Mr Turnbull	Little Sam
Mrs Watkins	The Reds

Do you think the writer of this letter is a boy or a girl? Why?

I think Leigh is a girl because of the spelling of her name.

There are two words that are stressed in paragraph 6. How and why are they stressed?

- 1) WARNING: it is in capital letters as it is important.
- 2) still: it is underlined to show that his crying goes on for ages.

Why can't Leigh ride the bike?

It has a puncture.



Tick whether each statement is true or false.

	True	False
Max has broken his leg.	x	
It happened during the Christmas holiday.		x
If Max visits, he will travel by coach.		x
Leigh supports Manchester United.		x



After reading the whole letter, why do you think Leigh's family moved house?

In order to have more space and another bedroom.



Read the P.S. at the end of the letter. Why has the letter been handwritten?

The internet isn't working so emails can't be sent.



Why do you think Leigh apologises at the start of her letter?

Because she isn't sending an email as usual but writing a letter.

Extension activity

Mum thinks 'the old-fashioned ways are best' because they don't break down and are reliable.

Mum thinks 'the old-fashioned ways are best' but Leigh disagrees and is embarrassed by writing the letter.

The internet is disconnected so Leigh can't download music or send emails.