

EXERCISE 3

Read the letter from Rachel to her penfriend Susie. Then complete the exercise.

Dear Susie,

Thank you for your letter. I'm writing to tell you about the sports I enjoy doing. I like playing tennis and swimming, but my favourite sport is cycling. I got my first bike when I was 8, and I started cycling to school with my sister, Helen, when I was 12. Now my sister goes to a different school, so I ride to school with my friend Laura. At the weekend, I often go cycling in the countryside with my parents and Helen. We cycle all day and take a picnic for lunch. We go cycling in winter and summer, but I prefer cycling in winter because the countryside looks pretty. I like taking photos on my phone of the trees and animals.

I also go on cycling holidays with my family. We usually go to the north of England, but last summer, we went to the mountains in the south of Spain. We all enjoyed cycling in the day and going to restaurants in the evenings. It was sometimes difficult to cycle in Spain. It was not difficult to cycle in the mountains because we had mountain bikes, but the weather was very hot, so we got quite tired. I would like to go cycling in Spain again next summer, but my parents want to go cycling in Scotland.

I also cycle for my school team. My friend Laura joined the team two years ago, and I joined last year. We race against cyclists from other schools. Last year, I won second prize in the 10km race. I was really happy, but next year I will try to win first prize.

In your next letter, please tell me about the sports you like. What is your favourite sport? Are you in a team?

Hope to hear from you soon.

Best wishes,

Rachel

Complete the sentences with words from the text. Write one word only in each gap. Read the letter on the first screen again to help you.

1. Rachel's favourite sport is _____.
2. She got her first bike when she was _____.
3. She often goes cycling with her parents at the _____.

4. In the summer, Rachel's family normally go cycling in _____ .
5. It was sometimes difficult to cycle in Spain because it was _____ .
6. She is on the cycling _____ at school.
7. Rachel would like to know about the _____ Susie likes.
8. She would also like to know if Susie is in a _____ .