

An email to a pen-friend

1 Read the first two sentences in the text. What is the email about?
 2 Listen, read and check.

To: Karen
 From: Kelly
 Subject: My new house

How are you? I'm so excited about my new house and I can't wait for you to come and see it.
 It's in a quiet street opposite the park and it's near my new school. It's very big with a huge garden and a garage. It's got a large living room, a modern kitchen and two bedrooms. My favourite room is my bedroom. It's got a large bed, a desk with my computer on it and a huge wardrobe. I've got posters of my favourite bands on the walls.
 Next Sunday is my birthday party. Do come.
 Write soon,
 Kelly

5 Read the theory. Find examples in the email, then put the words in the correct order. see p. GR4

Adjectives describe nouns. They can go before nouns or after the verb to be. *My flat is big. It's a very beautiful flat.*

- 1 house/my/small/is
- 2 got/it's/nice/garden/a
- 3 living room/got/has/the/furniture/modern
- 4 house/my/street/busy/is/a/in
- 5 is/there/garage/a/big

Writing (an informal email about your house)

6 Answer the questions.

- 1 Where's your house?
- 2 What rooms are there?
- 3 What's your favourite room? What's in it?

7 Portfolio: Use your answers in Ex. 6 to write an email to your friend describing your house (50-70 words). Follow the plan.

Plan

Hi ...
 Para 1: greeting, opening remarks (*Thanks for your email about your house!*)
 Para 2: where your house is, what rooms there are, (*My house is ... near ... It's ...*) your favourite room (*My favourite room is It has got ... There is also ...*)
 Para 3: closing remarks (*That's all for now.*)

2 Which of the following are there in Kelly's email?

- Kelly's address
- where her house is
- how big it is
- what there is in each room
- who is in Kelly's family

3 Read the theory. Is it the same in your language?

Writing Tip

Punctuation

We use a full stop (.) at the end of affirmative and negative sentences. We use question marks (?) at the end of questions. We use a comma (,) to separate a list of items. We use an exclamation mark (!) at the end of sentences that express strong feelings.

4 Complete the sentences with the correct punctuation.

Use: (.), (?), (,), (!).

- 1 Where is the baker's
- 2 It's fantastic
- 3 There are two banks on Princess Street
- 4 The flat has got a living room a kitchen a bathroom and two bedrooms
- 5 Is there a sports centre in the area