

# Reading: a description

1 Read the blog post, then complete the sentences.

## Lou's blog about school

9th March

### Describing Detectives

We had a really interesting class this morning. We talked about detectives. Detectives are a special type of police officer. Their job is to investigate serious crimes like murder. 'My sister used to be a detective,' said Mr Garcia. 'Wow!' I said. 'Did she enjoy the job?' 'Yes, she did,' said Mr Garcia, 'but it wasn't easy.' Then he told us all about his sister's job. She used to work at night and used to work long hours. She had to look for clues. She had to interview suspects. She had to work really hard to solve the murders.

Later, Mr Garcia asked us to describe a detective. But he didn't want us to describe a real detective – we had to invent one. We had to give our detective a name and describe his or her daily life. I called my detective Inspector Bach. This was my description of him: Inspector Bach didn't have any hair, but he had a beard and moustache. There was a scar on the end of his nose. He liked to touch the scar. Inspector Bach used to work on solving murders. He used to solve his crimes in an unusual way: by listening to music. 'I always get my best ideas then,' he said. Inspector Bach used to work on his own. 'I like to be quiet,' he said. 'It helps me think.'



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- 1 Mr Garcia's sister used to be a detective.
- 2 Mr Garcia's sister \_\_\_\_\_ for clues.
- 3 Mr Garcia asked Lou's class to invent their own \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4 Lou called his detective \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5 Lou's detective \_\_\_\_\_ his crimes by listening to music.

**1** Describe members of your family. Use the words from the box.

beard moustache blonde fair dark curly straight long short

- 1 \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 \_\_\_\_\_

## Help with Writing

When you write a description of someone, you want the reader to imagine what they look like. You can do this by using interesting details. For example, Lou tells us that Inspector Bach had a scar on the end of his nose.

**2** Invent your own detective. Write a description of him or her. Use Lou's description of Inspector Bach to help you. Include:

- Your detective's name.
- A description of his or her hair, eyes, height, etc.
- The things your detective used to do and had to do.

**My detective:**

6th January