

Does your letter to Santa include...

the sender's address?	
the date?	
an appropriate greeting?	
an introduction?	
vocabulary that shows a friendly, chatty style?	
expanded noun phrases?	
different types of sentences?	
a variety of conjunctions?	
words from the year 1/year 2 spelling list?	
a conclusion?	
an informal signoff?	
the sender's name or signature at the end?	

Word Bank

accident	explain	knock	promise
answer	fancy	magic	questions
behaviour	favourite	mistake	reply
behind	floor	nicest	special
careful	hopeful	polite	write
effort	kind	present	wrong

Informal Greetings

- Dear
- **Dearest**
- My friend
- **Hiya**
- Hello
- **Hi**

Informal Signoffs

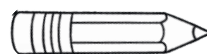
- **All the best**
- Best wishes
- **Love**
- Your friend
- **From**

Sentence Starters

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| I promise I will... | I would also like a ... |
| I didn't really mean to... | I will make up for it by... |
| This year, I would like... | I will play with it all the time... |
| I'm sorry but... | I've got my heart set on... |
| It was an accident... | I was great when... |
| I've tried very hard to be good... | |

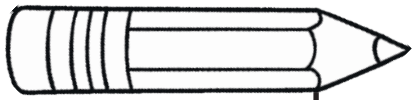
Expanded Noun Phrases

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| ...her long hair... | ...the new, cream rug... |
| ...an amazing book... | ...those ballet shoes... |
| ...my favourite action film... | ...many Christmas biscuits... |



Conjunctions

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|-------|------|---------|-------|-----|
| and | that | because | | |
| | when | if | or | but |



A Letter to Santa

Key Features

sender's address

25 Memory Lane
Curling Fern Farm
Hampshire
SO22 5AX
16th October 2019

Key Features

conjunctions

date

Hiya Santa,

conclusion

How are you? I am writing to you today to tell you about what I would like for Christmas this year. I know I haven't always been good but I promise you that I've only made a few mistakes.

greeting

First, I'd like to make sure that you know that I didn't mean to get in trouble. It was an accident when I flooded Grandma's bathroom last summer. I was only trying to give my beautiful stuffed dog a bath. It was a great shock to me when water poured all over the floor. Poor Grandma!

complimentary close

introduction

I didn't really mean to spray a fizzy drink all over Mum's new green sofa and soft cream carpet. Mum told me not to take the bottle off the kitchen table but I couldn't help myself. I only wanted a taste when I ran off with it around the house. How was I to know that it would spray all over when I tried to open it? Be kind Santa and forgive me.

signature

year 1/year 2 spelling words

I will make up for it by cleaning my room up after school every day. My teacher says that I'm the most kind pupil at school and I have improved how I talk to everybody. He also told my parents that I am the best maths pupil in my whole class. Ask him yourself Santa!

expanded noun phrases

The presents that I would like this year are a brown puppy, a pack of cards and a new bunk bed. Please can I have a little, brown puppy? I promise I will take care of it and call it Sugar. I would like a pack of cards because Grandma showed me how to do a few card tricks and I need to practise. Dad says I can have sleepovers after Christmas if I have a new bunk bed. Do you think you could deliver one Santa?

I really am sorry for all the naughty things I did this year. I hope you will forgive me and use your Christmas magic to make all my wishes come true. I'll leave you a huge plate of biscuits if you do.

Your friend,

Corey Careful