

Text Structure and Language Features: Example 1

Text structure - Description

Introduction - identifies and classifies

Description

Evaluation (optional)

MY BIKE

My bike's a mountain bike. It has a bright red frame and black handlebars. There's a mirror on each side and a light at the front for night time.

There are 12 gears on my bike so it's easy to ride up the steep hills. The seat has a leather cover.

There's a metal holder on the back for a water bottle and a carrier for my school bag.

This bike's better than my old bike because it has more gears and it's much faster.

Language Features

Use of timeless present typical of descriptions of objects

Use of relating verbs to link qualities of object to the object e.g. It has a leather cover

Use of verbal contractions as a feature of oral language e.g. it's, (it is) bike's (bike is)

Use of prepositional phrases to show where things are and what they are for e.g. on the back, for night time

Use of empty subject e.g. there is

Use of adjectives to describe e.g. bright, red, leather, including comparatives e.g. better, faster

Use of statements to give information e.g. My bike's a mountain bike.