

UK NEWS

WALES

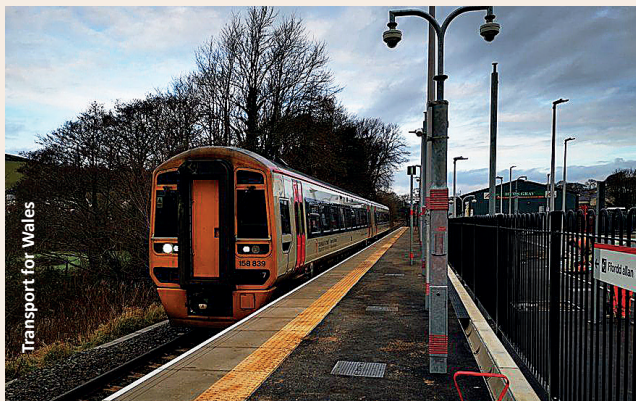
THE TRACK IS BACK!

A VILLAGE in Wales has welcomed its first train in 56 years.

A new station has just opened at Bow Street in Ceredigion. It means locals can catch a train for the first time since 1965.

Thousands of British stations were closed in the 1960s because people were choosing to travel by car instead of train. Now, we need to travel in more environmentally friendly ways to tackle climate change.

Once lockdown ends, it's hoped thousands of journeys will be made from the station, which is great news for the environment.



SUFFOLK

ART WITH A HEART



SINGER Ed Sheeran has donated one of his own paintings to raise money for charity.

The painting is called *Splash Planet*. It is being sold to raise money for Cancer Campaign in Suffolk, Ed's home county.

The charity said: "We are a small local charity and are so excited and grateful to Ed for showing his support for our work in making this terrific gift".

The artwork appeared on the cover of Ed's single *Afterglow*.

KENT

WHEELY COOL GIFT

AN 80-year-old paper 'boy' has been given an electric bike to help him on his round.

George Bailey delivers papers around the village of Headcorn in Kent. He has to be one of Britain's oldest paperboys!

Recently, George was considering retiring (stopping work) from his 2.5-mile paper round. But two British cycling companies – Raleigh and Evans Cycles – teamed up to give him a brand new e-bike. An e-bike has an electric motor that gives you a boost up hills!

George is thrilled and says he might carry on with his paper round now until he's 90!



Questions on: 'UK News'

1) Find the place.

- In _____, Ed Sheeran has donated a painting to charity.
- George Bailey has been given an e-bike in _____.
- In _____, a new train station has just opened.

Look at the news from Wales.

- 2) In which year did Bow Street station close?
- 3) a. How did transport change in the 1960s?
b. How does transport need to change now?

Look at the news from Suffolk.

- 4) Find the words that tell you Ed Sheeran is from Suffolk.
- 5) Where might people have seen this painting before?
- 6) Find **two words** that explain how the charity feels about being given this painting.

Look at the news from Kent.

7) Find the details about George Bailey.

His age:

His job:

His new gift:

8) Which two words has the writer combined to make a joke (a pun) in the headline?

For bonus points, look at the other two headlines. What common headline technique (style) can you spot in both?