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- 1 Callum has poor self-esteem and he uses a lot of negative self-talk. Grandpa gives Callum lots of good advice and positive comments. Search the text to find examples of positive and negative comments in the emails and write them in the table below.

Callum's negative comments	Pa's positive comments
a	a
b	b
c	c
d	d

- 2 Choose two words from the box below to describe each character's self-image. Use your thesaurus to help you. In the space provided, explain why you chose the two words.

Someone who is: <i>confident tough helpful popular inspiring uncoordinated an expert cool a failure funny talented a let-down</i>		
Pa Tippett	and	because
Callum Tippett	and	because
Harry Watson	and	because

- 3 Choose one syllable from each column to create a three-syllable word from the following pages.

re	y	er	Page 4	
<del>ear</del>	tire	ter	Page 6	
an	<del>li</del>	thing	Page 7	
when	ev	ment	Page 10	
com	pu	<del>er</del>	Page 12	
ar	thri	tis	Page 13	Earlier

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1 The author has included many common sayings in the story. What do the following sayings mean?

a Snail mail

\_\_\_\_\_

b Being the laughing stock

\_\_\_\_\_

c You're a natural

\_\_\_\_\_

d Going to pieces

\_\_\_\_\_

e Teaching someone a trick or two

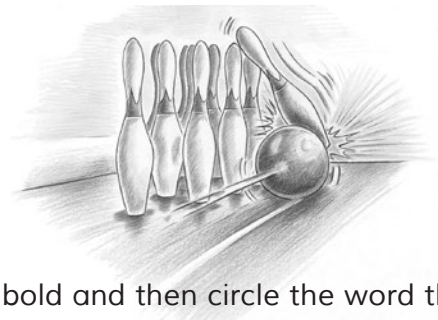
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f I was bowled over!

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2 Choose one of the sayings from above. On the back of this page, draw a funny picture to communicate the saying.

Find the seven computer terms mentioned in the story to make a word search puzzle.



3 Consider the meaning of the bowling terms shown in bold and then circle the word that fits each of the sentences below.

a Callum discovered that it was actually the **frames/bumpers** that were helping Harry play so well.

b Tanya invited Callum to be her partner for a **tournament/league** during the weekend.

c During a demonstration, the class teacher bowled a **strike/gutter bowl** for his second bowl.

d Callum received a **pass for two free games/a 125-game pin** for his achievements.

e The tournament finished after **ten/eight** competitive **frames/games**.