



Write like a **VICTORIAN**



Handwriting was very important in Victorian Times. You couldn't just pick up the phone to talk someone, so the only way to keep in touch was to write letters.

By the end of Victorian Era nearly all children got a chance to learn to read and write. Victorian teachers loved neat handwriting, with no crossings-out. People learned to write in a style we now call 'Copperplate' – the name comes from engraving work.

In *Clover Moon*, the teachers at *The Sarah Smith School for Destitute Girls* are surprised that Clover can write so neatly, when the other girls in her class all struggle. Have a go at writing in Copperplate style in the space below and see how you get on!

Aa Bb Cc Dd Ee Ff Gg Hh

Ii Jj Kk Ll Mm Nn Oo Pp

Qq Rr Ss Tt Uu Vv Ww Xx

Yy Zz

Try writing a sentence in Copperplate style below:

