

# WORD OF THE WEEK

How many times  
can you fit  
'infrastructure' into  
your work this  
week?

Other forms of the  
word:  
Infrastructural  
(adjective)

Definition:  
The basic physical  
structures and facilities  
needed for the  
operation of a society  
or enterprise.

**Infrastructure** (noun)

Example  
sentence:  
The war badly  
damaged the  
country's  
infrastructure.

When could you use  
this word?  
This word could be useful  
in subjects, including  
Geography and History,  
and also in the building  
industry

A POSTMAN who has been entertaining Westhoughton residents throughout lockdown with various fancy dress outfits will donate his tips to charity.

Mukesh Parmar, 51, has brightened up the town's streets over the last year by dressing up on his post round - including as a clown and as Santa Claus.

Raking in £700 in tips over the festive period while delivering to around 1,000 homes, he has now decided to donate it all to an online fundraiser - and is encouraging others to help out.

The fundraiser will benefit five different charities - Bolton Hospice, Cancer Research, NHS charities together, Alzheimer's UK and Young Minds.

Mukesh, who has lived in Westhoughton for 18 years, is now taking a well-earned month off after working non-stop since lockdown began in March 2020.

He said: "Being silly is part of my DNA.

"When lockdown started last year, it was so strange delivering on the silent streets of Westhoughton.

"I decided to brighten up people's days by dressing up as a clown, then as Santa during December.

**ANSWER THE COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS ON THE NEXT SLIDE**

- 1) What costumes did Mukesh Parmar wear?
- 2) How much did Parmar raise over Christmas?
- 3) Which charities have benefitted from Parmar's hard work?
- 4) What is part of his DNA?
- 5) How did he feel delivering during lockdown?
- 6) How would you describe Mukesh Parmar, using the information in the article?