

Reading Activity 1- Read the text about LS Lowry and complete the questions below

LS Lowry

Laurence Stephen Lowry lived during the Victorian times; he was born in 1887 and died of pneumonia in 1976 aged 88 years.

LS Lowry's Childhood.

L.S Lowry was an only child. His mother was called Elizabeth and his father was called Robert.

Elizabeth and Robert Lowry lived in a house in; **'Rusholme, where** there were lots of trees and parks near to where they lived and they were happy. After a few years Mr and Mrs Lowry didn't have enough money to stay in their house in Rusholme and so they moved to a cheaper house in; **'Pendlebury'**.

This area of Manchester had lots of factories and mills but hardly any trees. Pendlebury was an **'industrial'** area.

Education

He studied at the **Manchester Academy of Fine Art** and **Salford Royal Technical College** for many years, and worked very hard to find his own way to show everyone how he felt about the world around him and the people who lived in it.

MI Where did Lowry learn to paint? _____

MI Lowry had a brother and a sister- True/False _____

LC Why did his parents move to Pendlebury? _____

LS Lowry's Paintings

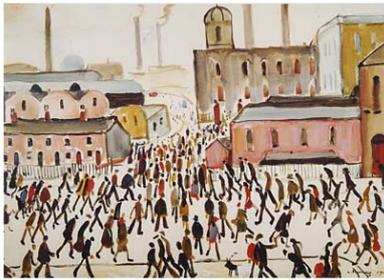
Laurence Stephen Lowry created many different types of paintings but he mostly used the same five colours:- **Ivory black, Vermilion, Prussian blue, Yellow ochre and Flake white**. Using only these colours **L.S. Lowry** mixed and blended all the colours he ever needed.

What Lowry Painted

Lowry said he painted sad and lonely people because he felt like them. He painted industrial landscapes, portraits and seascapes.

Later Life

During his lifetime LS Lowry was known as a Sunday painter due to his painting of matchstick men and their lack in detail. He turned down a knighthood in 1968, and appointments to the Order of the Companions of Honour (CH) in 1972 and 1976.^[40] He holds the record for the most honours declined.



Going to work, Painted 1959

LC Find and copy the words that describe how Lowry felt.

LC What year was Lowry Born? _____

LC What year did Lowry Die? _____

LC What did Lowry like to paint?

Reading Activity 2- Look at this famous Lowry Painting 'Coming From the Mill'



Task 1: Answer the following questions, discuss your answers with an adult and show them the reasons for your answers.

1. The painting is called 'coming from the mill' Where do you think the people in the picture are going?
2. What different types of buildings can you see in the picture?
3. Why do you think there are no cars on this street?
4. Who are the different people in the picture and what are they doing do you think?

Task 2: Using question words to start a sentence write 3 different questions you could ask about this picture.

Here are some question words

who	why	when	what	where	can	do	how
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