Running Record - 'My Dad the Mailman'



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Sentence		SC	E MSV	SC MSV
Community Helpers				
My dad is a mailman. A mailman is				
a community helper. A mailman takes				
mail to people. Women can deliver the				
mail, too. People who deliver the mail				
are also called mail carriers.				
Getting Ready				
My dad goes to the post office very				
early in the morning. The mail is				
sorted and given to each mail carrier				
for delivery.				
Dress				
My dad wears a uniform. A coat, hat,				
and gloves keep him warm in cold				
weather. Some mail carriers wear a				
helmet and goggles if they are riding				
a motorcycle.				
Job				
Dad has the same route each day.				
He delivers mail to houses, apartments,				
and stores. He reads the address on				

the letters and boxes.	
Some mail carriers deliver in the city,	
and some deliver in the country.	
Vehicles	
My dad drives a mail van. Others	
ride on motorcycles. Some use a	
bicycle or walk from house to house.	
In hard- to- reach places, mail is	
delivered by a plane or boat.	
Equipment	
My dad has a satchel, or a mail	
bag, filled with mail. When he goes	
from house to house, he drops the	
mail into the mailbox. Inside the van,	
mail and parcels are waiting to be delivered.	
History	
Long ago men rode horses to deliver	
mail from one city to the next. They	
would change riders and horses and	
ride through wild wilderness. The person	
who received the mail had to pay the	
postage. Later pre- paid stamps were	
used. A person could buy a stamp	
and put it on their mail.	
How to be a Mail Carrier	
To be a mail carrier, you need to	
be trustworthy. You need to be healthy	
and strong to lift boxes and lots of	
letters. My dad likes being a mailman.	
People greet him with a smile. They	
are happy to get letters and boxes.	
Maybe I'll be a mail carrier like him	

when I grow up. Will you?		
Total:		

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