

‘Albert’s Arrival’
Lesson 3: Computing



Curriculum focus – Computing

After Victoria’s proposal and the announcement of their engagement in November 1839, Albert returned home and the couple were separated until their wedding. They did stay in touch with each other. How did they do this? What ways do we communicate with our friends and family who live far away?

Look at the painting. In 1840 the mail packet was considered a modern, fast, safe and effective means of communication as well as for passenger transport.

Throughout his life Albert was very interested in advances in science and technology. In the 1840s the telegraph and electrical telegram would revolutionise communication. How did it work (electric cables beneath the sea)?

Activity

Create an email from Prince Albert to Queen Victoria about his journey.

Write a series of instructions explaining to Prince Albert how to create and send an e-mail. He will also need to know how to keep himself safe online.

Queen Victoria – queenvictoria.lgfl.net