

Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar

Formal and Informal Speech and Vocabulary

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Aim

• I can identify formal and informal speech vocabulary and plan and adapt my own speech to suit a formal or informal purpose.

Success Criteria

- I can identify formal and informal vocabulary and explain in what context the different words could be used.
- I can speak using appropriate formal language for a specific purpose.
- I can script examples of formal and informal conversations or speeches.

Introductory Activity



There are occasions when people are expected or required to speak using a more formal style of language.

Formal language is more official and serious. Correct grammar should be used.

In **informal** situations a more relaxed and casual speaking style can be used. Slang words and abbreviations are more acceptable in informal speech. Can you think of different examples where **formal** and **informal** vocabulary are more likely to be used?





Decide whether you think the following words or phrases would be more likely to be used in **formal** or **informal** situations. Look at the next slide to see how.

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aggressive	sacrifice	chance
live in	job	types of
inhabit	give up	variety of
now	link to	enough
worked up	correspond	sufficient
immediately	profession	opportunity
	inhabit now worked up	live in job inhabit give up now link to worked up correspond



Sort the vocabulary under the correct headings. Answers on the next slides

Formal	Informal	Meanings and Examples



Answers – did you get them right? Look up the meanings if you aren't sure.

Formal	Informal	Meanings and Examples
communicate	speak	
injustice	not fair	
inhabit	live in	
profession	job	
correspond	link to	
sufficient	enough	
apparent	clear	



Answers – did you get them right? Look up the meanings if you aren't sure.

Formal	Informal	Meanings and Examples
aggressive	worked up	
immediately	now	
sacrifice	give up	
variety of	types of	Capillou
opportunity	chance	Can you think of a more
		formal example of the word 'meaning'?

Independent Focused Activity



Speaking Formally and Informally



Formal language

is more official and serious. Correct grammar should be used.

Informal language

is more relaxed and casual. Slang words and abbreviations are more acceptable.

Read the speeches on the following slides and decide which is **formal** and which is **informal**.

Speaking Formally and Informally



Good evening ladies and gentlemen. I am delighted to welcome you to the twenty-fifth annual charity ball. As you are all eminently aware the funds raised at our previous charity ball events have enabled us to support numerous charitable organisations in their worthwhile endeavours.

Speech 1

Is this speech formal or informal?

What key words helped you decide?

Who do you think the audience could be?

Speaking Formally and Informally

Speech 2

Is this speech formal or informal?

What key words helped you decide?

Who do you think the audience could be?

Hi. Thanks for coming tonight mate. You know how good our other balls have been – we've raised loads of money and helped lots of different charities.

Review Activity



The Vocabulary Game



Can you think of some differences between **formal** and **informal** speech?

When might formal speech be used?	When might informal speech be used?
Formal Speech	Informal Speech



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Consolidation Activity



Formal and Informal Conversations



Use your knowledge of formal and informal vocabulary to write a formal or informal conversation between two characters meeting for the first time.



Assessment





Recognising and Using

Formal and Informal Vocabulary

Can you plan and deliver an **informal** and **formal** speech on a topic of your choice? You could even record it and send it to us!



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