

English week 10 day 3

Thursday 28th May 2020

**LO – to understand the
difference between formal and
informal language.**

What is Formal and Informal Language?

Do you know what the difference between formal and informal language is?

Formal Language

Formal language is used for more official and serious purposes. The correct grammar and standard English should always be used.

Informal Language

Informal language is used for more casual and less serious purposes. Chatty language can be used.



What is Formal and Informal Language?

Decide which of the following are features of formal language and which are features of informal language:

uses correct grammar
and punctuation

uses a serious tone

can use contractions and
abbreviations e.g. 'it's' or 'TV'

uses correct vocabulary

uses a 'chatty' tone

can use 'text'
language and slang.

Answers - What is Formal and Informal Language?

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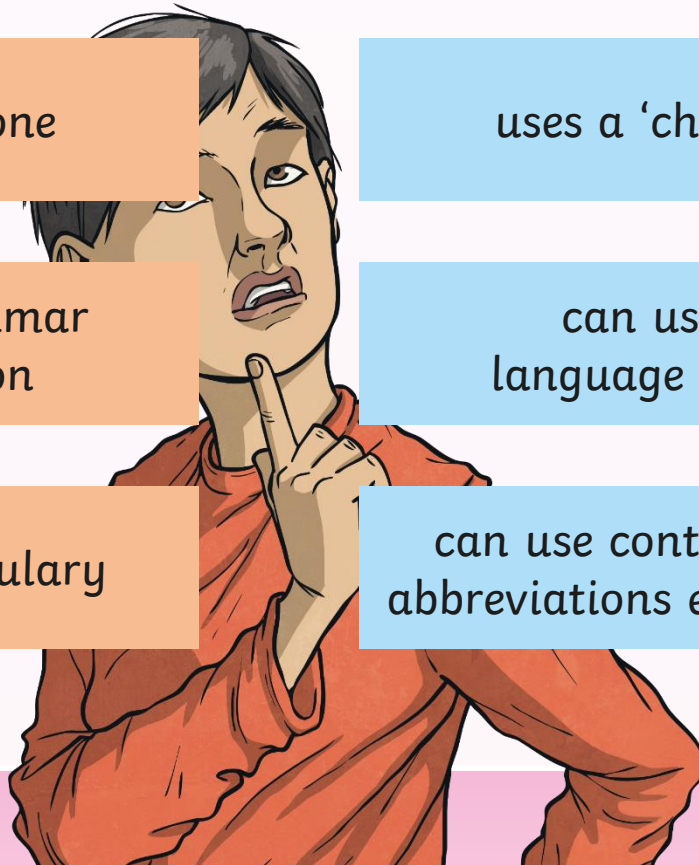
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sending a message to a friend

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Formal or Informal?

How's it going?

Informal

Formal or Informal?

How do you do?

Formal

Formal or Informal?

See you later!

Informal

Formal or Informal?

Kids

Informal

Formal or Informal?

Children

Formal

Formal or Informal?

Mates

Informal

Formal or Informal?

Companions

Formal

Formal or Informal?

Magnificent!

Formal

Formal or Informal?

Cool!

Informal

Formal or Informal?

Delicious

Formal

Formal or Informal?

Yummy

Informal

Formal or Informal?

Read the following emails and decide whether they are **formal** or **informal**

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I was disappointed to find that my favourite toy brand had been replaced with an inadequate copy, which even had pieces missing.

I shall expect to be fully compensated for the distress and inconvenience this experience has caused me and hope that you send a replacement promptly.

Yours sincerely,
Miss F. James

Hi Kerry,

You know the lucky dip bag I bought when we went into town yesterday? Well, you'll never believe what happened when I opened it – there was a broken, copy of the toy instead of the real thing!

I was so shocked and annoyed that I've emailed the company to tell them what I think.

I hope they send me a new one ASAP so I can complete the set.

Was your pack ok? I hope so.

C u soon,
Frankie

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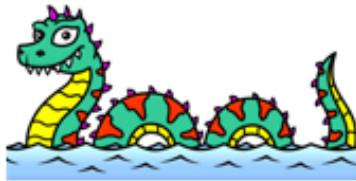
Task

Formal and informal

Decide which paragraph is formal and which is informal.

Monster Spotted in Thames

A 6 metre sea monster was spotted swimming past Big Ben. Rescue efforts involved beaching the monster at low tide and re-floating it with the help of pontoons. The sea monster is believed to have been separated from its family and may have travelled up the Thames as a result of confused sonar signals. Bystanders quickly lined the banks of the Thames and the incident quickly became a worldwide news story. Mary Bridges, 52, from London spotted the monster. She said, "You don't get many monsters in London! It was a real shock."



Massive monster stuck in Thames

You won't guess what happened the other day, mate. This humungous sea monster went past Big Ben. What these rescue blokes did was to try and fish it out with the help of these blow up balloon things. Some people reckon that it got split up from its family & got mixed up. Pretty soon there were loads of people looking at it and before you know it, it was all over the news. Worldwide! This woman Mary Bridges, who was about 50, said she saw it and she was like, "You don't get many monsters in London! It was a real shock." How crazy is that?

Now write your own. Choose your own creature and write about how and where it was spotted. Use formal language.

Success criteria

1. Decide which paragraph is formal and which is informal.
2. Label the paragraphs and underline the clues.
3. Choose your own creature and write how and where it was spotted. Use formal language to write a short paragraph for a report.