



## Formal vs. Informal English

### Today's Standard

4.SL.6 - Differentiate between contexts that call for formal English (e.g., presenting ideas) and situations where informal discourse is appropriate (e.g., small-group discussion); use formal English when appropriate to task and situation. (See grade 4 Language standards 1 here for specific expectations.)

Cues	Notes
What is formal language?	Formal language is structured and follows grammatical rules.
What is informal language?	Informal language is more relaxed and conversational.
When should formal language be used?	Use formal language in presentations, letters, and official settings.
When is informal language appropriate?	Informal language is suitable for casual conversations and small group discussions.
Examples of formal and informal language.	Examples: Formal - 'Good morning, everyone.' Informal - 'Hey, guys!'

### Summary

Understanding when to use formal and informal language enhances communication skills and is essential for different social and academic contexts.