



Adapting Speech for Context

Today's Standard

5.SL.6 - Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks, using formal English when appropriate to task and situation. (See grade 5 Language standards 1 and 3 here for specific expectations.)

Cues	Notes
What is formal speech?	Formal speech is a way of speaking that is appropriate for serious or official situations.
When should formal speech be used?	Formal speech should be used in presentations, interviews, and when speaking with authority figures.
What are common misconceptions about formal speech?	Common misconceptions include thinking formal speech is only for ceremonies and that it requires complex vocabulary.
How can we practice formal speech?	Practice through role-playing, peer reviews, and identifying appropriate contexts in videos.

Summary

Formal speech is used in serious or official situations. It is important for students to understand when and how to use it appropriately, avoiding misconceptions such as it being only for ceremonies or requiring complex language.