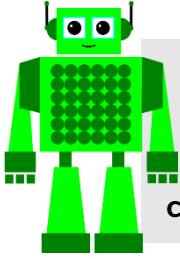


Formal and Informal Speech and Vocabulary



Formal speech and vocabulary uses standard English and correct grammar, for example a letter to a headteacher.

Informal speech and vocabulary is more relaxed and is used when communicating with friends or family, for example a postcard from a holiday.

1) Tick to show whether the sentences below use formal or informal vocabulary.

	Formal	Informal
Please accept my sincere apologies for the damage caused.		
I don't think that I'll be able to make it to your party.		
The kids are so happy that it's almost the holidays.		
The train is scheduled to depart in one hour.		
That's awesome!		

2) Circle the most formal choice to complete each of the sentences below.

The rescue team went up / ascended the mountain to reach the injured walker.
Please show your tickets to the gentleman / guy at the kiosk.
Flute lessons will start soon / commence in due course .
Next week we are due to visit / off to the theatre.
I have booked / reserved three seats for the concert.
We are completely dissatisfied with / totally sick of the quality of the meal.

3) Re-write the sentences below using formal vocabulary.

Can you help me solve this tricky maths problem?

It's bad luck that your poem was not picked.

