



Formal and informal speaking – quiz answers

Level A

1. Is this expression formal or informal?

I'd be very grateful if you could ...

- A) formal
- B) informal

2. Is this expression formal or informal?

That's great, thanks.

- A) formal
- B) informal

3. Is this expression formal or informal?

Hi, where's the best cafe round here?

- A) formal
- B) informal

4. Is this expression formal or informal?

Could you direct me to a good quality cafe please?

- A) formal
- B) informal

5. Is this expression formal or informal?

I've been monitoring your progress carefully.

- A) formal
- B) informal

6. Is this expression formal or informal?

I'm watching how you're getting on.

- A) formal
- B) informal



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7. Is this expression formal or informal?

This is an exceptional situation.

- A) formal
- B) informal

8. Is this expression formal or informal?

Amazing!

- A) formal
- B) informal

9. Is this expression formal or informal?

Well done mate!

- A) formal
- B) informal

10. Is this expression formal or informal?

Congratulations on your success.

- A) formal
- B) informal



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Level B

1. Should use formal or informal language in this situation?

Buying a hat

- A) formal
- B) informal
- C) could be either formal or informal

2. Should use formal or informal language in this situation?

At a parents' evening

- A) formal
- B) informal
- C) could be either formal or informal

3. Should use formal or informal language in this situation?

Talking to a neighbour

- A) formal
- B) informal
- C) could be either formal or informal

4. Should use formal or informal language in this situation?

Joining a fitness class

- A) formal
- B) informal
- C) could be either formal or informal

5. Should use formal or informal language in this situation?

Phoning the GP surgery

- A) formal
- B) informal
- C) could be either formal or informal



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6. Should use formal or informal language in this situation?

Meeting a new colleague

- A) formal
- B) informal
- C) could be either formal or informal

7. Should use formal or informal language in this situation?

Phoning your child's school

- A) formal
- B) informal
- C) could be either formal or informal

8. Should use formal or informal language in this situation?

At a community meeting

- A) formal
- B) informal
- C) could be either formal or informal

9. Should use formal or informal language in this situation?

Meeting a friend

- A) formal
- B) informal
- C) could be either formal or informal

10. Should use formal or informal language in this situation?

Talking to your teenager

- A) formal
- B) informal
- C) could be either formal or informal

Formal and informal speaking – quiz answers

Level C

1. Is this statement between people that have a close or distant relationship?

You're not going out in that are you?

- A) close relationship
- B) distant relationship

2. Is this statement between people that have a close or distant relationship?

Have you been borrowing my stuff again?

- A) close relationship
- B) distant relationship

3. Is this statement between people that have a close or distant relationship?

I think you may be mistaken on that point.

- A) close relationship
- B) distant relationship

4. Is this statement between people that have a close or distant relationship?

You've got that wrong.

- A) close relationship
- B) distant relationship

5. Is this statement between people that have a close or distant relationship?

I'd like to invite you to join the team meeting next week.

- A) close relationship
- B) distant relationship

6. Is this statement between people that have a close or distant relationship?

I think you may be under a misconception.

- A) close relationship
- B) distant relationship

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7. Is this statement between people that have a close or distant relationship?

Cool haircut!

- A) close relationship
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Get that will you? I'm in the bath.

- A) close relationship
- B) distant relationship

9. Is this statement between people that have a close or distant relationship?

I'm afraid I'm not entirely satisfied with the service.

- A) close relationship
- B) distant relationship

10. Is this statement between people that have a close or distant relationship?

You must be joking!

- A) close relationship
- B) distant relationship

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Answers

Level A

1. Is this expression formal or informal?

I'd be very grateful if you could ...

The correct answer is: A. This expression is used in a formal situation.

2. Is this expression formal or informal?

That's great, thanks.

The correct answer is: B. The expression is used in an informal situation.

3. Is this expression formal or informal?

Hi, where's the best cafe round here?

The correct answer is: B. The expression is used in an informal situation.

4. Is this expression formal or informal?

Could you direct me to a good quality cafe please?

The correct answer is: A. This expression is used in a formal situation.

5. Is this expression formal or informal?

I've been monitoring your progress carefully.

The correct answer is: A. This expression is used in a formal situation.



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6. Is this expression formal or informal?

I'm watching how you're getting on.

The correct answer is: B. The expression is used in an informal situation.

7. Is this expression formal or informal?

This is an exceptional situation.

The correct answer is: A. This expression is used in a formal situation.

8. Is this expression formal or informal?

Amazing!

The correct answer is: B. The expression is used in an informal situation.

9. Is this expression formal or informal?

Well done mate!

The correct answer is: B. The expression is used in an informal situation.

10. Is this expression formal or informal?

Congratulations on your success.

The correct answer is: A. This expression is used in a formal situation.



Formal and informal speaking – quiz answers

Level B

1. Should use formal or informal language in this situation?

Buying a hat

The correct answer is: A. Formal (unless you know the sales assistant well)

2. Should use formal or informal language in this situation?

At a parents' evening

The correct answer is: A. Formal - the relationship with the teacher is probably distant

3. Should use formal or informal language in this situation?

Talking to a neighbour

The correct answer is: C. Could be either formal or informal, it depends how well you know your neighbour.

4. Should use formal or informal language in this situation?

Joining a fitness class

The correct answer is: A. Formal - the relationship with the fitness instructor is probably distant

5. Should use formal or informal language in this situation?

Phoning the GP surgery

The correct answer is: A. Formal



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6. Should use formal or informal language in this situation?

Meeting a new colleague

The correct answer is: A. Formal, the relationship is distant

7. Should use formal or informal language in this situation?

Phoning your child's school

The correct answer is: A. Formal, the relationship is distant

8. Should use formal or informal language in this situation?

At a community meeting

The correct answer is: A. Formal

9. Should use formal or informal language in this situation?

Meeting a friend

The correct answer is: B. Informal - the relationship is close

10. Should use formal or informal language in this situation?

Talking to your teenager

The correct answer is: B. Informal - the relationship is close

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Level C

1. Is this statement between people that have a close or distant relationship?

You're not going out in that are you?

The correct answer is: A. The language is very informal, we assume the relationship is close.

2. Is this statement between people that have a close or distant relationship?

Have you been borrowing my stuff again?

The correct answer is: A. The language is very informal, we assume the relationship is close.

3. Is this statement between people that have a close or distant relationship?

I think you may be mistaken on that point.

The correct answer is: B. The language is formal, we assume the relationship is distant.

4. Is this statement between people that have a close or distant relationship?

You've got that wrong.

The correct answer is: A. The language is very informal, we assume the relationship is close.

5. Is this statement between people that have a close or distant relationship?

I'd like to invite you to join the team meeting next week.

The correct answer is: B. The language is formal, we assume the relationship is distant.



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Get that will you? I'm in the bath.

The correct answer is: A. The language is very informal, we assume the relationship is close.

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I'm afraid I'm not entirely satisfied with the service.

The correct answer is: B. The language is formal, we assume the relationship is distant.

10. Is this statement between people that have a close or distant relationship?

You must be joking!

The correct answer is: A. The language is very informal, we assume the relationship is close.