

Working together to be the best that we can be

Golden Thread: Belonging

Colons and Semi Colons

- Colon
- 1. Introduces things in a list
- 2. Creates a pause between two sentences that link
 - Semicolon
- 1. Join two sentences
- 2. Separate items in a list

Formal and Informal Language

Formal Language

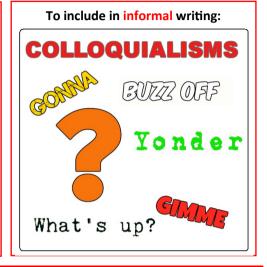
Formal language is used for more official and serious purposes. The correct grammar and standard English should always be used. Eg: talking to the headteacher; writing a job application; writing a letter to The King.

Dear Sir/Madam. I am writing to inform you of my upset.

Informal Language

Informal language is used for more casual and less serious purposes. Slang words and chatty language can be used. Eg: talking to friends; sending a text to a friend; writing a letter to gran.

Hi Kerry, You know the lucky dip bag I bought when we went into town yesterday?



Hyphens

Links words or part of words. Different from a dash because you do not leave a space between a hyphen and the words in the sentence and it is half as long a dash. Hyphens are often used to avoid ambiguity.

The man eating spider.

Means something completely different to...

The man-eating spider.



Question Tags in English



apostrophe shows missing letters and possession brackets separate extra information in a sentence colons used to introduce lists and join clauses commas used in lists, to join clauses, and separate extra information separate extra information in a sentence dashes **exclamation** shows exclamations, commands, or strong emotions marks used to join words or add a prefix hyphens shows direct speech inverted used to join clauses and separate long lists commas **semi-colons** adds tension by creating a pause