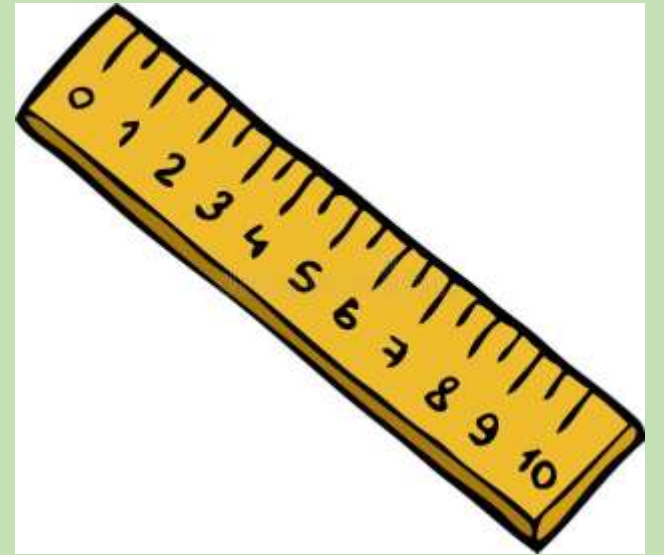


# Journalistic Writing

Lesson 8 - I am learning to generate formal and journalistic vocabulary.

# In this lesson, you will need:

- Exercise book or paper
- Pen or pencil
- Ruler



# Agenda

Introduction



Formal Vocabulary



Journalistic Phrases



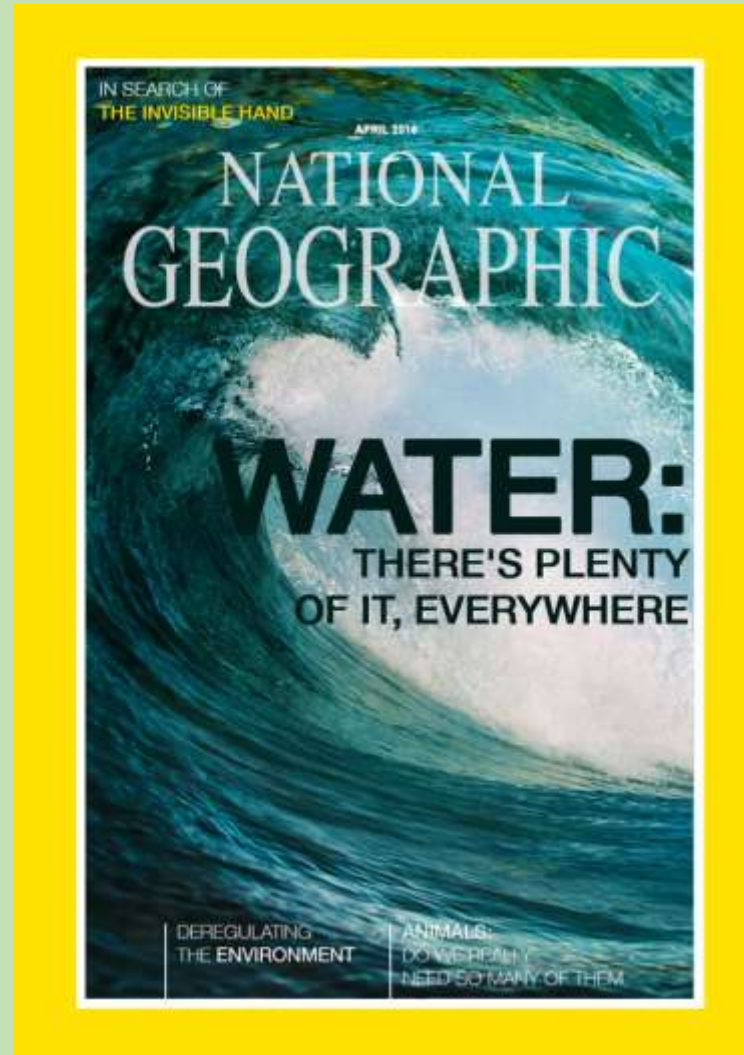
Task

# What is formal vocabulary?

- Associated with particular choices of grammar and vocabulary.
- Use formal language in situations that are serious or when we don't know people very well.
- Formal language more common in written form, but can be spoken as well.



# Where would you see or hear formal vocabulary?



## Letter Example – Sprouts

64 Brown Lane,  
Foxhole,  
Devon,  
TQ9 7NJ  
27th May 2012

Dear Mr. Smith,

I am writing to complain about the sprouts I bought from your shop last week. I came into your shop on Tuesday morning and bought 500g of fresh sprouts with a sell by date of 03.06.12 which, as you know, is next week.

When I tried to cook the sprouts, I found they were rotten inside. I had peeled the sprouts and cooked them with chestnuts. It was not until I tried to eat them that I found they were rotten.

This was disappointing, as I had nothing else to eat. Following the disappointment I was forced to go out and buy other food. As it was late at night the choice of shops was not very good and I had to settle for a tin of soup. I would like a full refund. I paid in cash and I enclose the receipt. Please contact me at the above address if you need to me come into the shop to pick up the refund, other please send me a cheque.

Yours sincerely,

Miss. F. Gardener.





# Formal language

Can you think of any formal synonyms?



Howard Carter



PLATE XXXIII: CONVOY OF ANTIQUITIES TO THE LABORATORY



# Formal Vocabulary

Word

Archaeologist  
(noun)

Definition

An archaeologist is somebody who looks at ancient sites and objects to learn about the past.

Synonyms

Egyptologist

Sentence

The most brilliant results in Egypt were obtained by English archaeologists.

# Formal Vocabulary

Historian

Explorer

Discoverer

Dedicated

Excavator

Pioneer

Can you use one of these nouns in a sentence?

Carter was nearly 50 years old when he made his pioneering discovery.





# Formal language

Can you think of any formal synonyms?



Workers



# Formal Vocabulary

Word

Employee (noun)

Definition

A person working for another person for pay.

Synonyms

labourer

Sentence

Howard carter told his employees to start digging five metres north of the tent.

# Formal Vocabulary

Member

Assistant

Discoverer

Labourer

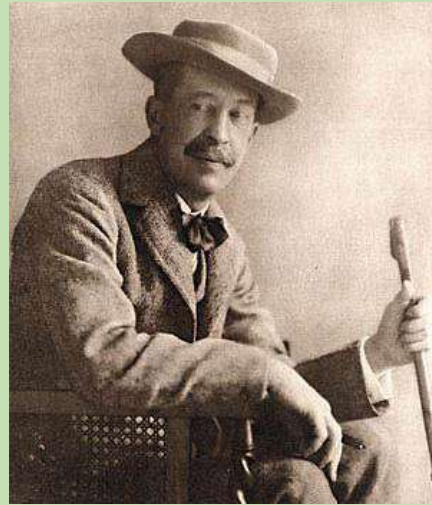
Can you use one of these nouns in a sentence?

A member of the excavation team found some steps.



# Formal language

Can you think of any formal synonyms?



Water boy

Egyptian Officials



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# Formal Vocabulary

Word

Witness (noun)

Definition

A person who sees an event, typically a crime or accident, take place.

Synonyms

Observer, onlooker

Sentence

A witness observed Howard Carter walk slowly down the steps towards the tomb.

# Formal Vocabulary

Witness

Bystander

Passer-by

Local resident

Onlooker

Observer

Can you use one of these nouns in a sentence?

A passer-by saw a water boy looking anxious.





# Formal language

Can you think of any formal synonyms?



Valley of the  
Kings in Egypt





# Formal Vocabulary

Word

Tomb (noun)

Definition

A house, chamber, or vault for the dead.

Synonyms

Crypt, Vault

Sentence

Howard Carter walked towards the tomb of the Ancient Pharaoh.

# Formal Vocabulary

Burial chamber

Burial place

Vault

Crypt

Sepulchre

Grave

Can you use one of these nouns in a sentence?

The burial chamber of Tutankhamun has been unknown for centuries.



# Journalistic Phrases

How do journalists find out information for newspaper report?

- Go to the scene
- Police statements and reports
- Speak to witnesses and people involved
- Look at evidence.



# Journalistic Phrases

Evidence suggests that...

Police reports indicate...

Witnesses reported that...

It is thought that...

It is believed that...

Allegedly,...


**Can you use one of these phrases in a sentence?**




# Task

Edit your flowchart to use more formal vocabulary and journalistic phrases.

Lord Carnarvon gave  
~~Mr. Howard Carter the~~  
**archeologist** one more  
season.



**Witnesses suggest that**  
**on a Saturday in**  
**November** ~~A water boy~~  
**water bearer** was  
putting his water into  
the sand when he came  
across an unusual rock.



~~Howard Carter~~ **The**  
**Discoverer** said he saw  
“wonderful  
things...wonderful things”  
**in the burial chamber**

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Task

# Congratulations!

You have completed your lesson!



If you would like to, please share your work with your parent or carer.

Remember each week your class teacher would like to see one piece of work you are most proud of. Could it be this learning?