

Compare the following sets of words to decide which one is formal and which one is informal. Then, write them in the correct space on the t-chart.

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| 1. Cut it out! Please stop doing that. | 6. Please give me a call. Text me! |
| 2. Dear Sir, Hi Grandma, | 7. Yo, buddy! Excuse me please. |
| 3. What are you doing? What's up? | 8. We will meet at 9 o'clock. See ya at 9ish. |
| 4. Catch ya later! See you later. | 9. You are the best player. You're the best player. |
| 5. Chill out! Please calm down. | 10. Do you want to join us? Wanna join us? |



Formal



Informal

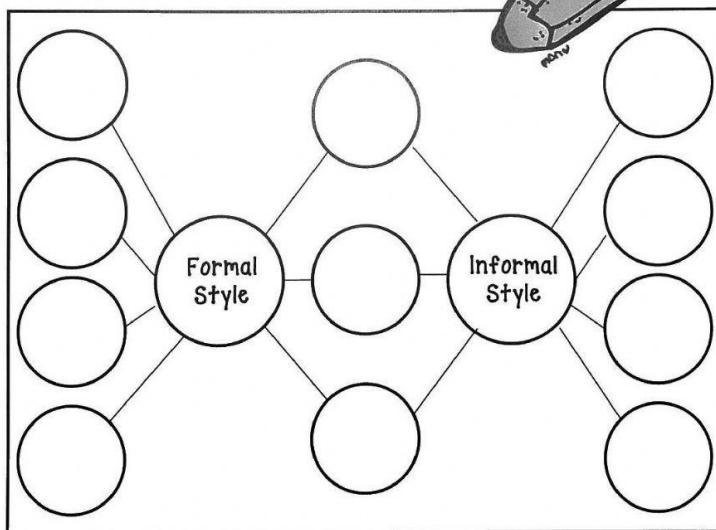
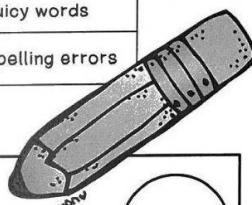
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You Try It

Use the double bubble map to compare the following traits of formal and informal language.

If you have other ideas, add more bubbles.

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| Formal vs. Informal | contractions | used to communicate |
| no emotions | letter writing | abbreviations |
| slang | funny | juicy words |
| compound sentences | follows rules | no spelling errors |



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