

Formal and Informal Vocabulary

1. Place an 'x' in the appropriate box to show whether the sentences below use formal (F) or informal (I) vocabulary.

A. It is in your best interest to tell the truth, otherwise the consequences will be less favorable for you.

	F		I

B. You are advised to avoid Junction 20 due to a major incident; the surrounding roads have been closed and it is suggested that motorists seek alternative routes.

	F		I

C. If we're good, me and Lucy are allowed to go to the cinema with our mates to watch the new comedy film, which is supposed to be epic!

	F		I

2. Replace the underlined words or phrases in the sentences below using the alternative formal language provided.

A. There are enough members of staff available to go with the children on the school trip next week.

B. In order to keep a healthy body, you need to eat a lot of different foods including fruit and vegetables.

C. I will have to give up one of my free evenings each week and attend additional training in preparation for the competition.

attend	accompany	maintain	range	sufficient	sacrifice
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3. Steph and Sean are writing sentences using formal vocabulary.



Steph

When she'd pulled the dangerous driver over, the cop asked him to get out of the car and put his hands on the front of the car.



Sean

Once the police officer had brought the suspect to a halt, she requested that the man exit the vehicle and place his hands on the bonnet.

Whose sentence is the most formal? Give reasons for your choice.