

# Informal to Formal Language

Rewrite this extract from Jazz's diary, changing the informal language to formal language.

Remember...

Informal language:	Formal language:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• use more contractions and abbreviations, e.g. 'it's' or 'TV'</li><li>• is clear and to the point</li><li>• has a more 'chatty' tone</li><li>• uses idioms (e.g. raining cats and dogs)</li><li>• uses incomplete or short sentences</li><li>• may use a variety of tenses and speakers</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• uses specific vocabulary for the subject</li><li>• uses the correct grammar and punctuation</li><li>• uses the longer version of words and phrases, e.g. 'it is' and 'television'</li><li>• has a more serious tone</li><li>• uses complex sentence structures</li><li>• uses the same tense and person throughout</li></ul>

Dear Diary,

Whoops! I've been so busy landing on Mars and being monitored by the medical team (in case I accidentally turn to jelly) that I forgot all about writing in my adventure diary. There is so much to describe that I don't know where to start!

I guess that I should really start with the most amazing thing: the colony toilets. They're real toilets, which you can really flush. They have proper seats – like the ones on Earth – rather than just a hole in a teeny plastic frame and you don't need to worry about floating away! I can't explain how much I've missed real toilets.