

ACADEMIC LANGUAGE AND CVs

1. Watch

<https://www.dailymotion.com/video/x7uoxh6>

<https://www.dailymotion.com/video/x7ur7w6>

Watch these 2 videos and write a 100-word paragraph to describe the main character. Use formal register.

Hyacinth Bucket - “Keeping Up Appearances”

Example 1

As seen in the renowned British sitcom “Keeping Up Appearances”, the protagonist, Hyacinth Bucket, has been notorious for her off-putting, but also hilarious demeanour and conduct that have been firmly displayed in a plethora of episodes.

In the first two episodes, had we staunchly scrutinised her propriety and forced benevolence, we would come to the irrevocable conclusion that her purpose is to stand out in her family. Subsequently, the other characters must have rendered them speechless after being inadvertently fixated on how others perceive her every moment of the day, in spite of her undertaking with alacrity every precaution that could let her be deemed inferior. Notwithstanding this, her perfectionism and self-centeredness might shed light on the disparate views of her family, which she undoubtedly considers unequivocally horrendous.

Example 2

Keeping Up Appearances – Hyacinth Bucket

‘Keeping Up Appearances’ is an old British sitcom, which aired during the first half of the 1990’s. Hyacinth Bucket – pronounced, as she strongly insists, [Bouquet] – is the protagonist of the show. She is an elderly woman, who aspires to climb up the social ladder, as her beginnings were rather modest. This is brought to light through the rest of her siblings, who live in much worse conditions. Due to this, ‘the lady of the house’ often disregards them, even trying to change her name – the way it is pronounced – so that people do not see her for the poor lady she once was.

Hyacinth lives at 22 Blossom Avenue, with her husband, Richard. He is a hard worker, as he is often shown gardening, a rather messy activity. Miss Bucket insists that he does not show his dirty gloves to the public, as that would impact her social status. ‘The Bouquet Residence’ sometimes holds candlelight suppers for neighbours, some of whom are uncomfortable around the Miss.

Though those around her despise her snobbery and constant meddling, and though she considers herself above all, she cannot be judged for wanting to put her past behind her and start a new life, as Miss Bouquet.

2. <https://www.mirror.co.uk/news/politics/no-joe-biden-not-forget-22835098>

REWRITE IT IN A MORE FORMAL MANNER.

Example 1

No, Joe Biden did not fail to recall his stand as a candidate for presidency and state he was in the race for senate

No, Joe Biden did not omit his candidacy for President, in spite of the assertion from Fox News and Donald Trump.

Thriving tweets – and a segment on Fox News – cautiously rephrased an oration held by the preceding Vice-President to exhibit that he had indicated he was in the race for the Senate. But the pristine footage elucidates that he was alluding to his earliest candidature for the Senate in 1973.

However – and truthfully utterly bewildering – the previous Vice President amalgamated his tenses.

The modified footage displays him enunciating: “You must take notice, we need to come together. That is the reason why I am in this race. I am running as a glorious Democrat for the Senate.

In the unaltered video, he is presented as uttering: “You must take notice, we need to come together. That is the reason why I am in this race. I am running as a glorious Democrat for the Senate when I participated in the race as a marvellous Democrat for Vice President and I stand as a candidate as a glorifying Democrat for president”

“But I undertake that I will conduct as an American president”

Trump, seemingly having viewed the adjusted footage displayed on Fox News during his flight to Florida, tweeted: “I am running as a glorious Democrat for the Senate” Drowsy Joe Biden today. It will only escalate. It is not feasible for our county – China will rule us!!!”

Biden had taken the advantage in Wisconsin and Pennsylvania, skyrocketing his partisanship in two states that Trump prevailed in the 2016 presidential election, Reuters/Ipsos opinion polls displayed on Monday

The surveys, directed Tuesday through Sunday, revealed Joe Biden now surpassing Trump by 7% points in both states.

Making the most out of this momentum and rising advantage in the polls, Biden on Monday advocated in Ohio, where he was erstwhile deemed as unpromising, as he endeavours to widen his reach into Republican-dominated states.

Conversing with incorporated auto workers in Toledo, Biden mentioned he and the preceding president, Barack Obama, were indispensable in maintaining the U.S auto industry buoyant in the middle of the economic quandary and stagnation more than a decade ago.

"Barack and I put our trust in you and the American worker and it turned out well", uttered Biden, who is aiming to subvert the result of the polls that outline Trump's stupendous asset, the perception among some voters that the quondam real estate entrepreneur stands out at managing the economy.

Biden furthermore attended a voting event in Cincinnati. It was Biden's subsequent campaign excursion after many weeks to Ohio, which was previously regarded as a last resort, while polls presently elicit a ruthless competition.

Trump excelled in the state's race by 8% points four years before and undoubtedly must acquire it once more to triumph in the re-election. On no account has any republican earned the White House in the absence of Ohio's results.

For months, Trump had worked incandescently to divert widespread consciousness from the virus and his mismanagement of the pandemic, which has contaminated more than 7.8 million dwellers of the United States and results in more than 214000 deceased and millions of compulsory redundancies.

His malaise has unambiguously brought attention to his Coronavirus acknowledgement in the middle of the race coming to an abrupt end, on alignment with Biden's campaign upsurging its attacks and expanding its campaign in the states that are prevalent in Republican views.

Example 2

It is wrong to say that Joe Biden did not recall deciding to run for president, despite claims from Fox News and President Donald J. Trump.

Certain posts on Twitter – and a segment on Fox News – made selective changes to a speech constructed by the former Vice President to appear he was inclined toward running for Senate. However, the unedited footage clearly explains he was referencing his initial campaign, in 1973.

Nevertheless, it is clear, though perplexing, that the former Vice President was confused regarding his tenses.

The edited version reveals him saying "You know, we have to come together. That's why I'm running. I'm running as a proud Democrat for the Senate."

In the unedited footage, he is shown as saying "You know, we have to come together. That's why I'm running. I'm running as a proud Democrat for the Senate, when I ran as a proud Democrat for vice president, and I'm running as a proud Democrat for president. But I promise you this, I will govern as an American president."

Mr. President, apparently having seen the edited video on Fox News during his flight to Florida, wrote on Twitter: "I'm running as a proud Democrat, for the Senate". Sleepy Joe Biden today. It's only going to get worse. It is not sustainable for our County - China will own us!!!!"

Mr. Biden extended his political lead even further in Wisconsin and Pennsylvania, building momentum in two states that Mr. Trump carried in the 2016 presidential election, Reuters/Ipsos opinion polls showed on Monday.

The polls, conducted between Tuesday and Sunday, revealed that Biden is ahead of Trump by 7 percentages in both states.

Taking advantage of the momentum and growing lead in the polls, Biden on Monday campaigned in Ohio, where he was once disconsidered, as he tries to expand his reach into Republican-leaning states.

Speaking to unionized auto workers in Toledo, Biden said he and former President Barack Obama played a critical role in maintaining the U.S. auto industry afloat during the financial crisis and recession more than a decade ago.

"Barack and I bet on you and the American worker and it paid off," said Biden, who is hoping to undermine what polls show is Trump's greatest strength, the view among some voters that the former real estate entrepreneur is better at handling the economy.

Biden also appeared at a get-out-the-vote event in Cincinnati. It was Biden's second campaign trip in as many weeks to Ohio, which was once considered unreachable but where polls now show a competitive race.

Trump won the state by 8 percentages four years prior and almost certainly must carry it again to win re-election. No Republican has won the White House without carrying Ohio.

For months, Trump had worked furiously to shift public attention away from the virus and his handling of the pandemic, which has infected more than 7.8 million people in the United States, causing more than 214,000 deaths and put millions out of work.

His own illness has put the spotlight squarely on his coronavirus response during the closing stretch of the race, with the Biden campaign scaling up its attacks and stretching its campaign into states that normally lean Republican.

3. <https://create.kahoot.it/share/academic-language/9563b8c4-fe94-4a3c-a0ca-b84475bba2f1>
4. <https://europa.eu/europass/en/create-europass-cv>

Appendix

Guidelines for academic language

TIPS FOR VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR:

- DIVERSIFY VOCABULARY- USE SYNONYMS

- USE THE PASSIVE AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE

- USE NEUTRAL LANGUAGE

Useful grammar structures

INVERSIONS

Little do people realise that.....

Under no circumstances is John to leave the room.

Rarely have people seen so much progress.

On no account should individuals do....

OTHER USEFUL STRUCTURES TO BE USED

But for John, we would no be here.

But for the umbrella, we would have been soaked.

Should any opportunity appear,

If this were to happen,.....

WERE THIS.....

It is time **something were done about this.**

IT IS ESSENTIAL/ VITAL/ COMPULSORY/ IMPORTANT that X HAPPEN

IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT HUMAN BEINGS BE MORE CAUTIOUS REGARDING THEIR OWN HEALTH.

CONNECTORS

I like coffee. AND I like chocolate.

AND=

FURTHERMORE,

IN ADDITION,

MOREOVER,

ADDITIONALLY,

WHAT IS MORE,

BUT=

I like coffee. BUT I do not like tea.

HOWEVER,

NEVERTHELESS,

NONETHELESS,

YET,

STILL,

SO=

I like coffee. SO I drink much coffee.

THUS,

THEREFORE,

AS A CONSEQUENCE,

HENCE,

AS A RESULT,

BECAUSE=

I drink much coffee BECAUSE I like it.

BECAUSE I like coffee, I drink much of it

DUE TO/THE FACT THAT

OWING TO/THE FACT THAT

SINCE

AS

,FOR

FORMAL SYNONYMS

GET BETTER= BETTER

GET SOMETHING= OBTAIN, RECEIVE

A LOT= MUCH, A GREAT DEAL OF, MANY, NUMEROUS, COUNTLESS, INNUMERABLE

A WIDE ARRAY OF= A WIDE RANGE OF

LAY EMPHASIS ON= EMPHASISE

Avoid Oral Language

Sometimes words are used only in oral language and should be replaced by a formal word. Many examples are given below.

Not a mystery – **not surprising**

A lot of/plenty – **many/a great deal of**

Get – **obtain**

Still – **continue to/avoid**

Happen - **occur**

On the right track – **avoid**

Chance – **opportunity, probability**

Know - **understand**

Anything/something/things – **replace with the actual name**

Job hunting – **searching for a job**

Much more – **many more/much greater**

Worried - **anxious**

The rest – **the remaining**

Like – **similar to/such as**

Kids – **children**

Unreal – **inaccurate**

Try – **attempt**

Big – **large/significant**

What's more/Besides – **In addition**

On one hand/On the other hand – **Although**

Finish - **complete**

At the same time - **During the same period**

