# WRITING SKILLS



## USEFUL PHRASE REFERENCE

#### **FORMAL LETTER**

Greeting name unknown: **Dear Sir/Madam** 

name known: Dear Mr../Dear Mrs.../Dear Ms...

Reason for writing I am writing to.. I am writing with regards to...

<u>Asking questions</u> I would be grateful if.. I wonder if you could...

<u>Referring to their letter</u> **As you started in your letter..** 

Regarding/Concerning..

<u>Closing expressions</u> I look forward to hearing from you.

Signing off If Dear + name : Yours sincerely, if Dear Sir/Madam:

Yours faithfully, Dear+name: Yours

Name your first name + surname

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#### **LETTER OF APPLICATION**

**Greeting** name unknown: **Dear Sir/Madam** 

name known: **Dear Mr../Dear Mrs../Dear Ms +**name

Reason for writing I am writing to apply for the post/position of

I am writing with reference to your advertisement,

which I saw...

Your experience I gained some experience...My qualification include..

**CV** Please find attached my CV...

**Closing expressions** I look forward to hearing from you. Please do not

hesitate to contact me if...

<u>Signing off</u> if Dear=name: **Your sincerely,** if Dear Sir/Madam:

Yours faithfully, Dear+=name:Yours

<u>Name</u> your first name + surname

## A FORMAL LETTER

Reservations Manager Calton Hotel 78 Park Lane Bristol June 16

#### Dear Jack/Sir or Madam

I am writing/This is just a note to confirm a reservation that was made/I asked you for this morning by telephone. This reservation, for a couple of/two nights, is for me/myself, David Cook.

I want/would like a room with a bathroom. I will be attending/I'm going to pop into The Trade Fair that is being held/is going on in Bristol that week.

It is all right/Would it be possible for me to have a room at the back of the hotel?

Thank you/Thanks for sending me the brochure about/regarding your conference facilities. Unfortunately/I'm sorry I can't give you/I am unable to provide you with any definite dates at the moment/now,as/because we have yet to finalize/sort out the details of our sales conference. But/However, I will contact/ I'll drop a line as soon as I can/possible.

I look/I'm looking forward to meeting you on 12 July. Best wishes/Yours faithfully,
David Cook.

## CURRICULUM VITAE

A. PERSONAL DETAILS
Name
Address
Telephone
Date of birth
Nationality
B. EDUCATION
Qualification
Languages
C. WORK EXPERIENCE
D. PERSONAL QUALITIES

## Write a letter of application (100-150 words) choosing the following adverts

#### **WANTED:**

Receptionist's to work in doctor's surgery at weekends.
Would suit teenager who wishers to learn about medicine as a possible career.

Please apply in writing to

Dr BROWN, Harley Road.

#### **WANTED:**

ENERGETIC AND CONFIDENT
Summer WAITERS/WAITRESSES
June-August

Languages & experience working with people an advantage.

Send CV and letter of application to : Mr Brown, The Blue Whale Restaurant, 17 White Road, Dover