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Formal Or Fun Acronyms

Directions: As you read the passage below, **identify each acronym** and decide whether it's **formal (professional)** or **informal (casual)** based on how it's used. Write each acronym below the **Formal** or **Informal** column, then explain your reasoning in one short sentence.

Different Worlds, Different Words

When Liam's aunt, a **CEO** at a global company, invited him to a business meeting, he was nervous but curious. She explained how the **UN** often works with large organizations to solve world issues, and how professional language is important in those settings. Later that evening, Liam joined his friends online, laughing as his best friend sent a message full of acronyms: "**LOL**, that video was hilarious!" and "**BRB**, I need to grab a snack."

Liam realized how acronyms change depending on the situation—what sounds natural in a text message might sound strange in a boardroom. Knowing when to use formal or informal language, he thought, was like learning two different languages at once.

FORMAL

INFORMAL