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Dual Style Dialogue Answer Key

Casual Version (with "in back of"):

Liam: Did you see where the art supplies went?

Maya: Yeah, they're in back of the tall cabinet in the classroom.

Liam: Oh, thanks! I'll grab them before class starts.

Formal Version (with "behind"):

Liam: Did you see where the art supplies went?

Maya: Yes, they're behind the tall cabinet in the classroom.

Liam: Thank you. I'll retrieve them before class begins.

Teacher's Guide

• **Skill Focus**: Distinguishing between **behind** (formal and academic) and **in back of** (informal and conversational).

• Differentiation Tips:

- Allow emerging learners to highlight both prepositions in different colors to visualize usage.
- For advanced students, challenge them to identify other word changes that affect tone (e.g., "yeah" vs. "yes," "grab" vs. "retrieve").

• Engagement Ideas:

- Have pairs act out both versions dramatically-one casual, one formal-to show how tone shifts.
- Turn it into a "Language Style Switch" game where students practice rewriting short dialogues between casual and formal speech.

• Extension Activity:

 Ask students to write a new dialogue (3-4 lines) about lost items using both behind and in back of appropriately.

