

1. Choose a more formal synonym for each of the following. There may be more than one possibility:

	FORMAL		FORMAL
begin	commence	help	
find		mainly	
leave		next	
ask		home	
need		motherly	
keep		understand	
at first		tell	
go over (a limit)		build	
again and again		around	
better		not enough	
seem		hand in	
rise		make sure	
quit		go on	

**2. Rewrite the following sentences so that they are more formal. The word/s in the parentheses should be the main verb of the sentence and the underlined portions should be converted to nouns/noun phrases.**

- a. He was fired right away because his performance at work was poor.  
(result in)
- b. The nurses went on strike because they were dissatisfied with working conditions. (lead)
- c. There was a scandal in the Prime Minister's office and the police started a full-scale investigation as a result. (trigger)
- d. Communication on the internet is very fast; therefore, it is much easier to conduct international business. (facilitate)
- e. Many websites have been created in recent years because Facebook is so popular. (give rise)