

# L01: Introduction

## Introduction to Academic Writing in English

"The beautiful part of writing is that you don't have to get it right the first time, unlike, say, a brain surgeon." (Robert Cromier, American author and journalist)

In this session, we will focus on academic/science writing in English in general terms. Questions we will address are why we need to write in English, what is generally understood by academic/science writing in English, and which personal writing challenges we face. In the last step, we will be looking at the general features of academic English.

### Things we cover in this session

- Why do we write in English in academia
- What are the challenges for non-native speakers of English
- What is academic/science writing in English in general
- Specific features of academic English

### Things you need for this session

- [W01-1: Food for Thought](#)
- [W01-2: Read the interview](#)

### Things to take home from this session

At the end of this session you should be able to

- familiar with general characteristics of academic English
- understand the main characteristics of academic English
- identify your own writing challenges

### Slides

[Academic Writing in English](#)

### Hungry Minds

For more information on academic writing and academic skills go [here](#)

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