



Recommended Readings

Gosling P, Noordam B

Mastering Your PhD –

Survival and Success in the Doctoral Years and Beyond, 2nd edn.

Springer, Heidelberg (2011)

this wisdom will help you in every possible way throughout your PhD, ... lab, career, and your personal life.... a must have and READ!

skills, goals, experiments, pitfalls, dealing with setbacks, (difficult) lab mates ...;

the art of good communication, manuscripts, conferences, thesis, exam preparation

Divan A

Communication Skills for the Biosciences – A Graduate Guide

Oxford University Press, Oxford/New York (2009)

excellent guide for improving your scientific English:

ethics (correct presentation of data, integrity, plagiarism, etc.), literature searches,

science writing, research papers, oral presentations, research posters, networking



Glasman-Deal H

Science Research Writing for Non-Native Speakers of English

A Guide for Non-Native Speakers of English.

World Scientific, London (2010)

written by an experienced Ph.D. consultant at the Imperial College of London. This very useful and inexpensive “exercise book” has valuable suggestions to expand your vocabulary and will help improving your science writing skills; exclusively British English (no mention of American spelling and punctuation, unfortunately!)

Day RA, Gastel B

How to Write and Publish a Scientific Paper, 7th edn.

Greenwood Publ. Group, Sanata Barbara CA (2011)

very widely accepted and useful guide to all important aspects of science writing

Coghill AM, Garson LR

The ACS Style Guide –

Effective Communication of Scientific Information, 3rd edn.

American Chemical Society/Oxford University Press, Oxford (2006)

acclaimed reference with in-depth coverage of: Scientific Communication and Style Guidelines

Council of Science Editors

Scientific Style and Format –

The CSE Manual for Authors, Editors, and Publishers, 7th edn.

CSE, Reston VA (2006)

professional reference for all issues regarding writing and publishing in science

*also regularly consult the free online dictionary www.m-w.com
for definitions, pronunciation, online lessons, etc.*