

Outcome questionnaire **Talent Class 21 March 2006**

Workshop **Write it right**

Workshop lecturers **Gadi Rothenberg & Christopher Lowe**

Filled out by	First postdocs Ph.D students Medical specialist
Number	10
Average grade workshop	8.1
Remarks	very inspiring Good course, I learnt a lot especially about the use of certain words, but as a social researcher I could not identify with the overall lesson that you should write as short as possible.
Average grade workshop lecturer (s)	8.6
Remarks	Both were very enthusiastic and the messages were clear very good lectures and very open as a teacher
Expectations met (average)	75%
Remarks expectations	I was afraid the focus would be on English, instead there was more attention for the setup of articles In advance, I expected a little bit more grammar. Different aspects of writing a paper were mentioned, not only technical aspects but also to make the data into a story I did not expect to learn so much (grammar) in one day. It was much focused on the more 'exact' sciences, that have a particular way of writing/publishing. Although I do think social sciences can learn from that discipline, the lecturers sometimes emphasized ways of writing that are not so very applicable in my discipline.

Important message	Be absolutely sure what the message is you want to get across before you start writing (and don't use passive).
	Be direct, be clear, be short
	Typical mistakes that Dutch people make, including me, which I will try to avoid from now on. you have to make your story interesting, so the chance other people will read it is higher their lesson was "less is more", I agree with that as a social researcher but the most important lesson for me was that you should try to write in simple words. to write more active.
Opinion in 1 sentence	I thought it was a very useful and fun course especially if you're starting to write your own articles.
	Inspiring and useful, a great help in my writing
	You can learn useful things in this coarse in a motivating atmosphere.
	It was an excellent way to start writing my first paper It was informative, introductory and because of the group size and length of the course it was a pity that individual comments remained more or less superficial.

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Number	10
Average grade workshop	8.8

Remarks	<p>nice examples and tips&trucs to 'pimp' your text. In my opinion it was very useful because of the practical things the lecturers taught us. I learned some things of which I noticed myself implementing it already. Like active writing, word choice, no long complicated sentences etc</p> <p>Interesting subjects, vivacious presentations</p> <p>Best class I ever had..</p> <p>Zeer prettige sfeer, informatief, afwisselend en ontzettend positief (enthousiasmerend). De methode van de laatste gedeelte (het met de hand herschrijven van je stuk voor een prijs) vond ik niet helemaal optimaal.</p>
Average grade workshop lecturer (s)	8.9
Remarks	<p>they were enthusiastic, which is nice, because then you keep on paying attention.</p> <p>enthusiastic experts</p> <p>They were fun to work with and were able to hold your attention throughout the whole day</p> <p>Leuke kerels om mee samen te werken</p>
Expectations met (average)	75
Remarks expectations	<p>going in-depth with such a large group has turned out better than expected</p> <p>my colleague had already told my about this Talent Class, so I knew what I could expect.</p> <p>I hadn't realized that it would be more than just learning to write English, but the variety of subjects was all the more instructive.</p> <p>I feel way more confident about my writing abilities</p> <p>I was surprised at how much I have enjoyed this course and how much I have learned.</p> <p>Fresh notions on looking at articles and deciding the priorities</p> <p>was vooral nuttig</p>

Important message	Why it is so difficult to just start with writing and what to do about it
	Technical writing tips (English)
	Keep it active, short and simple. Try to 'pimp' your text and also your title (!!!) because than more people want to read it. That's what I've taken home.
	Take the time to think about what you're going to write, and take the time to choose a good title.
	see above; and the visualizations of the message one wants to convey, good idea
	RTFM, keep it simple
	How to avoid the passive tense.
	Write short sentences, use attractive pictures and think about the way your articles are reviewed (do's and don'ts) .
	That I write reasonably well after all.. ;)
Opinion in 1 sentence	It's an absolute plus for writing scientific articles, because a lot of tips & tricks which will come in handy when trying to write an excellent/publishable article.
	Very useful course, very efficient in only one day
	Nice and compact Talent Class. Morning lecture + afternoon asignment was a good combination. The contest/price is a nice motivation and a nice reward, I think. (even though I was the 2nd..)
	A good way to learn much in one day and to hear about how other researchers do their job.
	I am really curious about the other talent classes, would they be just as good? I will definitely try..
	Should be continued or extended
	I would recommend the 'Wright it Right' to anyone who has just started or will start writing scientific papers.
	Really refreshing, there could be a bit more feedback on the technical English
The best done in just one day!	

Outcome questionnaire **Talenteday 14 March 2006**

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Total reactions	149	
About workshop	15	14
Average grade workshop	7.50	7.57
Remarks workshop morning	WiR teveel gericht op exacte wetenschappen	
Remarks workshop afternoon	Pauze binnen sessie ontbrak pity only 2 workshops are in English meer informatie op internet. door korte tijdsduur blijft diepgang achterwegen, maar leuk startpunt	