

"A 30-Day Action Plan to Better Writing"

Goal:

To develop and begin executing your own personalized plan of action

Working on your overall "writing" for work v. working on your "writing" specifically for

Developing a stronger: 1) theory; 2) dictionary; 3) writing style; and 4) transcript output

> Identifying your personal hurdles to overcome (generally, then more specifically)

Step 1: "Awareness," "forensic" approach: identifying strengths, weaknesses in all four categories

Forensic scientists collect, preserve, and analyze scientific evidence during the course of an investigation. As a laboratory role, forensic scientists develop *a systematic way of acquiring knowledge*.

Forensic science means the use of the scientific methods and processes for (crime) solving.

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Coming up with a general plan

A general plan involves **goals** accompanied by an **action plan**

It is good to have **goals**, but it is better to have an **action plan** for how you will achieve those **goals**. ... Further, too often we place more value on the **goal** than we do on the **action plan**. That is, we believe the **goal** is a static, achievable state when, in fact, **goals** are more likely to be moving targets.

- 1. Goals list and an action plan
- 2. Diary/journal about your daily or weekly writing advancements
- 3. "Better Writing" documentation: your own framework
- 4. Creating your own personal workbook/study guide for maximum potential

Part 1: Identifying your own foundational theory principles

- Part 2: Reconciling your personal dictionary with your theory principles
- Part 3: Tweaking your writing style
- Part 4: Evaluating your overall raw transcript output
- * Homework provided
- * Follow-up one-on-one sessions, where requested