

Audience

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Why is audience important?

- Every time you write something, you are writing to someone.
- The information you choose should take audience into consideration.
 - Include/exclude certain details



Questions to ask yourself?

- Who is my audience?
- What do they know?
- What do they not know?
- Is what I am saying clear and focused?
- Do I provide enough description and examples?



How to approach your audience!

Adapted from Chelsea Hennen's "10 Effective tips to reach your audience through writing" (2014).

- 1. Need to understand them
- 2. Get them to pay attention
- 3. Work on developing your skills
- 4. Make it memorable
- 5. Be approachable not demanding
- 6. Engage them
- 7. Entertain
- 8. Maintain professionalism
- 9. Use lots of description
- 10. Make it your own



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