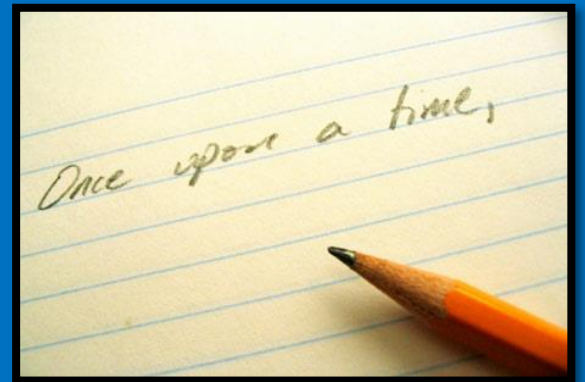


# Writing an excellent research paper

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# Question

**What does it mean to write elegantly and creatively  
in science and medicine?**

**Montgomery (2003) The Chicago Guide to Communicating in Science**

## Answer

It means producing texts that are not merely effective,  
but *interesting* to read,  
those that offer a higher order of reading experience.

Montgomery (2003) *The Chicago Guide to Communicating in Science*.

**An effective piece of biomedical or scientific writing  
is written from the *reader's* perspective**

**typically as writers, we write from *our perspective*  
this might produce a good paper.....**

**however.....**

**when we add the *reader's perspective*,  
we have the possibility of writing a very good  
or excellent paper**



**writing from *our own perspective*  
is a common, and good,  
starting point**

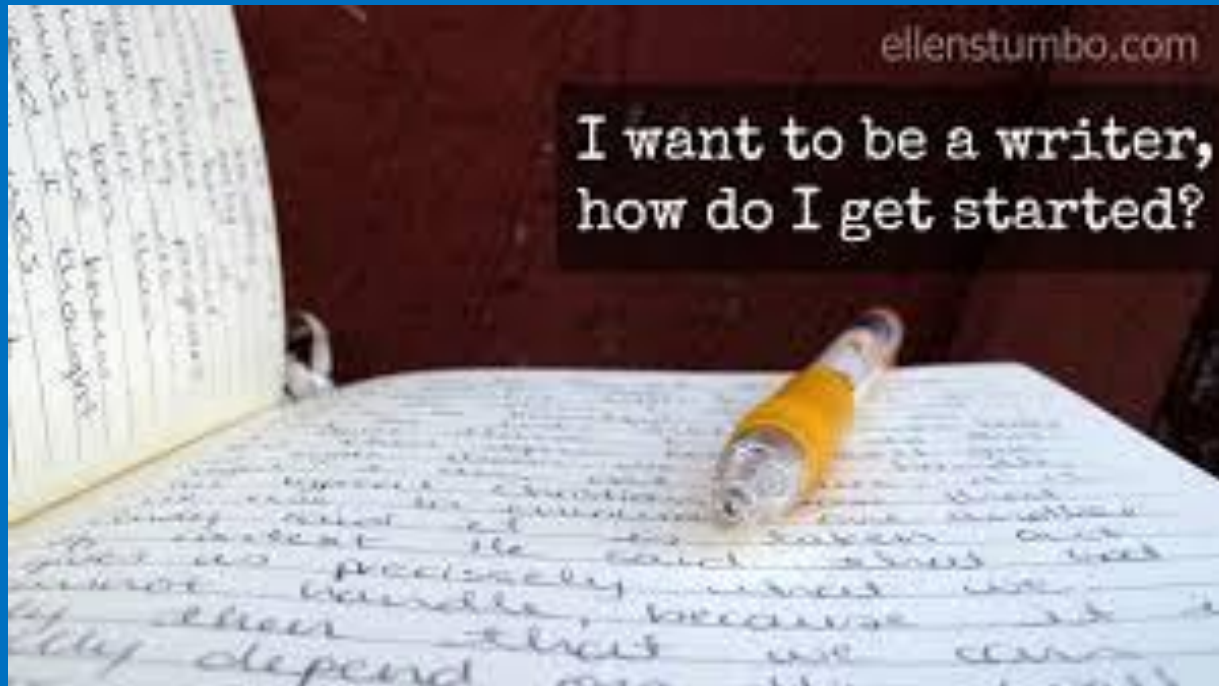


**Writing from the reader's perspective  
elevates your writing .....  
from good to very good.....  
maybe even to excellent !**



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I want to be a writer,  
how do I get started?



# Basic structure of a biomedical or scientific research paper

**Title**

**Abstract**

**Introduction**

**Materials and Methods**

**Results**

**Discussion**

**Acknowledgements**

**References**



# Elements to be covered in today's workshop \*

Title \*

Abstract \*

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**how to nurture your manuscript.....**

**To help your manuscript to develop, you refine your text so that it exemplifies the 5 C's of effective writing**

**clarity**

**cohesion**

**conciseness**

**consistency**

**conviction**

**Let us now begin.....**