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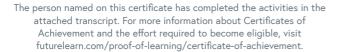
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#### **LEARNING OUTCOMES**

- Explain what science writing is and identify different types.
- Identify how to source examples of science writing and evaluate them.
- Evaluate how science is communicated through the media.
- Identify how to define an audience, angle and the top-line in science writing.
- Demonstrate how to structure a narrative.
- Identify the appropriate use of reporting and interviewing techniques.
- Develop a news article, blog post or video script.
- Reflect on the power of science blogs and videos as communication tools.

### **SYLLABUS**

- Examine the different forms science writing can take, and the sources for finding out about science.
- Examine the factors to consider when preparing to write your own science story, such as the angle, who your audience is, and why they will be interested in a story.
- Understand how to structure a narrative.

- Examine the different components you need to write for news articles, press releases and blogs, such as the headline for a news article.
- Understand the importance of balance in a news story and how to achieve it.
- Explore how to use video stories to communicate scientific information to different audiences
- Explore interviewing techniques to use before and during a broadcast.
- Write a news article, blog post or video script; and review and comment on the work of other learners.

#### ACCREDITATION

This course has been certified by the CPD Certification Service as conforming to continuing professional development principles. By completing the course the learner has achieved 14 hours of CPD time.

