# I: Writing a Group Report

#### 1: The writing process



#### 2: Time Management

- Less time spent planning = more time spent editing
- More time spent planning = less time spent editing

#### 3: Grand Planning: Benefits

- Planning the input controls he output
- Make drafting easier
- Editing process should become more manageable and streamlined

#### 4: Pre-writing: The House Style

- Neutral, objective language (you can check the phrasebank.manchester.ac.uk)
- Avoiding contractions.
- Keeping an eye on sentence length (3 lines)

### 5: Drafting strategies

Write in short, time burst if this makes it easier

Leave notes to self to separate writing from editing

## 6: Editing: the three stages

#### 6.1: Editing for structure

- Paragraphs
  - Topic sentence
  - This point is developed throughout a paragraph
- Transitions
  - Compare the last line of a paragraph with the first line of the next
  - Compare the sense of logical progression
- Relevance
  - Any repetitions
  - Need to versus nice to know for the reader

#### 6.2: Editing for criticality

- For every point you make, could the reader come back at you with a question?
- Reading aloud can help identify the inconsistencies in tone, long and unwieldy sentences and inaccurate vocabulary use.