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Resources in education - 1986-04

Agincourt - Juliet Barker 2008-12-21

From a master historian comes an astonishing chronicle of life in medieval Europe and the battle that altered the course of an empire. Although almost six centuries old, the Battle of Agincourt still captivates the imaginations of men and women on both sides of the Atlantic. It has been immortalized in high culture (Shakespeare's Henry V) and low (the New York Post prints Henry's battle cry on its editorial page each Memorial Day). It is the classic underdog story in the history of warfare, and generations have wondered how the English -- outnumbered by the French six to one -- could have succeeded so bravely and brilliantly. Drawing upon a wide range of sources, eminent scholar Juliet Barker casts aside the legend and shows us that the truth behind Agincourt is just as exciting, just as fascinating, and far more significant. She paints a gripping narrative of the October 1415 clash between outnumbered English archers and heavily armored French knights. But she also takes us beyond the battlefield into palaces and common cottages to bring into vivid focus an entire medieval world in flux. Populated with chivalrous heroes, dastardly spies, and a ferocious and bold king, Agincourt is as earthshaking as its subject -- and confirms Juliet Barker's status as both a historian and a storyteller of the first rank.

Systems Analysis Design - Alan Dennis 2003

In a field as exciting and dynamic as Systems Analysis and Design (SAD), there will always be new technologies and approaches to develop

systems more effectively and efficiently. The authors have focused on the core set of skills that all analysts must possess - from gathering requirements and modelling business needs to creating blueprints for how the system should be built.

Software Education Conference (SRIG-ET '94) - Martin Purvis 1995

Communication on and via Technology -

Annely Rothkegel 2012-07-04

The interdependency of technology and communication presents theoreticians as well as practitioners with a wide range of problems. Among the topics discussed in this interdisciplinary volume are: technological knowledge in text and context in combination with cognitive and social conditions, knowledge transfer beyond languages and cultures, the influence of the world wide web on social communities.

Writing in the Health Professions - Barbara Heifferon 2005

Practical, applied, and up-to-the-minute, *Writing for the Health Professions* teaches students, healthcare professionals, and professional writers the essential skills in medical and health communications. Drawing on her extensive experience as a nurse, cardio-pulmonary technician, medical writer, and writing teacher, Barbara Heifferon addresses the communications requirements of the healthcare professions and those who write in these high-tech fields. This comprehensive text covers writing situations and documents common in hospitals, clinics, HMOs, health insurance

companies, public health campaigns, and other healthcare environments. Special attention is given to visual and electronic forms of communication, including Web sites and multimedia productions.

Technical Editing - Carolyn D. Rude 1998

A textbook for a graduate or undergraduate course presenting not lists of rules but principles and strategies of grammar, punctuation, style, organization, and visual design of technical information. Revised from the 1991 edition to incorporate changes on the technology and the global marketplace, s

Applied Computer Science for GGOS

Observatories - Alexander N.J. Neidhardt

2017-08-08

This book combines elementary theory from computer science with real-world challenges in global geodetic observation, based on examples from the Geodetic Observatory Wettzell, Germany. It starts with a step-by-step introduction to developing stable and safe scientific software to run successful software projects. The use of software toolboxes is another essential aspect that leads to the application of generative programming. An example is a generative network middleware that simplifies communication. One of the book's main focuses is on explaining a potential strategy involving autonomous production cells for space geodetic techniques. The complete software design of a satellite laser ranging system is taken as an example. Such automated systems are then combined for global interaction using secure communication tunnels for remote access. The network of radio telescopes is used as a reference. Combined observatories form coordinated multi-agent systems and offer solutions for operational aspects of the Global Geodetic Observing System (GGOS) with regard to "Industry 4.0".

Usability Testing and Research - Carol M. Barnum 2002

Built on a solid foundation of current research in the field, *Usability Testing and Research* provides a comprehensive, up-to-date perspective in this increasingly important area of technical communication. Based on the most current research in the field, this book reflects the most recent developments and studies on this topic available. Sidebars throughout the

book catch the attention of the readers and highlight key concepts in the text. A chapter on web testing provides coverage of what is now the hottest area in usability testing. End of chapter discussions and exercises reinforce learning. Frequent examples of planning, conducting, and reporting usability tests present current samples of projects. An appendix on teamwork gives pertinent advice in an area neglected by other texts: building and coordinating cross-functional teams for usability testing. For those interested in usability testing and research.

Systems Analysis and Design - Alan Dennis

2021-11-23

Systems Analysis and Design, 8th Edition offers students a hands-on introduction to the core concepts of systems analysis and systems design. Following a project-based approach written to mimic real-world workflow, the text includes a multitude of cases and examples, in-depth explanations, and special features that highlight crucial concepts and emphasize the application of fundamental theory to real projects.

Systems Analysis and Design with UML

Version 2.0 - Alan Dennis 2005

A modern, hands-on approach to doing SAD--in UML! Get the core skills you need to actually do systems analysis and design with this highly practical, hands-on approach to SAD using UML! Authors Alan Dennis, Barbara Haley Wixom, and David Tegarden guide you through each part of the SAD process, with clear explanations of what it is and how to implement it, along with detailed examples and exercises that allow you to practice what you've learned. Now updated to include UML Version 2.0 and revised, this Second Edition features a new chapter on the Unified Process, increased coverage of project management, and more examples. Highlights
Written in UML: The text takes a contemporary, object-oriented approach using UML. Focus on doing SAD: After presenting the how and what of each major technique, the text guides you through practice problems and then invites you to use the technique in a project. Rich examples of both success and failure: Concepts in Action boxes describe how real companies succeeded and failed in performing the activities in the chapters. Project approach: Each chapter

focuses on a different step in the Systems Development Life Cycle (SDLC) process. Topics are presented in the order in which they are encountered in a typical project. A running case: This case threaded throughout the text allows you to apply each concept you have learned.

Journal of Business and Technical Communication - 1992

IBM Tivoli Directory Server for z/OS - Karan Singh 2011-07-07

This IBM® Redbooks® publication examines the IBM Tivoli® Directory Server for z/OS®. IBM Tivoli Directory Server is a powerful Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP) infrastructure that provides a foundation for deploying comprehensive identity management applications and advanced software architectures. This publication provides an introduction to the IBM Tivoli Directory Server for z/OS that provides a brief summary of its features and an examination of the possible deployment topologies. It discusses planning a deployment of IBM Tivoli Directory Server for z/OS, which includes prerequisites, planning considerations, and data stores, and provides a brief overview of the configuration process. Additional chapters provide a detailed discussion of the IBM Tivoli Directory Server for z/OS architecture that examines the supported back ends, discusses in what scenarios they are best used, and provides usage examples for each back end. The discussion of schemas breaks down the schema and provides guidance on extending it. A broad discussion of authentication, authorization, and security examines the various access protections, bind mechanisms, and transport security available with IBM Tivoli Directory Server for z/OS. This chapter also provides an examination of the new Password Policy feature. Basic and advanced replication topologies are also covered. A discussion on plug-ins provides details on the various types of plug-ins, the plug-in architecture, and creating a plug-in, and provides an example plug-in. Integration of IBM Tivoli Directory Server for z/OS into the IBM Workload Manager environment is also covered. This publication also provides detailed information about the configuration of IBM Tivoli Directory Server for z/OS. It discusses

deploying IBM Tivoli Directory Server for z/OS on a single system, with examples of configuring the available back ends. Configuration examples are also provided for deploying the server in a Sysplex, and for both basic and advanced replication topologies. Finally it provides guidance on monitoring and debugging IBM Tivoli Directory Server for z/OS.

User-Centered Technology - Robert R. Johnson 1998-01-01

Presents a theoretical model for examining technology through a user perspective.

Guide to the Software Engineering Body of Knowledge - Alain Abran 2001

Handbook of Technical Writing - Charles T. Brusaw 1997-08-15

New to this edition: Up-to-date information on on-line research and computer resources. A unique four-way access system enables users of the Handbook of Technical Writing to find what they need quickly and get on with the job of writing: 1. The hundreds of entries in the body of the Handbook are alphabetically arranged, so you can flip right to the topic at hand. Words and phrases in bold type provide cross-references to related entries. 2. The topical key groups alphabetical entries and page numbers under broader topic categories. This topical table of contents allows you to check broader subject areas for the specific topic you need. 3. The checklist of the writing process summarizes the opening essay on "Five Steps to Successful Writing" in checklist form with page references to related topics, making it easy to use the Handbook as a writing text. 4. The comprehensive index provides an exhaustive listing of related and commonly confused topics, so you can easily locate information even when you don't know the exact term you're looking for.

Perspectives on Software Documentation - Thomas T Barker 2020-11-26

This book is designed to address the randomness of the literature on software documentation. As anyone interested in software documentation is aware, the field is highly synthetic; information about software documentation may be found in engineering, computer science training, technical communication, management, education and so on. "Perspectives on Software Documentation" contains a variety of

perspectives, all tied together by the shared need to make software products more usable.

The Craft of Research, 2nd edition - Wayne C. Booth 2008-04-15

Since 1995, more than 150,000 students and researchers have turned to *The Craft of Research* for clear and helpful guidance on how to conduct research and report it effectively. Now, master teachers Wayne C. Booth, Gregory G. Colomb, and Joseph M. Williams present a completely revised and updated version of their classic handbook. Like its predecessor, this new edition reflects the way researchers actually work: in a complex circuit of thinking, writing, revising, and rethinking. It shows how each part of this process influences the others and how a successful research report is an orchestrated conversation between a researcher and a reader. Along with many other topics, *The Craft of Research* explains how to build an argument that motivates readers to accept a claim; how to anticipate the reservations of thoughtful yet critical readers and to respond to them appropriately; and how to create introductions and conclusions that answer that most demanding question, "So what?" Celebrated by reviewers for its logic and clarity, this popular book retains its five-part structure. Part 1 provides an orientation to the research process and begins the discussion of what motivates researchers and their readers. Part 2 focuses on finding a topic, planning the project, and locating appropriate sources. This section is brought up to date with new information on the role of the Internet in research, including how to find and evaluate sources, avoid their misuse, and test their reliability. Part 3 explains the art of making an argument and supporting it. The authors have extensively revised this section to present the structure of an argument in clearer and more accessible terms than in the first edition. New distinctions are made among reasons, evidence, and reports of evidence. The concepts of qualifications and rebuttals are recast as acknowledgment and response. Part 4 covers drafting and revising, and offers new information on the visual representation of data. Part 5 concludes the book with an updated discussion of the ethics of research, as well as an expanded bibliography that includes many electronic sources. The new edition retains the

accessibility, insights, and directness that have made *The Craft of Research* an indispensable guide for anyone doing research, from students in high school through advanced graduate study to businesspeople and government employees.

The authors demonstrate convincingly that researching and reporting skills can be learned and used by all who undertake research projects. New to this edition: Extensive coverage of how to do research on the internet, including how to evaluate and test the reliability of sources New information on the visual representation of data Expanded bibliography with many electronic sources

Planning and Structuring User Assistance - Marc Ahtelig 2012

Even the best information is worthless if users can't find it. Providing user-friendly structure and navigation is just as important as providing well-written content. However, structuring user assistance isn't as simple and obvious as it may seem. If you think that your document structure should follow the structure of your product's components and functions: You're wrong. If you think that the type of document that you prefer is the same type of document that your clients prefer: You're wrong. If you think that all the information that you have is important: You're also wrong. This book tells you how to structure, index, and link your documents so that readers actually find the information that your documents contain. Topics covered: General structuring principles that all structural decisions have in common. Choosing media: Should you provide a printed or printable user manual (PDF), online help, or both? What information should go into the user manual, and what information should go into online help? Which help format should you use? Can context-sensitive help calls be implemented? Should you provide interactive features and social features? Planning documents: Should you put all information into one document, or should you supply several user manuals for specific purposes and user groups? How should you name your documents? Planning document sections: What are the major sections that your documents should consist of? Are there any standard sections that you shouldn't forget? Planning topics: What types of information do your clients need? How should you build and

name the individual topics within the document?
Planning the order of sections and topics: How should you organize the sections and topics within your documents? What comes first? What comes later? Planning navigation: Which navigational devices should you provide in printed documents and in online help systems? Where should you provide links or cross-references and where not? Audience: Technical writers Developers Marketing professionals Product managers

Handbook of Writing and Text Production - Eva-Maria Jakobs 2014-02-27

Writing matters, and so does research into real-life writing. The shift from an industrial to an information society has increased the importance of writing and text production in education, in everyday life and in more and more professions in the fields of economics and politics, science and technology, culture and media. Through writing, we build up organizations and social networks, develop projects, inform colleagues and customers, and generate the basis for decisions. The quality of writing is decisive for social resonance and professional success. This ubiquitous real-life writing is what the present handbook is about. The de Gruyter Handbook of Writing and Text Production brings together and systematizes state-of-the-art research. The volume contains five sections, focussing on (I) the theory and methodology of writing and text production research, as well as on problem-oriented and problem-solving approaches related to (II) authors, (III) modes and media, (IV) genres, and (V) domains of writing and text production. Throughout the 21 chapters, exemplary research projects illustrate the theoretical perspectives from globally relevant research spaces and traditions. Both established and future scholars can benefit from the handbook's fresh approach to writing in the context of multimodal, multi-semiotic text production.

Encyclopedia of Computer Science and Technology - Harry Henderson 2009

Presents an illustrated A-Z encyclopedia containing approximately 600 entries on computer and technology related topics.

Read Me First! - Sun Technical Publications 2003

bull; The must-have reference for every

technical writer, editor, and documentation manager bull; Provides all the information you need to document hardware, software, or other computer products bull; Written by award-winning documentation experts at Sun Technical Publications, Read Me First! is the most comprehensive guide to creating documentation that is clear, consistent, and easy to understand
CCCC Bibliography of Composition and Rhetoric 1991 - Gail E. Hawisher 1993

The CCCC Bibliography of Composition and Rhetoric, published for the Conference on College Composition and Communication, offers teachers and researchers an annual classified listing of scholarship on written English and its teaching at the college level. The 1991 volume lists and annotates 1,925 articles, books, dissertations, and papers that, with few exceptions, were published during the 1991 calendar year. A group of 171 contributing bibliographers prepared the citations and annotations for the entries appearing in this volume. The CCCC Bibliography includes an index of authors and editors, a subject index, and entries cross-referenced according to subject matter. Considerably more comprehensive than other bibliographies in composition studies, the CCCC Bibliography of Composition and Rhetoric draws upon a large group of experts in the field to aid teachers and researchers in sorting through a vast body of interdisciplinary material, making their work easier and more effective. Annotations accompany all entries in this volume. They describe a publication's contents and are intended to help users determine its usefulness. Annotations are brief and, insofar as the English language allows, are meant to be descriptive, not evaluative—they explain what an entry is about while leaving readers free to judge for themselves the work's merits. Most annotations serve one of three functions: they present the document's thesis, main argument, or major research finding; they describe the work's major organizational divisions; or they indicate the purpose or scope of the work. The subject index lists most of the topics discussed in the works cited in this volume. Consulting the Subject Index will help users locate sections and subsections containing large numbers of entries addressing the same topic. Each document is

cited and annotated only once under one of the five major sections of the CCCC Bibliography. Each entry, however, receives an "entry number" so that cross-references to other sections are possible. This feature is especially useful because much scholarship in composition and rhetoric is interdisciplinary in nature. Cross-references appear as a listing of entry numbers, preceded by "See also," found at the end of each subsection. Entries appear under five major categories: bibliographies and checklists; theory and research; teacher education, administration, and social roles; curriculum; and testing, measurement, and evaluation. Although the CCCC Bibliography excludes master's theses, textbooks, computer software, and book reviews from its coverage, it furnishes citations to review essays, articles appearing in some 220 journals, scholarly monographs and essay collections, dissertations abstracted in Dissertation Abstracts International, and selected documents and conference materials available through ERIC.

IPCC 90, Communication Across the Sea, North American & European Practices - 1990

Controlling Language in Industry - Stephen Crabbe 2017-01-30

This book provides an in-depth study of controlled languages used in technical documents from both a theoretical and practical perspective. It first explores the history of controlled languages employed by the manufacturing industry to shape and constrain the information in technical documents. The author then offers a comparative analysis of existing controlled languages and distills the best-practice features of those language systems. He concludes by offering innovative models that can be used to develop and trial a new controlled language. This book will be of interest to linguists working in technical and professional communication, as well as writers and practitioners involved in the production of technical documents for companies in multiple industries and geographical locations.

Writing a Professional Life - Gerald J. Savage 2001

This is the first collection of narratives by practicing technical communicators telling their own personal stories about the workplace and

their lives on the job. The authors portray a wide range of jobs: writers, editors, interface designers, marketing writers, and trainers working in 9 different technical fields, including software, R&D, engineering, medicine, transportation, and telecommunications. The stories vividly demonstrate the unique power of narrative as a teaching and learning tool. Unlike fabricated cases, these real-life narratives show new and veteran technical writers at work on the job, dealing with tasks, clients, and co-workers, and revealing their insights, values, and attitudes about their work. The stories also show the skills required in the profession and the ethical and other issues raised in the course of the workday. For anyone interested in technical communication and professional writing.

Conference Record - 1992

Journal of Applied Fire Science - 1993

Software-Defined Radio for Engineers -

Alexander M. Wyglinski 2018-04-30

Based on the popular Artech House classic, *Digital Communication Systems Engineering with Software-Defined Radio*, this book provides a practical approach to quickly learning the software-defined radio (SDR) concepts needed for work in the field. This up-to-date volume guides readers on how to quickly prototype wireless designs using SDR for real-world testing and experimentation. This book explores advanced wireless communication techniques such as OFDM, LTE, WLA, and hardware targeting. Readers will gain an understanding of the core concepts behind wireless hardware, such as the radio frequency front-end, analog-to-digital and digital-to-analog converters, as well as various processing technologies. Moreover, this volume includes chapters on timing estimation, matched filtering, frame synchronization message decoding, and source coding. The orthogonal frequency division multiplexing is explained and details about HDL code generation and deployment are provided. The book concludes with coverage of the WLAN toolbox with OFDM beacon reception and the LTE toolbox with downlink reception. Multiple case studies are provided throughout the book. Both MATLAB and Simulink source code are

included to assist readers with their projects in the field.

Writing Software Documentation - Thomas T. Barker 1998

Part of the new Allyn & Bacon series in technical communication, Writing Software

Documentation features a step-by-step strategy to writing and describing procedures. This task-oriented book is designed to support both college students taking a course and professionals working in the field. Teaching apparatus includes complete programs for students to work on and a full set of project tracking forms, as well as a broad range of examples including Windows-style pages and screens and award-winning examples from STC competitions.

My Work Is Not Yet Done - Thomas Ligotti
2011-05-31

When junior manager Frank Dominio is suddenly demoted and then sacked it seems there was more than a grain of truth to his persecution fantasies. But as he prepares to even the score with those responsible for his demise, he unwittingly finds an ally in a dark and malevolent force that grants him supernatural powers. Frank takes his revenge in the most ghastly ways imaginable - but there will be a terrible price to pay once his work is done. Destined to be a cult classic, this tale of corporate horror and demonic retribution will strike a chord with anyone who has ever been disgruntled at work.

Principles of Web Design - David K. Farkas
2002

This is a conceptually rich book that teaches web design skills and offers practical guidance within a coherent framework of information-design principles and hypertext theory. With a very clear yet trim writing style and over 150 illustrations, this book offers a broad range of discussion items. An emphasis on intellectually challenging questions call for review and synthesis, problem solving, and the focused examination of Websites. A set of 30 "Quick Start" design principles enables readers to begin working on a project. Explanation of copyright issues include public domain content, fair use, and related issues. Emphasis on usability testing and other forms of evaluation teach the importance of involving users in the design

process and help plan and conduct basic usability tests. For those interested in multimedia and web design.

Technical Marketing Communication - Sandra W. Harner 2002

This book provides the necessary preparation for the breakneck speed of technical marketing communications in today's Internet economy. A progressive approach first explains the role and responsibility of marketing communication in a technology-filled world. Then, on that foundation, the book progressively introduces the concepts of needs analysis, audience analysis, strategy development, media choices, tactics, and continuous evaluation. A first person scenario opens each chapter, giving readers a glimpse of real-world experiences as told by professionals in the field. A "Summing it Up" section at the end of every chapter provides a quick reference guide to the most important material covered in the chapter. An "Applying What You've Learned" section at the end of every chapter includes exercises and discussion starters. For those interested in expanding their skills in technical marketing communication.

Mastering Documentation - Paula Bell
1989-04-19

This provides an essential guide to designing, writing, and maintaining effective documentation throughout the project life cycle. Includes aids to tailoring documentation to specific audiences.

Connecting People with Technology - George Hayhoe 2020-11-26

This book explores five important areas where technology affects society, and suggests ways in which human communication can facilitate the use of that technology. Usability has become a foundational discipline in technical and professional communication that grows out of our rhetorical roots, which emphasize purpose and audience. As our appreciation of audience has grown beyond engineers and scientists to lay users of technology, our appreciation of the diversity of those audiences in terms of age, geography, and other factors has similarly expanded. We are also coming to grips with what Thomas Friedman calls the 'flat world,' a paradigm that influences how we communicate with members of other cultures and speakers of other languages. And because most of the

flatteners are either technologies themselves or technology-driven, technical and professional communicators need to leverage these technologies to serve global audiences. Similarly, we are inundated with information about world crises involving health and safety issues. These crises are driven by the effects of terrorism, the aging population, HIV/AIDS, and both human-made and natural disasters. These issues are becoming more visible because they are literally matters of life and death. Furthermore, they are of special concern to audiences that technical and professional communicators have little experience targeting - the shapers of public policy, seniors, adolescents, and those affected by disaster. Biotechnology is another area that has provided new roles for technical and professional communicators. We are only beginning to understand how to communicate the science accurately without either deceiving or panicking our audience. We need to develop a more sophisticated understanding of how communication can shape reactions to biotechnology developments. Confronting this complex network of issues, we're challenged to fashion both our message and the audience's perceptions ethically. Finally, today's corporate environment is being shaped by technology and the global nature of business. Technical and professional communicators can play a role in capturing and managing knowledge, in using technology effectively in the virtual workplace, and in understanding how language shapes organizational culture.

Oral Presentations for Technical

Communication - Laura J. Gurak 2000

Oral Presentations for Technical Communication provides what most technical communication books lack: clear, accessible instruction on speaking. This book helps professionals master public speaking in a technical or scientific environment, whether it be through traditional presentations with whiteboards and flipcharts or presentations with computer software such as PowerPoint. Unlike most general speech texts, which include examples from various disciplines, Oral Presentations uses specific examples from the fields of science and technology and shows how skilled technical communicators make complex information accessible to non-technical audiences. The first three parts of the book focus

on basic skills and concepts, including four basic types of presentations relevant to technical communication. The last two parts introduce more advanced topics, such as legal, privacy, and censorship issues, and the changing nature of presentations in the digital age. Oral Presentations thus brings together the best, most current instruction from three fields: technical communication/rhetoric, speech communication, and computer and information technology. For professionals in public speaking, oral presentations, and technical communication.

Global Contexts - Deborah S. Bosley 2001

A dozen case studies, some fiction some real, for use in a graduate or undergraduate technical communication course. They reveal issues relevant at the international level, offer strategies for recognizing behaviors and patterns of thinking and feeling that affect technical documentation, and identify

[Perspectives on Software Documentation](#) -

Thomas T. Barker 1991

Designed to address the randomness of the literature on software documentation. This book contains a variety of perspectives, tied together by the need to make software products more usable.

Read Me First! A Style Guide for the Computer Industry, Third Edition - Sun Technical Publications 2009-12-17

The definitive reference for technical writers, editors, and documentation managers, *Read Me First! A Style Guide for the Computer Industry, Third Edition*, has been revised and updated to cover everything from creating screencasts and referencing web sites to writing for wikis. This award-winning guide to creating clear, consistent, and easy-to-understand documentation covers everything from grammar and writing style to typographic and legal guidelines. The authors, who are senior editors and writers at Sun Microsystems, share their extensive experience and provide practical tips and recommendations, including guidance on hiring writers, working with illustrators, managing schedules and workflow, and more. The third edition of *Read Me First* features new chapters on: Writing for wikis and encouraging wiki collaboration Creating screencasts, using screencast terminology, and guidelines for

writing narration Creating alternative text for nontext elements such as screen captures, multimedia content, illustrations, and diagrams It also includes new tables for symbol name conventions, for common anthropomorphisms, and for common idioms and colloquialisms. An updated and expanded recommended reading list suggests additional resources.

Technical Writing Style - Dan Richard Jones 1998

Advanced technical communication books are becoming more and more available. However, each book is solely devoted to a specialized topic such as technical editing, design, illustration, usability testing, and online documentation. Despite all of these introductory and advanced

books, not one is available specifically devoted to the challenges of style in technical communication. KEY TOPICS: This 12-point approach offers the most current and comprehensive instruction available in achieving an effective style in technical documents. It shows that technical prose style varies from the highly formal to the colloquial, from the pretentious to the plain, and it demonstrates the many stylistic strategies writers should consider for every technical document they write. Anyone who has to write professional and technical documents, specifically, engineers, software developers/consultants, medical writers, professional technical writers. Part of the Allyn & Bacon Series in Technical communication.