

# Start developing academic communication

1. Familiarisation – building language (start noticing and recording academic language), read about academic communication (search websites and books with titles like ‘how to write academic essays’, ‘university-level writing’ and ‘academic writing in history’ – there are plenty of these to get you started)
2. Structured thinking, justified argument – Try writing a structured argument for a decision you have made – e.g. choosing a holiday destination or buying a car.
3. Developing voice – Read an academic article or book and pay attention to how you respond. What makes you respond in that way? E.g. a convincing argument, strong evidence, clearly structured, writing style.

