

Book and Link List for Story Telling in Academic English

I'll be adding to this list as my research into the topic continues. If you have any suggestions, let me know.

Books

1. Schimel, J. 2012. <i>Writing Science: How to write papers that get cited and proposals that get funded</i> . Oxford. OUP	Probably one of the books that has recently most influenced the way I think about scientific writing. It emphasises the story-telling approach to scientific writing, especially important in proposals, and shows the reader how to get from turgid texts to exciting prose, even when reporting science. It's a fairly long book, so don't expect to get through it quickly.
2. Luna, R.E., 2013. <i>The Art of Scientific Storytelling: Transform your research manuscript with a step-by-step formula</i> . Amando International	For those interested in changing a standard scientific paper into a story. Interesting aspects that might not always be well received in the scientific world.
3. Olson, R., 2015. <i>Houston, We Have a Narrative: Why Science Needs Story</i> . Chicago, University of Chicago Press	An informative book, written slightly in Hollywood style but one that has been important to my workshops because it introduced me to the concept of ABT.
4. Berning, N. 2010. <i>Narrative Means to Journalistic Ends: A Narratological Analysis of Selected Journalistic Reportages</i> . Hackensack, NJ, VS Research	Only for those hard-core interested in story-telling: a doctoral thesis on whether literary non-fiction can be analysed as a narrative. This book and the next one contain interesting ideas for analysing whether there is actually a story in a non-fictional text (in this case, literary non-fiction).
5. Berning, N. 2013. <i>Towards a Critical Ethical Narratology: Analyzing Value Construction in Literary Non-Fiction across Media</i> . Trier, WVT Handbücher und Studien zur Medienkultur	Again, only for hard-core investigators
6. Greene, A. 2013. <i>Writing Science in Plain English</i> . Chicago, University of Chicago	This book has all the usual recommendations for writing good science and concentrates on the story-telling aspect of scientific writing.

Links

The Tech and Science Behind Little Red Riding Hood	An amusing and thought-provoking video
http://www.scienceofpeople.com/2017/01/the-science-of-storytelling/	A blog on the topic
http://io9.gizmodo.com/on-the-importance-of-storytelling-in-science-512947191	A blog on the topic. The site also contains other relevant blogs
http://journals.plos.org/plosone/article?id=10.1371/journal.pone.0167983	A scientific article on the topic. I am currently researching how good the method is – I have to ask other experts that!
https://www.beemgee.com/blog/story-vs-narrative/	An analysis of the difference between a story and a narrative
http://www.lastwordonnothing.com/2012/10/01/why-more-scientists-should-tell-stories/	Some good advice on whether or not to become interested in story-telling
https://youtu.be/oP3c1h8v2ZQ	One of my favourite tongue-in-cheek videos on the shape of stories by Kurt Vonnegut.