## Professional English Writing for Engineers and Utility Specialists

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- Hong Kong Association of Risk Management and Safety
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**Objective:** To introduce and demonstrate a number of practical writing strategies that **Engineers** and **Utility Specialists** will be able to apply when planning and writing different text-types in English in the professional world.

- 1. Choosing the right words
- 2. Finding the right preposition
- 3. Writing less: ellipsis, substitution and reference
- 4. Headlines and titles
- 5. Rhetorical functions and structuring

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