

Helpful books for communicating better

<u>Am I Making Myself Clear? A Scientist's Guide to Talking to the Public</u>, by Cornelia Dean (Harvard University Press 2009)

<u>Escape from The Ivory Tower: A Guide to Making Your Science Matter</u>, by Nancy Baron (Island Press, 2010)

<u>Explaining Research: How to Reach Key Audiences to Advance Your Work</u>, by Dennis Meredith (Oxford University Press, 2010)

<u>Made to Stick: Why Some Ideas Survive and Others Die</u>, by Chip Heath and Dan Heath (Random House, 2007)

<u>Don't Be Such a Scientist: Talking Substance in an Age of Style</u>, by Randy Olson (Island Press, 2009)

Examples of good science writing for the public

<u>The Disappearing Spoon</u>, by Sam Kean Back Bay Books, 2010)

<u>The Alchemy of Air: A Jewish Genius, a Doomed Tycoon, and the Scientific Discovery That Fed the</u> <u>World but Fueled the Rise of Hitler</u>, by Thomas Hager (Harmony/Crown, 2008)

<u>A Short History of Nearly Everything</u>, by Bill Bryson (Broadway Books, 2003)

And the classic books on writing:

On Writing Well, by William Zinsser

(HarperCollins, 2006)

The Elements of Style, by William Strunk, Jr. and E.B. White

(Longman, 1999 or any recent edition - there are many)