This College Africa Group course will enhance the user's skills on the subject and teaches fundamentals as well as strategies in an easy to follow, easy to understand format and includes practical exercises which will assist in developing your skills in the workplace.

# **COURSE OUTLINE - Better Business Writing**

Course Number: AXO84-106

Days: One Day

**Description:** After completing this book, you will have the critical skills to improve your spelling, punctuation, usage and style, while avoiding the pitfalls of business writing, and creating persuasive and more effective memos and letters. Ten key techniques for effective communication will help you grow more confident in your ability to express yourself clearly. Good business writing is as important as ever. Being able to recognize and correct problems, avoid redundancies, and define your communication goals are all critical factors for effective business writing.

# **Topic-Level Outline**

#### Part 1: Back to the Basics

Mastering Spelling, Punctuation, and Usage Six Tips for Better Spelling Punctuation Pointers

#### Part 2: Choosing Your Words Carefully

Sharpening Your Writing Style
Deleting (Unnecessary) Redundancies
Forming Parallel Construction
Recognizing Clichés
Avoiding Sexist Language

#### Part 3: Improving Your Business Writing

Strengthening Your Memos Using E–Mail Effectively Ten Tips for a Better Memo How to Begin

#### **Part 4: Writing for Special Circumstances**

Special Kinds of Business Writing Conveying Bad News Tactfully When the News Is Especially Sensitive Writing Persuasively Using the Motivated Sequence Outline

#### **Part 5: Know Your Audience**

Identifying Communication Styles
Sensor/Action Style
Thinker/Process Style
Feeler/People Style
Intuitor/Idea Style
Writing to Specific Styles

Ten Techniques for Effective Communication

#### **Appendix**

#### **Voluntary Learning Contract**

Appendix to Part 1 Appendix to Part 2 Appendix to Part 3 Appendix to Part 4 Additional Reading

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Established as EasyExcel, the company has been re-branded as College Africa Group. College Africa Group has been in operation since 2003 and has trained many corporate and professionals throughout Southern Africa. (For more info click here.) (<a href="http://www.collegeafricagroup.com">http://www.collegeafricagroup.com</a>)

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