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Broadcast News And Writing Stylebook (4th Edition)



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It's a great book and very easy to follow. I was not expecting a chapter on producer tips. Which helped immensely with my new job. Whether your new to the broadcast news business or just want to brush up a bit on your skills, this book is an easy reference guide on how to write and produce for local news and national news. I felt it was way more informational than some of the larger and more expensive writing books.

This is definitely needed if you are going in the Broadcast Journalism field or the journalism field in general. It's a great source and it's not the painful to read.

Just what I needed.

Bob Papper sent me a copy of his book after it was published in 1994. I enjoyed reading it, recognized many of the valuable lessons he taught me and the other students at The American University School of Communication back in the early 80's, and felt inspired to continue on the path cleared for us by this great Journalism teacher and broadcasting consultant. I highly recommend it

to anyone who wants to know anything about the subject.

I was a student of Bob Papper's at Ball State University and was among the first classes to use this book. Today, I'm a television news producer in a top 50 market, and I still refer to it often. It's easy to read, straight-forward style makes it ideal for students or professionals wanting to brush up on their technique. I am constantly lending it out to other producers and reporters in my shop

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