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In some circles there is an attitude that academic research consists of two distinct activities. The first of these is the execution of the research activities themselves and the second is writing it up in such a way that it may be presented either for a degree or for publication in a scholarly journal. This is an archaic attitude towards conducting academic research in the 21st century. The writing up of research is an integral part of the research

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itself, which should begin at the outset of the research activity. It is increasingly appreciated that the writing of ideas is a major contributor to their proper understanding. Leaving the writing until the end does not only lead to an accumulation of tiresome work but actually detracts from the learning available to the researcher through the research experience. This book addresses these issues as well as explaining what the requirements are to produce a readily acceptable research dissertation. Readers of this book have my best wishes in achieving their objectives through their work with

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