HOW TO WRITE or TALK ABOUT A PROJECT

Results: Experimental/Experience

1) Introduction
   Why are you doing this project?
   What do you hope to learn or accomplish?

2) Methods
   What experimental or job related techniques did you use?
   What apparatus did you use?
   Most importantly, WHY?

3) Conclusions
   Did you find or learn what you set out to?
   If not, why not?

Thoughts/Feelings:

1) Professor/Advisor
   What was he/she like?
   Did they help you?
   Did they show interest in you professionally and personally?
   Any personal feelings overall about them?

2) Other lab personnel
   Same as above.
   e.g., grad students, technician

3) Yourself
   How did you do in the lab or on the job?
   What would you like to change or keep the same?

Other Discussion:

From here on express your own personal thoughts and comments on how your project went for you. Did you enjoy it? Did you feel you learned some useful techniques? Would you do a project again? How could the Colloquium have helped you more? What difficulties did you experience in arranging or doing your project?

Your write-up should be five pages long or your presentation to the Colloquium class should be about 10 minutes long. Bringing a “prop” will help your oral presentation.

1/04