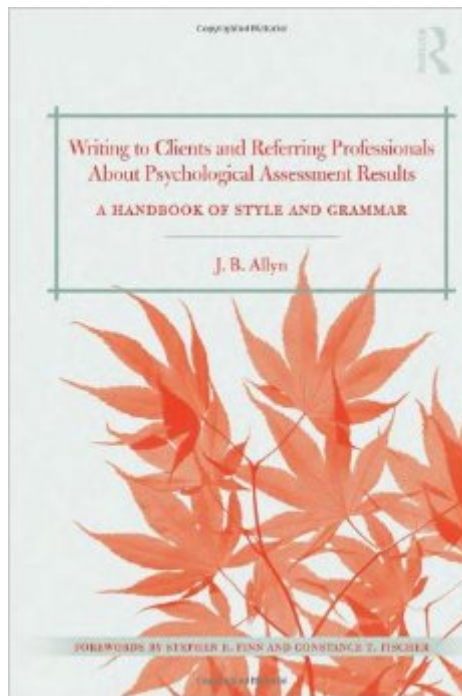


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I supervise students in writing psychological reports. It seems to me that nobody actually WRITES anymore. Maybe no one ever did it well, and I just didn't realize it because they all either a) didn't

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