J. User Guide Writing Tips

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There is no 'user'

no wants to be called a 'user'

1. There is no user...

The user is a person It's a person With feelings

For many of us, user guides are a last resort...

2. we read user guides...

When upset Stressed, lost As a last resort

Don't assume anything!

3. Avoid assumptions

Give context Discuss scenarios Be helpful

Problem solution

4. How to I?

Atomic writing 1 problem, 1 procedure Be exact

<h1>code samples</h1>

5. Code samples

Highlight prerequisites Known issues Expected output

Step one!

6. Steps

In correct order Remove waffle Link sensibly

7. Screenshots

Do they add value? Procedure in action Crop and highlight

8. Modular

Group by topic Write for reuse Structure information

Is it online?

9. Web

People hate PDFs Write for web Link topics

Could you look at this, please?

10. Review

Cross team reviews Track changes Avoid data pollution

Er... does that... explain... everything?

11. Ask for feedback

Include email on docs Review forums Send out surveys

That help?

Got a question?

Add your questions below the video and we'll get back to you

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