

For writing about the history of Aboriginal-European contact, the following suggestions may be useful.

Role/Audience	Format	Topic	Strong Verb
member of a specific aboriginal people	letter	any concept, topic or issue related to studies of history	complain
King/Queen of a specific country	memo		encourage
crew member	poem		persuade
ship's cook	pamphlet		define
child	telegram		compare
fur trader	obituary		explain
voyageur	script		restate
King's advisor	telegram		survey
cod fisherman	post card		contrast
explorer's wife	speech		predict
specific family member	song		critique
explorer	report		appraise
warrior	interview		justify
missionary	story		decide
shaman	note in a bottle		recommend
soldier	article		evaluate
chief of a specific aboriginal people	advertisement		inquire
trader	dialogue		warn
merchant	fax		question
Inuit	announcement		plead
sailor	poster	beg	
whaler	last will & testament	invite	
priest	epitaph	apologize	
	opinionnaire	brag	
	invitation	announce	
	survey	report	
	letter to the editor	advertise	
	e-mail		