

Technical Writing: How to Write Software Documentation

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Exercise: Write an instruction that will let a beginner user start the calculator application on your mobile phone using the principles above:

1.	Who are you writing for? My target user is:
2.	What information does my user need?
3. 4. 5.	I am going to use
6.	I shall structure my content in the following way:
7.	Here is my documentation: