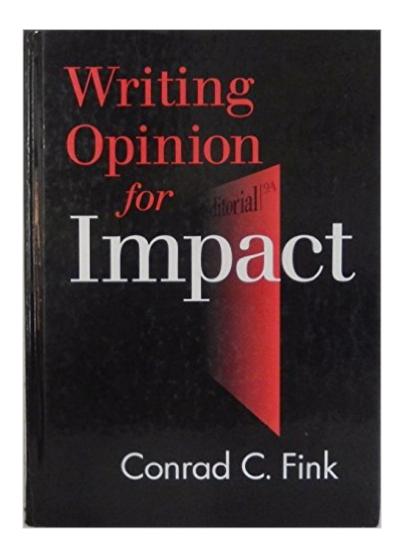
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Excellent book for beginning journalism students to learn about opinion writing. Has lots of examples from active journalists in the field as well as notable journalists from the past. GREAT READ!

Was not for me

I've read this book for a college course, and overall it is excellent. The only strange thing about this book is that it is written in a completely different style than one of Conrad Fink's earlier books, "Strategic Newspaper Management." This one, "Writing Opinion for Impact," is quite informal, even chatty, as compared with the formal, almost traditional, style of his newspaper management book. They are so dramatically different, it's as if they weren't even written by the same person.

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