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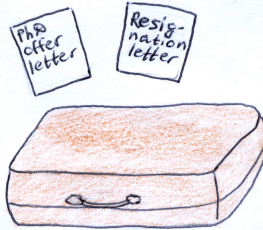


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JUNE '13

Wow!  
I was accepted  
to a PhD programme  
This is my dream  
coming true...



AUGUST '13

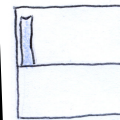


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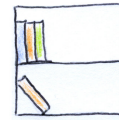
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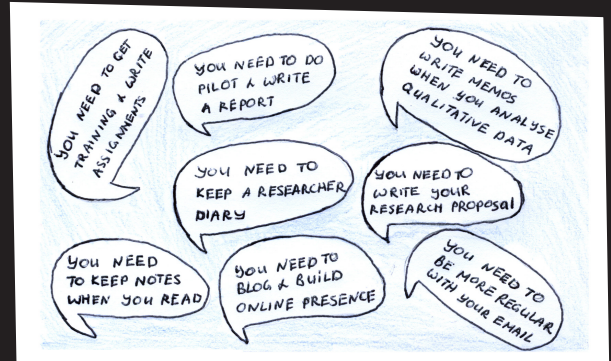
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# MY JOURNEY AS A RESEARCHER

HOW I CROSSED THE THIN LINE FROM HATING WRITING TO ACTUALLY LOVING IT

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"WRITING IS THINKING. IT IS NATURAL TO BELIEVE THAT YOU NEED TO BE CLEAR IN YOUR MIND WHAT YOU ARE TRYING TO EXPRESS FIRST BEFORE YOU CAN WRITE IT DOWN. HOWEVER, MOST OF THE TIME THE OPPOSITE IS TRUE" (Gibbs, 2007: 25)

"TO DO RESEARCH IS TO INQUIRE, TO DIG ONE'S WAY INTO A PROBLEM, AND WRITING IS ONE OF THE BEST TOOLS AVAILABLE FOR SUCH WORK" (Bolker, 1998: 3)

## DEVELOPING AS A WRITER

- Reading literature in my field has helped me to get a better understanding of what to write about
- Reading fiction literature in English has helped me to develop language skills
- Accepting myself as a person who hates writing in hand has helped me to stop fighting myself and start playing to my strengths

- Sorting my writing tools out has helped me to bring order to my writing and become more productive
- Trying writing down my thoughts has helped me to see the value of writing for myself and finally cross the thin line from hating writing to actually loving it

Bolker, J., 1998. Writing your dissertation in fifteen minutes a day. New York: Henry Holt and Company.

Gibbs, G., 2007. Analyzing qualitative data. London: SAGE.

THE END OF THE 1st YEAR

BOOM

BUT I SURVIVED...

JULY - AUGUST '14

I NEED A HOBBY, WHY DON'T I

I HAVE SO MANY THOUGHTS, WHY DON'T I WRITE THEM DOWN?



READ FICTION IN ENGLISH?



MY LANGUAGE JUST FLOWS!!!

BUT WRITING IN HAND SLOWS ME DOWN

Typing feels much better



MY COMPUTER IS JUST A MESS

NOW IT IS MORE ORGANISED AND TIDY



WRITING MY IDEA DOWN

MY IDEA IS GETTING BIGGER

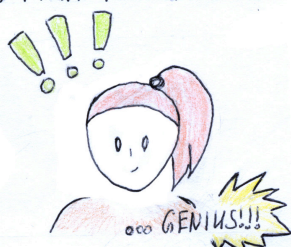


AND IT JUST... FLIES...

READING MY IDEA 2 MONTHS LATER

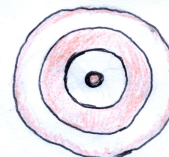


DID I THINK THIS? I AM A...



SEPTEMBER '14

I'll write for my PhD regularly from now on



TARGET

6 MONTHS LATER:

- ~30k OBSERVATION NOTES
- ~80k TRANSCRIPTS
- ~30k DATA GENERATION NOTES
- ~10k RESEARCHER DIARY
- ~3k FOR THESIS