

# Supporting doctoral writing: good practice guidelines

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Foster open channels  
of communication



Encourage ideas-development:  
journalling, freewriting, brainstorming,  
seminar presentations...



Nurture fellow  
researcher-in-the-  
making



Establish good writing  
habits (early & often)



Get to know whole  
person: whanau, interests,  
commitments, strengths,  
areas for development...



Provide timely,  
targeted, constructive  
feedback



Be alert to warning signs  
(drawing upon other  
agencies where necessary)



(Re)negotiate roles/  
responsibilities/priorities  
at each stage



Focus on big picture:  
- research question,  
- examiner expectations,  
- post-doc opportunities

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