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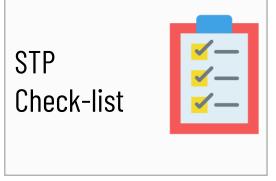




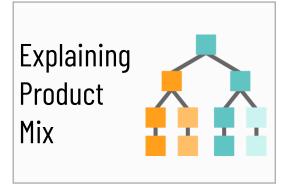


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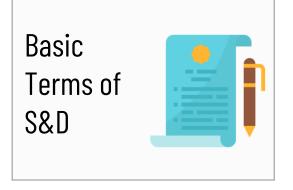


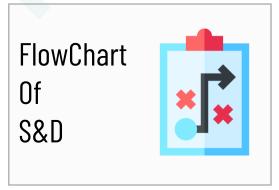






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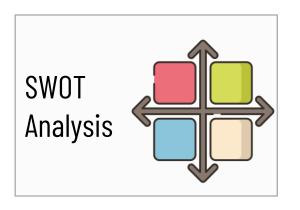




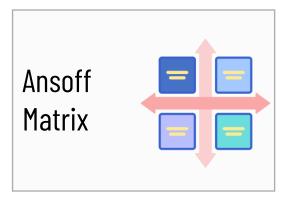
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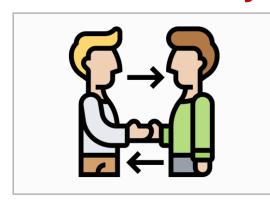


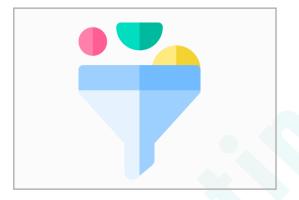


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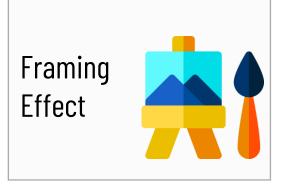
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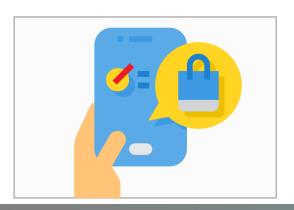




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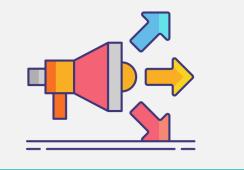
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#### **MARKETING**



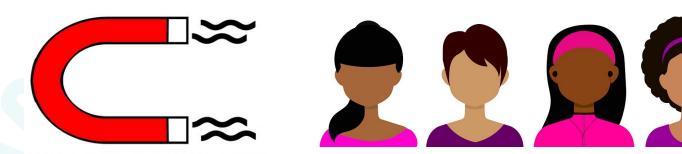
Marketing is **meeting consumer demands profitably**. It starts by identifying a gap in the Market - something for which there is an inert need/want that isn't sufficiently met.

Marketing works its way from here to building a product or a service that meets those needs and wants.

Marketing covers broad areas ranging from finding the right Target Group (TG) to pricing and communication strategies.

For now, Understand that a successful marketing execution brings prospects to you (its a Pull strategy).





A great example of identifying gaps in the Market is **Apple's iTunes**. iTunes changed the music industry by making it possible for customers to **own thousands of songs** on one listening device **at a very reasonable price**. Prior to this, owning Music was costly and piracy had encompassed the Music Industry.

#### **SELLING**



Selling is a process of convincing a prospect on buying your product or service (it's a push strategy).

This could be done by the Salesperson at your door or your local shopkeeper or a luxury showroom salesperson or in the digital world, the ecommerce website nudging you to make a purchase.

A well marketed product as against a poorly marketed product requires less effort in selling.

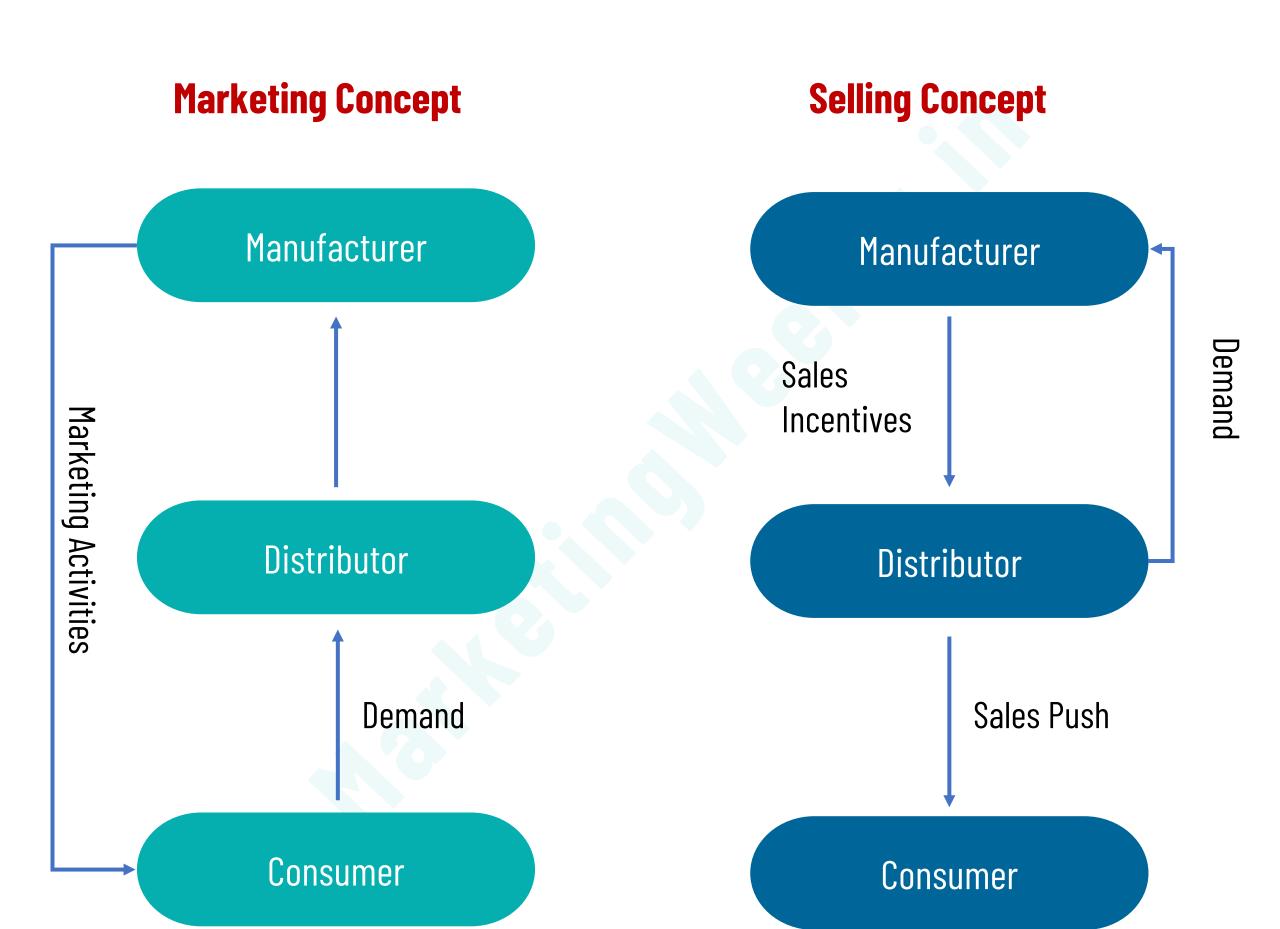
For Instance, it is easier to sell an **HDFC** savings account than it is to sell an **IndusInd** bank account. You are more likely to receive a cold call from IndusInd explaining to you the benefits of opening an account with them.

In certain Industries where product and/or service differentiation is difficult to achieve, revenues are driven primarily by pushing products to consumers.

For Instance, In Telecom product differentiation between **Airtel and Vodafone** is minimal. These companies focus on selling and strengthening regions of operations.

#### MARKETING VS SELLING





#### MARKETING VS SELLING: ONE VIEW



Marketing	Selling
Pull Strategy	Push Strategy
Customer centric	Product centric
Revenue generated from providing right product to the right audience	Revenue generated from reaching out to as many consumers as possible
Focuses on increasing revenue by optimizing the processes	Focuses on increasing revenue by increasing the volume of sales
Long Term Planning	Short Term Planning

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Interesting Read: The art of Direct Selling







#### **MARKETING MIX**



Do you know what makes a product/service **successful** in the market?

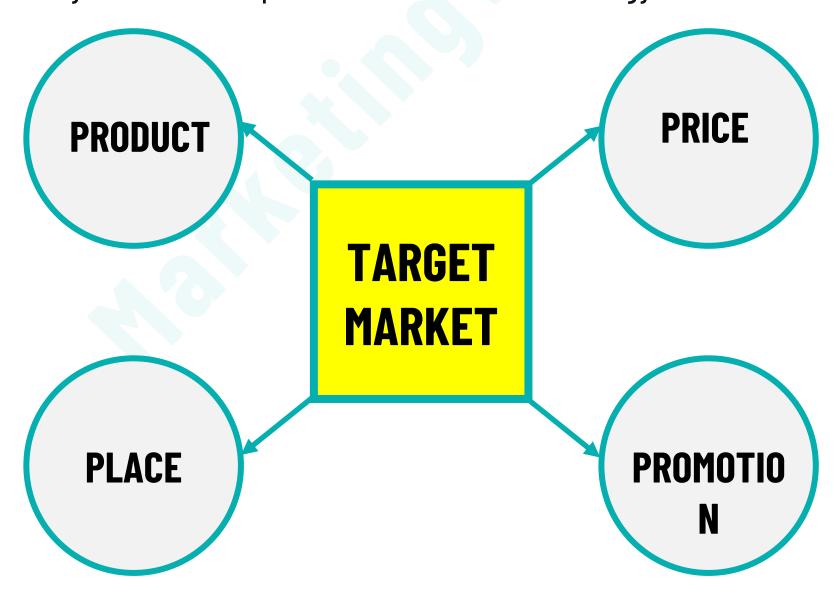
The first step is to get the Market Mix right!

The marketing mix is about putting the right product or a combination thereof in the right place, at the right time, and the right price.

There are broadly 2 concepts in the marketing Mix: 4PS & 7PS

#### 4Ps

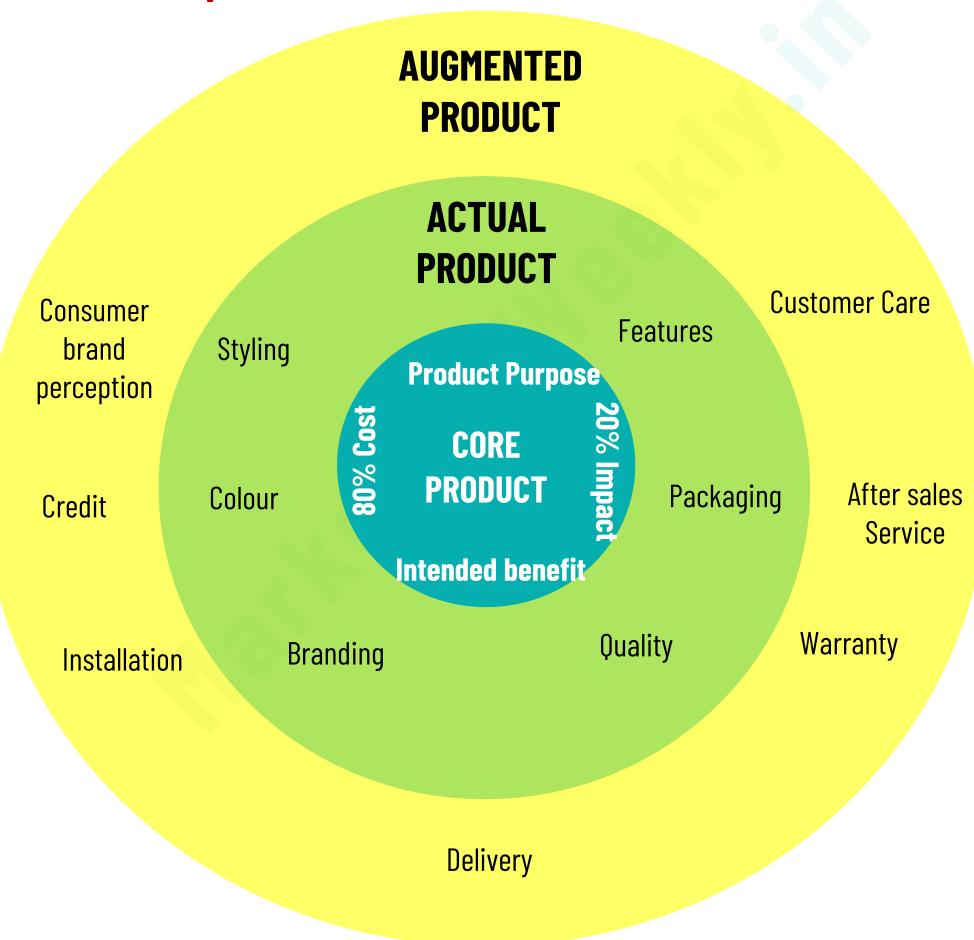
E. Jerome McCarthy created the Marketing 4Ps in the 1960s. It stands relevant even today and is used by various companies for their GTM strategy.



#### **Product:**

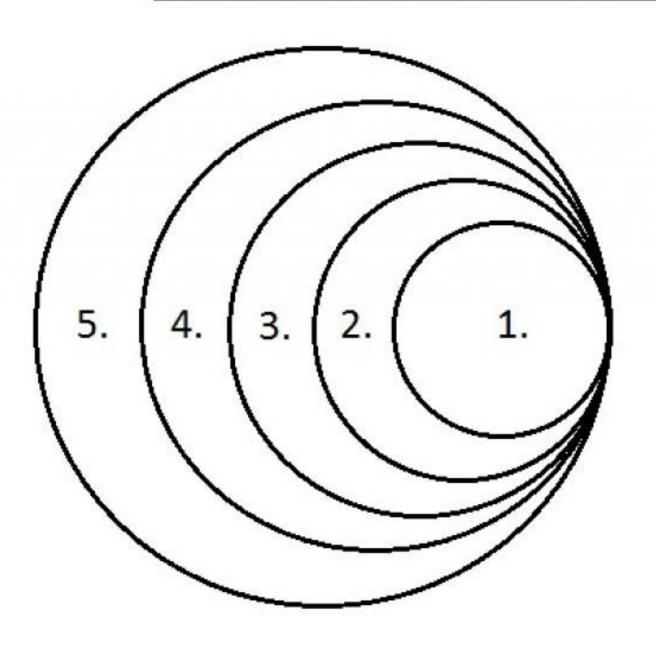
A product is anything tangible and intangible which fulfill our customers' needs wants. A product must be relevant & adaptable to the changing needs of the user.

#### Three levels of a product Model:





# The 5 levels of the product



- 1. Core benefit
- 2. Basic product
- 3. Expected product
- 4. Augmented product
- 5. Potential product

#### Price:

To Buy or Not to Buy? Probably the main question that comes to our mind after seeing the Price tag.

A great product at the wrong price can fail terribly.

The Primary determinants of Pricing of a product are the perceived value, the utility of the product and the price which target segment is willing to pay.

**Dynamic Pricing Penetration Pricing Promotional Pricing** Price keeps on changing as Here discount is offered on certain per time & demand. Low price to attract the buyers. products. E.g. EORS E.g.: Airline Ticket Pricing E.g.-Jio Infocomm. **Psychological Pricing Economy Pricing** Here the emotions of customers **PRICING** Here the production cost is targeted rather than the minimized. E.g.-Walmart **TECHNIQUES** logic. E.g.- 499 instead of 500 Freemium Pricing **Premium Pricing** Here basic service is offered for **Bundle Pricing** Product is priced high to create a free but advance options are perception of premium-ness Bundle of products or services is chargeable. E.g. Canvas, Grammarly E.g.-Rolex offered at lesser price then if you buy each product separately. E.g Dish TV Family Pack

#### Place:

So how does a product move from production to consumption? Place is basically the channels of distribution a company chooses to increase the reach of its products.

Various distribution channels that can used:

- Direct Sales: Door to door, Selling at Manufacturer's Plant
- Indirect Marketing Channel: One-Level Channel, Hybrid Distribution Channel or Multi-Channel Distribution System.
- Ecommerce

#### **Promotions:**

How does a new product reach people? It begins with inception of the new product idea; price is fixed and then the product is distributed.....but how will people know about it? Promotions play a major role in increasing the awareness of the product. Promotion helps in increasing brand/product awareness and in lead generations. Marketing campaigns include promotional activities to engage and attract consumers.

#### There are two types of Promotions:

- Sales Promotion: Bundle offers, Discounts, BTL activities etc.
- Marketing Promotions: Digital Campaigns, Sponsorships, etc.

#### Marketing Mix (4P) for iPhone 11 Pro Max:



#### **PRODUCT**

- Smart Phone Built
- Features: Triple camera,
   A13 bionic chip,6.1 inches
   display, Longest battery
   life, Water resistant, XDR
   display



#### **PRICE**

Rs 117000-132000, depending on the configuration

#### **PLACE**

- Apple has partnered with Ingram Micro & Redington India Limited to distribute Apple Products nationwide
- E-commerce websites

#### **PROMOTION**

- Sales Promotion: Free access to Apple Tv to new customers
- Marketing Promotion: Campaign-Its tough out there

#### **7PS**



The 7Ps is generally used in the **service industries** 



Extending the marketing mix by adding Physical Evidence, Process and People to 4P, bring marketing function closer to human resource management and operations.

#### The Remaining 3 Ps of the 7Ps



#### People:

The people in the framework represent the employees, consultants, and freelancers who deliver the service to customers.

People are the most critical factor in providing knowledge-based services as they add value to the experience of the consumer.

Hence, training, personal selling, and customer service are key ways to ensure good service from the employees facing consumers.

E.g. Waiters of a restaurant, Hairstylists in a Salon, business analyst in IT companies, etc.

#### **Process:**

The processes are the steps that are required to deliver the service to a customer.

Aim of all service companies is to have a seamless process flow, making it easier for the consumer.

These companies share process maps for employees to make sure that work is repeatable and successful.

#### **Physical Evidence:**



The physical evidence is a combination of the environment and branding where the service is provided to a customer.

#### The physical evidence capital would be:

A service brochure
Franchise Layouts
Uniform & Mascots of brand
Social media accounts
A corporate website
Company Service center/Point of Sales







#### **Example of 7Ps:**



#### **PRODUCT:**

Veg & Non-Veg menu
Beverages
Frozen desserts

#### PRICE:

Very affordable-Starts @Rs 29
Range: Rs 29-Rs
Psychological pricing
Cost leader

#### **PROMOTION:**

Happy Meals with free toys
Billboard ads
Social media

#### **PLACE:**

Popular locations.

Across most cities like malls

Drive -In & drive through options

#### **PHYSICAL EVIDENCE:**

McDonalds-Mascot
Social media accounts
Franchise buildings
Employee uniform

#### Fast & Friendly

Fast & Friendly Service

**PEOPLE:** 

#### **PROCESS:**

**McDonald's** 

Transparent to consumers Uniform process worldwide

**Interesting Read:** Dynamic Pricing: The art of the deal

# SEGMENTATION, TARGETING AND POSITIONING (STR

#### Segmentation

- Segmentation is a practice that seeks out pieces of the total market that contain customers with identifiable characteristics, as defined by income, age, personal interests, ethnic background, special needs, and so forth.
- The point of segmentation is to break a mass market into submarkets of customers who have common needs.

#### Why do we need segmentation?

- Not all individuals have similar needs. Individuals have different needs based on various factors which define them or their lifestyle like needs of men, women and kids differ from each other completely, or the needs of married individuals would differ from bachelors or needs of people from different countries will be different, when they are to be satisfied using various products and services. Identifying these segments makes it possible to do two things:
- (1) create goods and services that are better tailored to the needs of specific customers and
- (2) focus marketing resources more efficiently

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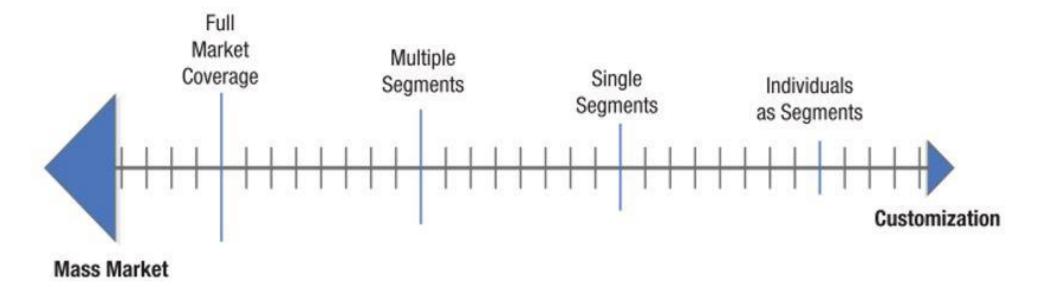
Market segments must rate favorably on five key criteria (MSADA) for them to be useful:

- **Measurable:** The size, characteristics & purchasing power of the segments can be measured.
- Substantial: The segments are large and profitable enough to serve. A segment should be the largest possible homogeneous group worth going after with a tailored marketing program.
- Accessible: The segments can be effectively reached and served.
- **Differentiable**: The segments are conceptually distinguishable and respond differently to different marketing-mix elements and program.
- **Actionable:** Effective programs can be formulated to attract and serve segments.

Segmentation variable	Sr.	Basis of Segmentation	Example
Geographic	1	Geographic segmentation	Regions - North, South, East, West
	2	City or metro size	Urban, Suburban, Rural
	3	Density	Urban, Suburban, Rural
	4	Climate	Hot, Cold, Tropical
Demographic	5	Age	Under 5, 5-11,12-17,18-34,35-49,50-64,64+
	6	Family size	1-2,3-4,5+
	7	Family life cycle	Young, Single, Young married, No children married, youngest child below 6
	8	Gender	Female, Male, Transgender
	9	Income	Under \$10,000, \$10,000-15,000 and so on
	10	Occupation	Profession, technical, Managers etc.
	11	Education	Grade school or less, graduate, post graduate
	12	Religion	Hindu, Muslim, Christian, Sikh, Jain, Atheist.
	13	Race	White, Brown, Tribals
	14	Generation	Gen X, Millennials (Gen Y)
	15	Nationality	Indian, South African, American
	16	Social class	Lower, Middle, Upper
Psychographic	17	Psychographic lifestyle	Culture-oriented, sports-oriented, outdoor-oriented
	18	Personality	Compulsive, gregarious, authoritarian, ambitious
Behavioural	19	Behavioural occasions	Regular occasion, Special occasion
	20	Benefits	Quality, service, economy, speed
	21	User status	Nonuser, ex-user, potential user, first time user
	22	Usage rate	Light user, medium user, heavy user
	23	Loyalty status	None, medium, strong, absolute
	24	Readiness stage	Unaware, informed, interested, desirous, intended to buy
	25	Attitude toward product	Enthusiastic, positive, indifferent, negative, hostile

#### Possible Levels of Segmentation





#### Example

Marriott International® owns a number of different hotel chains that target specific consumer groups.

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#### ITC Hotels has four distinct brands each catering to a different segment.

- 1) ITC Hotels (Exclusive Tie up with Marriott's 'The Luxury collection'. These are luxury hotels located at strategic locations. They cater to business and leisure customers looking for a luxurious stay.
- 2) Welcom Hotels: Welcom Hotels offer 5 star experience.
- 3) Fortune Hotels: Under the fortune hotels brand, ITC operates mid market to upscale hotel chain infull service first class business hotel segment
- 4) WelcomHeritage: Under the WelcomHeritage brand, a chain of resorts, forts, havelis and palace are operational to provide a different hospitality experience. Ancient royal homes and their grandeur is preserved and a fine range of services provided for cutomers looking for such an experience.



For example, Courtyard by Marriott® hotels focus on travellers on the road, who want a nice, clean place to stay during their trip; Ritz-Carlton® hotels target those who don't mind paying a premium for luxury; and Marriott ExecuStay® hotels are aimed at professionals who need a long-term & comfortable place to stay.

Marriott International doesn't communicate the same marketing message to all its customers.

Each hotel is designed and positioned to appeal to the unique wants and needs of a specific group.

#### **Targeting**

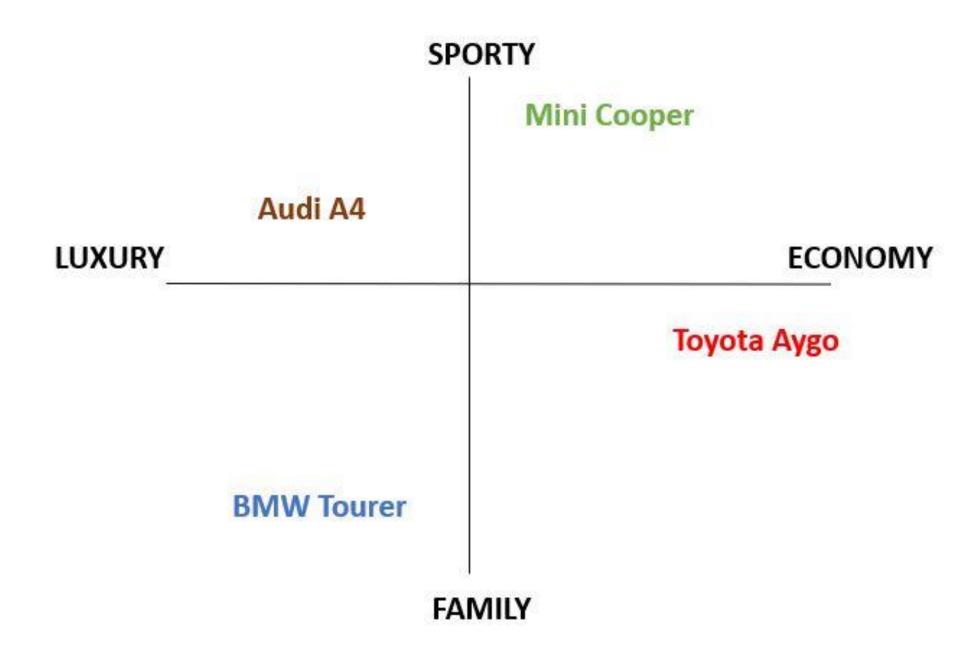
The segments that fit into the company objective that can be serviced are identified & targeted.

Firm can sell one product to several segments with product specialization.

Firm focus on serving many needs of a specific customer segment with market specialization.

#### **Example: Positioning map of cars**





#### **Positioning**

- Creating a favorable & distinctive image (or position) for the product in the mind of the consumer.
- To Develop a conducive position, brand requires optimal Points-of-parity (POPs) and Points-of-difference (PODs)
   (Read more about it on next page)

**GSK's** ENO, an antacid, has always positioned itself as an instant reliever from acidity. Positioning statement: Take ENO for fast relief from acidity. It gets to work in 6 seconds.

"To acidity-stricken people, ENO is a powdered antacid that gives instant relief in 6 seconds"

Additional examples of positioning:

Volvo: Safety, Nike: Sporty, Johnson & Johnson: Mother's Choice

**Points-of-difference** are attributes unique to the brand that are strongly held & favorably evaluated by consumers.

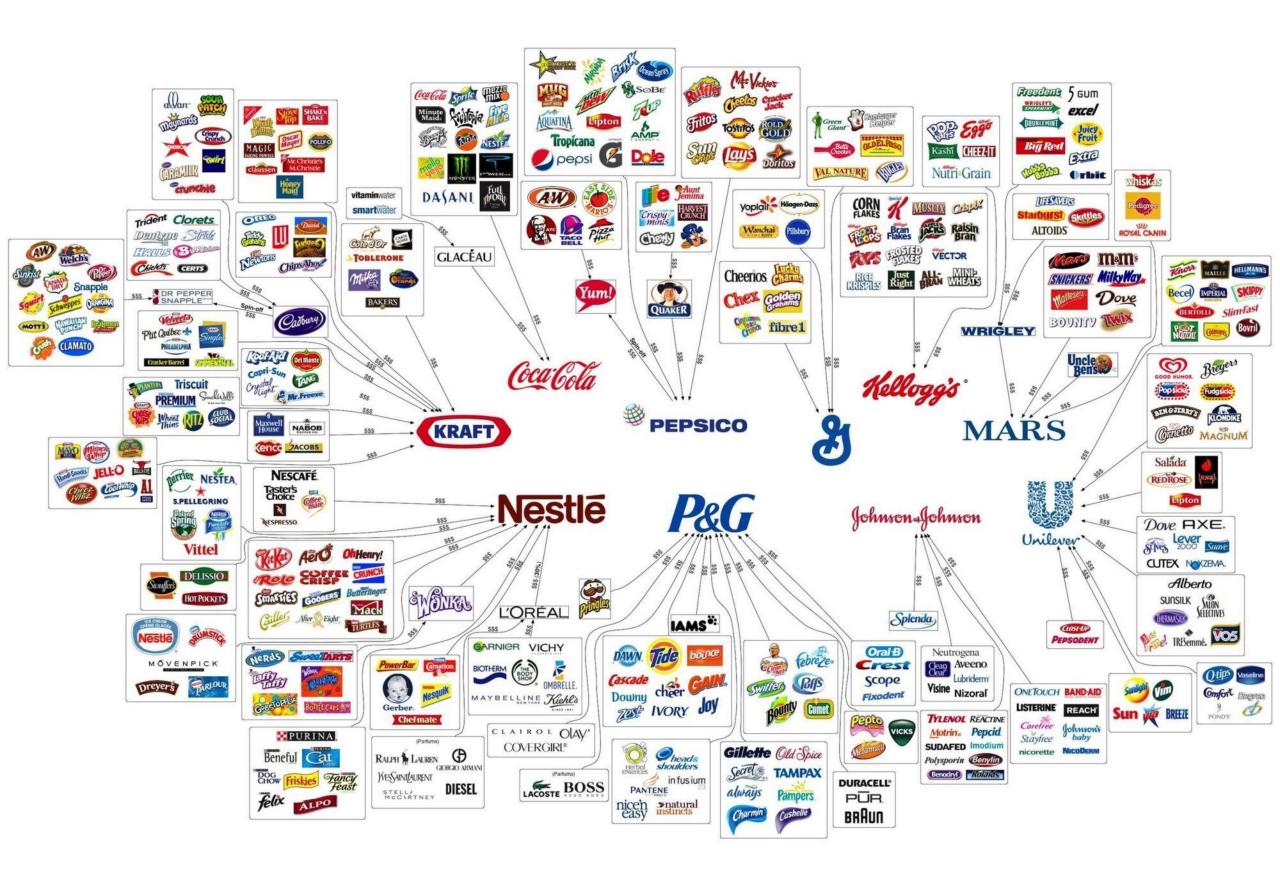
**Points-of-parity** are those attributes which are not unique to the brand but shared with other brands. POPs are in three basic forms:

- Category: Attributes or benefits that consumers view as essential to a credible offering within a product/service category. (Necessary but not sufficient conditions for brand choice)
- Correlational: Potentially negative Attributes that arise from the existence of positive associations for the brand. Ex: If it's inexpensive, it may not be of good quality.
- Competitive: Attributes designed to overcome the weakness of the brand in the light of competitors (Competitors PODs suggest the brand's POPs)

Interesting Read: How did ITC Classmate achieve 25% Market Share

# **Product Mix**





Source: Pinterest



#### **Few Definitions**



**Product Line:** Similar kind of products having different color, size, taste, etc. sold under one brand name.

E.g. Oreo's Chocolate, Normal, Orange, etc. flavors & its different weights.

**Product Line Length:** It is defined as the number of products in a single product line. If we see previous example, Oreo has product line length of 3

**Product Line Width:** It is defined as the number of similar product lines parallel to each other. You may have two or more brands under biscuits or beverage category.

E.g. Coca-Cola has Minute maid line, Coke line, Sprite, Powerade. Each of this line has different variants & SKUs which makes product length.

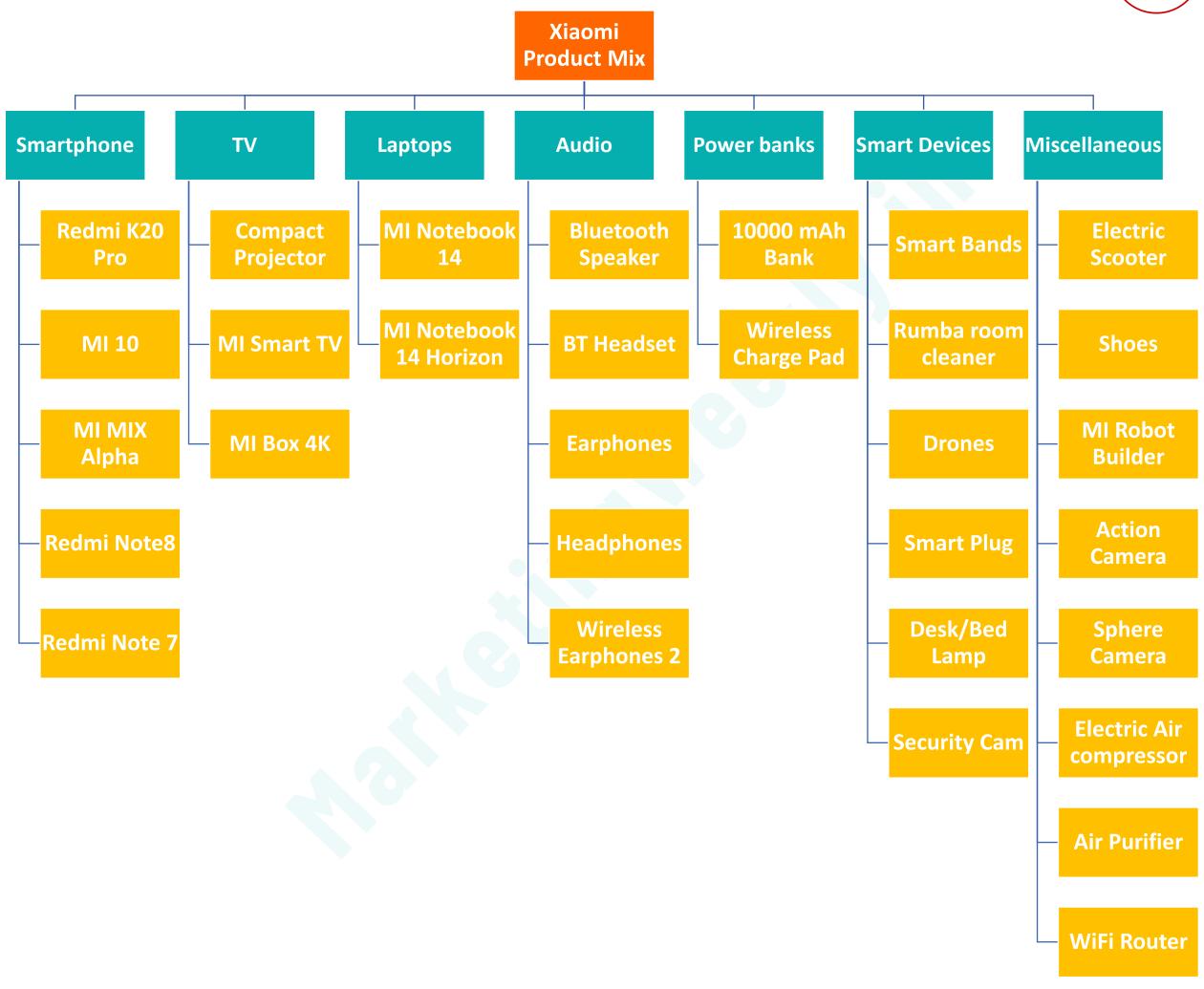
**Product Mix Width:** It is a sum total of all different kind of product lines under all the categories.

If we see Unilever's product mix, we will find various categories such as skin soap, detergent, deodorant, ice-cream, shampoo, etc.

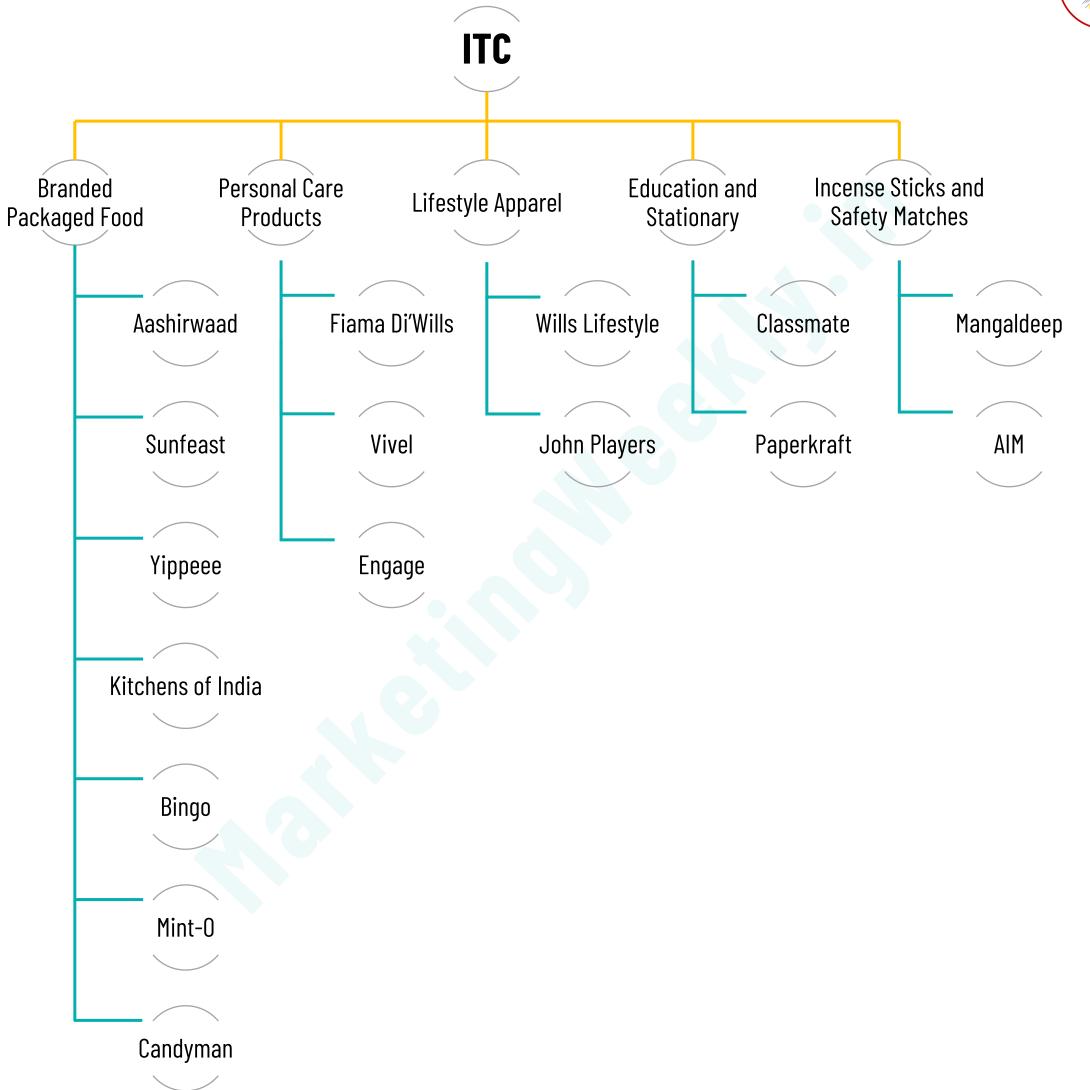
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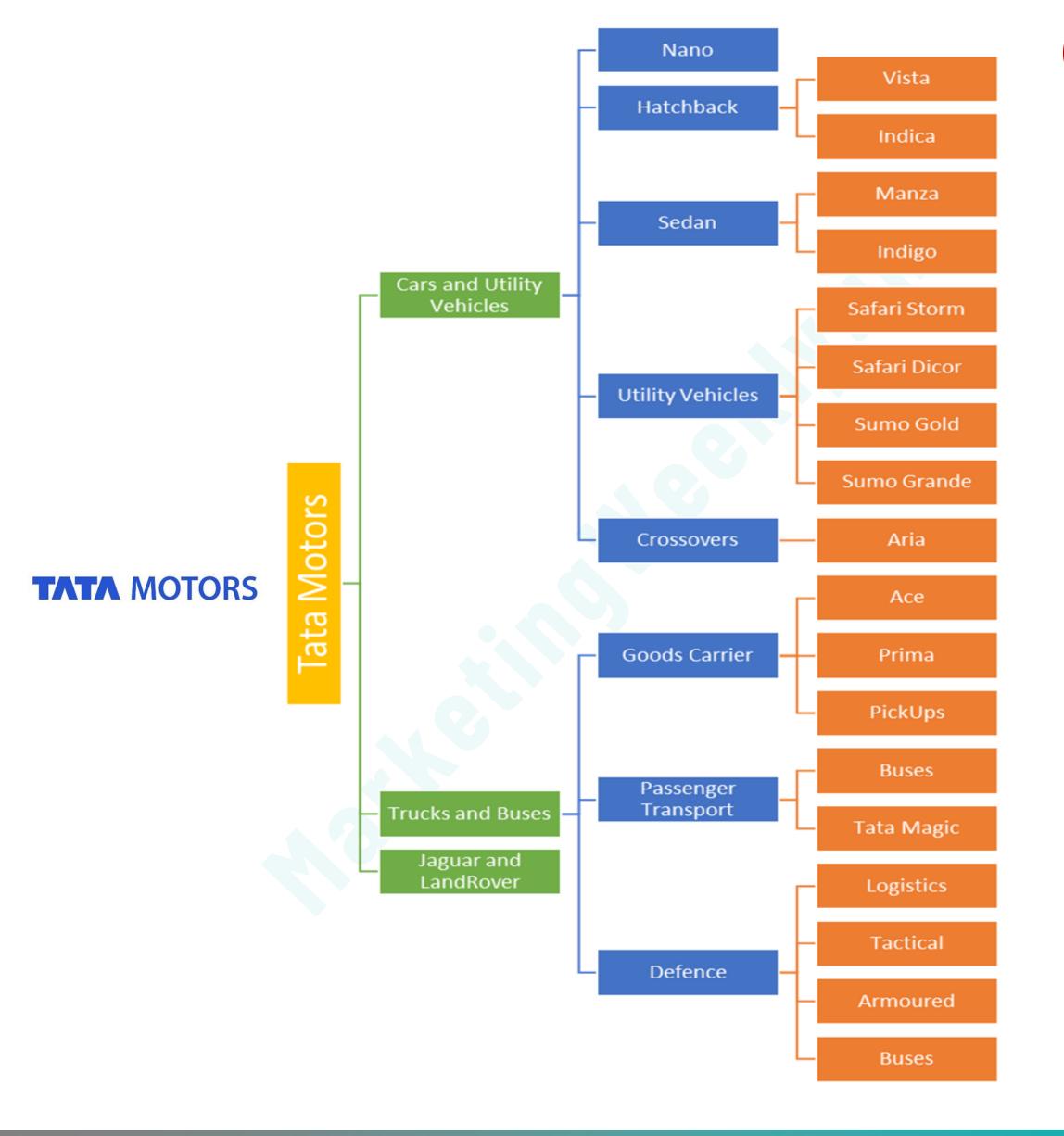
Interesting Read: How Brands choose their product mix name?





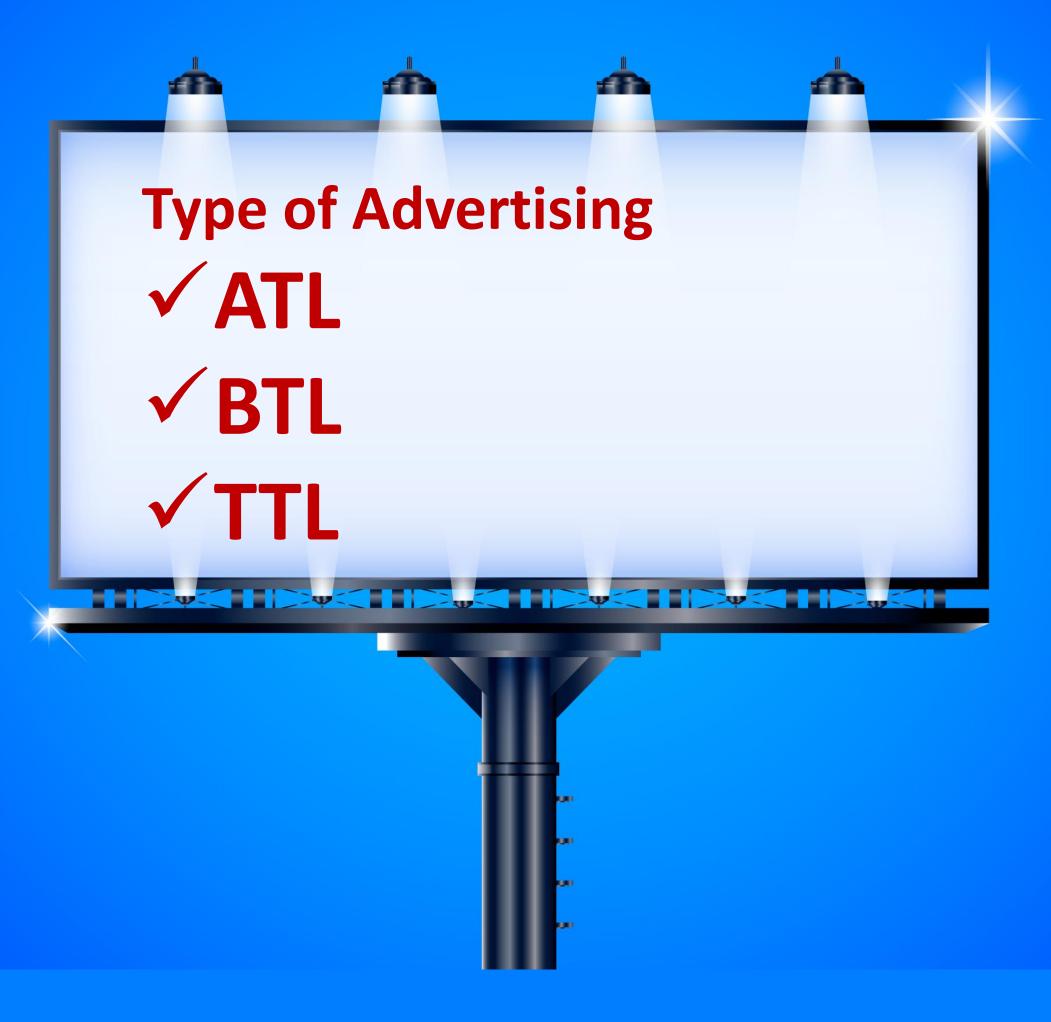








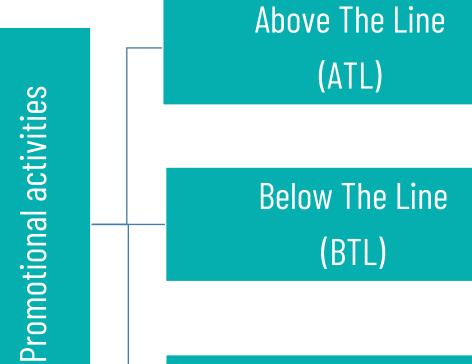




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# Companies can choose to conduct promotional activities in three ways





Reach entire market as a whole to build brand awareness and inform masses about product

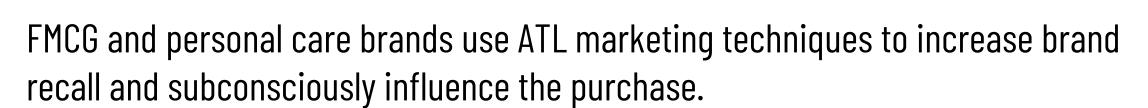
**Below The Line** (BTL)

Focused communication for specific target group through individual level interaction

Through The Line (TTL)

Combination of ATL and BTL, using mass advertising forming a customer database to focus on conversion.

Category	Above The Line	Below The Line	Through The Line
Target	Undifferentiated Segment	Specific target segment	Mass market with focused conversion
Known as	Mass marketing	One to One marketing	Combination of ATL & BTL
Media used	TV, Radio, Print, Billboards, Cinema Adverts	Flyers, Door to Door, PR events, SMS, Emails, College/institute events	Digital marketing, 360 degree marketing with both ATL & BTL
Response	May or may not drive customer response	One to One response	Customer response can be gauged indirectly
ROI	Difficult to measure	Easier to measure due to direct response	Easier to measure than ATL





### How do we measure an ATL campaign?

- The reach of members watching the ad
- The frequency of views
- The number of impressions across various platforms

Companies use BTL activities in places such a College, university, societies. high foot-fall areas to target its prospects.

### How do we measure a BTL campaign?

- Sales achieved at place of activity.
- New customer acquired at the site.
- Conversion rates on site (at place of activity).
- Impression estimates via foot-falls.
- Open rate of email campaigns.

TTL can help brands use an integrated approach to advertise products to both mass & focused markets together.

### **Example of Vodafone**



As part of ATL advertising, Vodafone books key places for hoardings of its upcoming initiatives.

For example: hoardings at airports, High streets, City Road, etc.



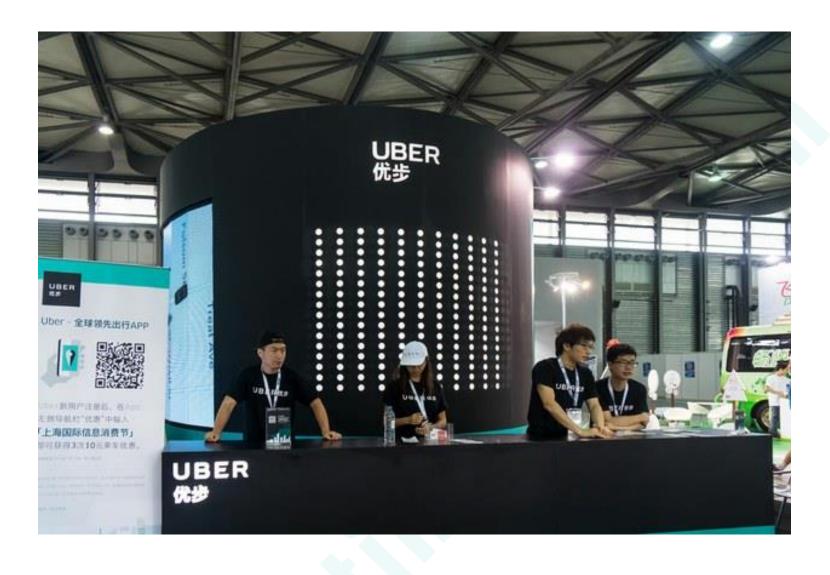
For BTL advertising, you will often see a booth of Vodafone inside the malls.



**Interesting Read:** Concept of Future DOOH!

# **Example for TTL** - Uber Booths outside airports/Ads







# Sales & Distribution Management



Sales & Distribution (S&D) is simply a process involving all the things from taking a **finished good from a factory to the customer**.

Sales & Distribution (S&D) involves various departments such as **Warehouse**, **Logistics**, **CRM**, **Sales force**, **Business** 

development team, Product training team,

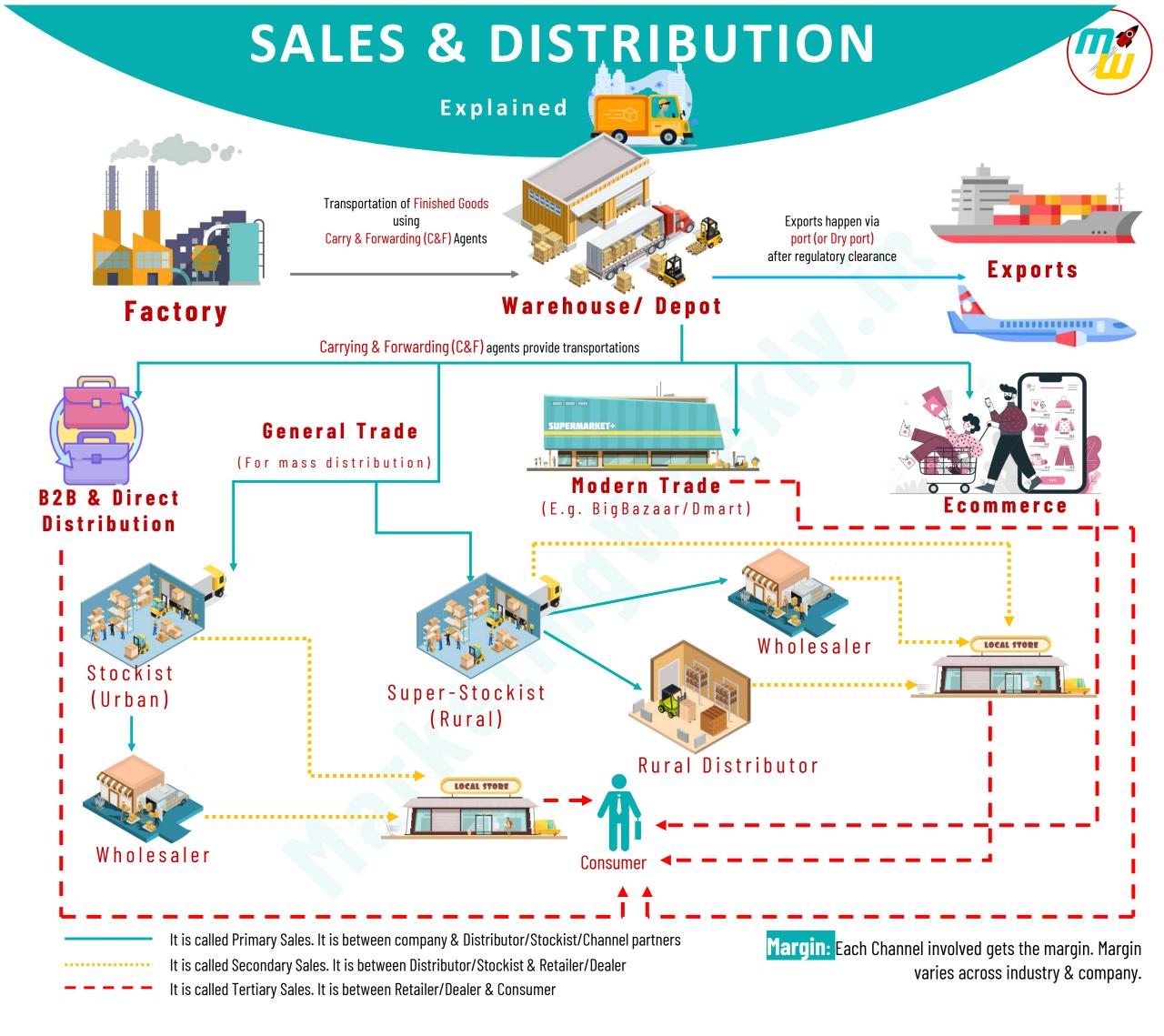
**Trade marketing team,** Etc.

Let us understand S&D with this simple flow-chart. More about it on next Page.



Sales & Distribution





### **Download HD PDF of the infograph here:**

# Terminology Of Sales & Distribution



#### Warehouse/Dep



It is a place where company stores their finished goods. Goods are then dispatched from such depots to various places. Ideally a company should keep multiple warehouses to improve wait-time for order delivery.

# Carrying & forwarding



Party that provides logistics solution to companies in dispatching their goods to various locations are C&F agents. They charge on basis of distance as well as delivery speed. Also charge may increase if your product needs specific temperature condition.

#### **Modern Trade:**



Organized trade stores such as Bigbazaar, Dmart, More, etc. are called modern trade. Companies directly provide them goods, thereby eliminating distribution margin charges
This allows them to pass on distributor margin to customers by means of discounts & schemes. Disadvantage of MT is that it lacks the convenience of neighborhood stores.

#### **Stockist:**



Stockist or Distributor operates in Urban geographies. They provide goods received from company warehouse to various retailers.

They also sell bulk quantity to wholesaler to increase its distribution reach & save logistics cost for serving low value outlets.

### **Super Stockist:**



Usually such distribution works in rural geographies where 1 big super-stockist provide bulk quantities to various rural distributors/Wholesalers.

Super stockist helps company reach deep rural areas. Various incentives such as freight charges are paid extra for extended geographies.

#### **Wholesaler:**



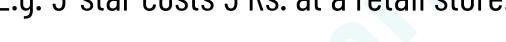
They usually operate with multiple brands & hence they can afford to provide service to smaller outlets & remote markets.

Companies discourage wholesaler concept as it reduces Market Operating Price (MOP). MOP is what retailer pays to distributor.

### **Concept of Margin:**

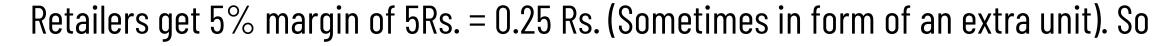
Every channel involved retains a specific margin so, each stakeholder earns a profit out of it.









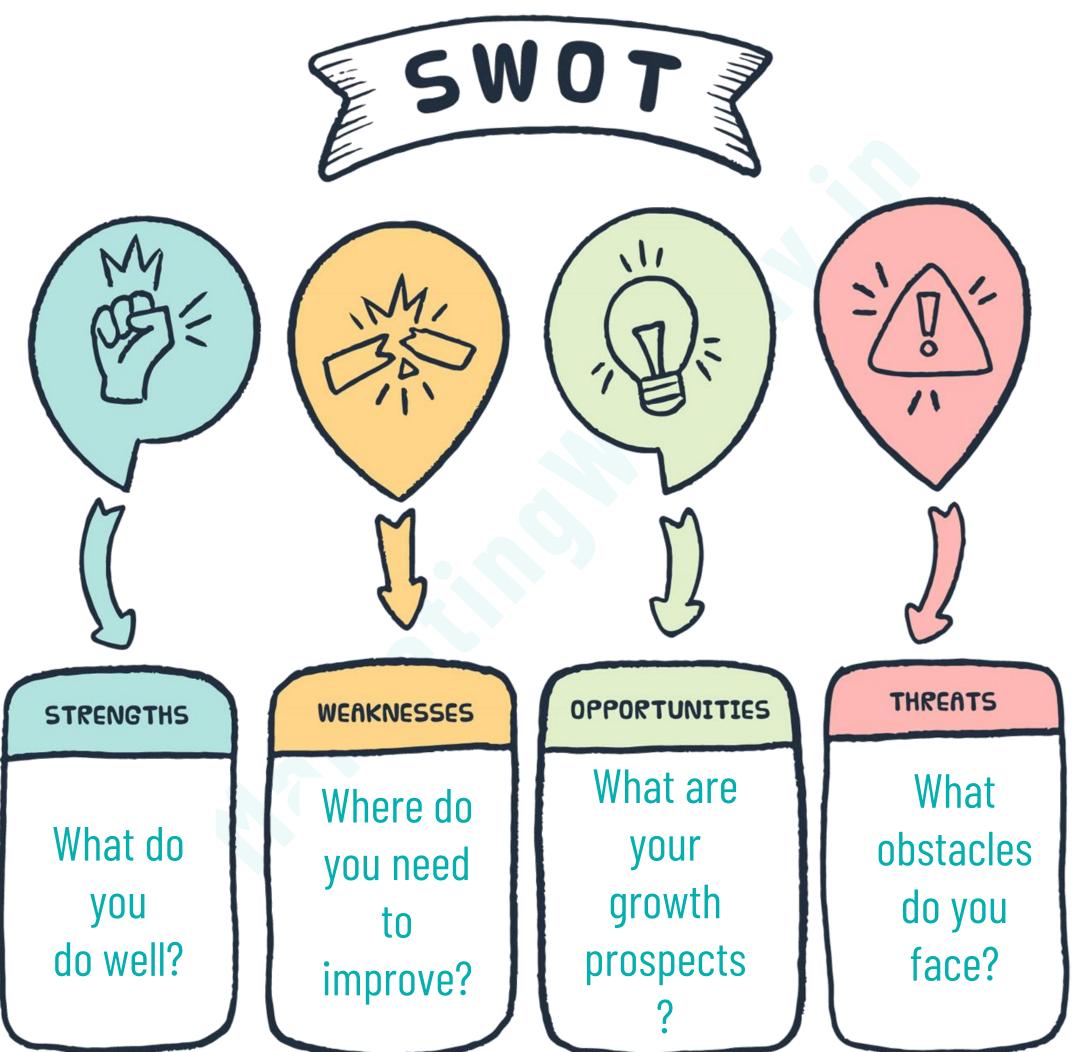


total money earned by them = 0.05 + 0.10 + 0.25 = 0.40 Rs. earned by all collectively **Interesting Read:** Why Colgate is a Market Leader in Oral Care?



# SWOT ANALYSIS, helps you develop business strategy





### STRENGTHS

Include things that your company or project does **extremely** well.

E.g. **Brand** attributes, **people**, strong **leadership** etc.

#### OPPORTUNITIES

include everything you could do to **grow** as a company. All **possibilities** 

E.g. Tapping other markets to improve the sales, using advanced technology for better results.

### WEAKNESSES

Include things that your company is not doing well or **needs improvements** 

E.g. Shortage of **skilled** people, **financial** limitations or lack of clearly defined **USP**.

#### THREATS

include things that pose a **risk** to the company.

E.g. Emerging
competitors,
financial
risks, changes in
regulatory law etc.

**Interesting Read:** : A different approach to SWOT









#### **STRENGTH**

- Extensive distribution network
- Innovative FMCG company
- Brand visibility
- Products with presence in over 20 consumer categories

#### **OPPORTUNITIES**

- Improve penetration in low performing portfolio such as Oral Care & Deodorants
- M&A to strengthen the brand
- Increasing purchasing power of people thereby increasing demand

### **WEAKNESSES**

- Limited market share due to presence of strong FMCG brands
- Faced controversies like skin lightening cream
- Market Saturation

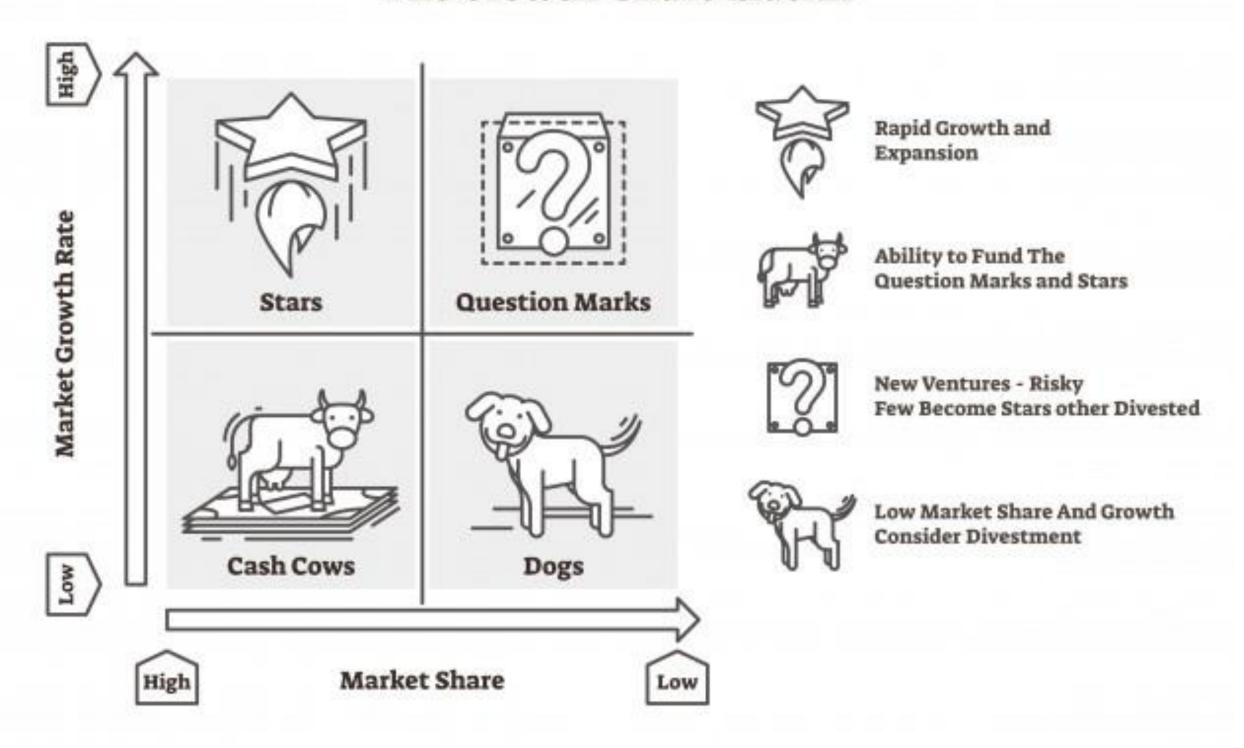
#### **THREATS**

- Competition from local products like
   Patanjali
- Increasing competition amongst other FMCG companies
- Portfolio such as Oral care & deodorant segment losing market share



# **BCG MATRIX**

### The Growth-Share Matrix



### **BCG MATRIX**



#### The BCG matrix (or Growth-Share Matrix),

is a planning tool used to evaluate the Strategic position of a business brand portfolio and its potential. It classifies business brand portfolio into four categories on the basis of industry attractiveness (growth rate of that industry) and competitive position (relative market share).

The BCG analysis helps the company in deciding which entities in the business portfolio are actually profitable and which are not. This helps businesses identify what it should concentrate on and what gives it a competitive advantage over others.

Star
Expand

Question Mark
Improve or Divest

Cash Cow
Harvest

Dog
Divest

Increasing Relative Market Share

**Relative market share:** Represented by the horizontal axis. Higher market share results in higher cash returns. The mid-point is generally set at 1.0.

Increasing Business Growth Rate

**Market growth rate:** Represented by the vertical axis. Higher market growth rate might lead to higher returns in future, but this requires investment to stimulate further growth. So, this would lead to higher cash usage.

# 4 Categories of the BCG Matrix



# Stars: High Market share High Growth

- •.The business units or products that have the best market share and generate the most cash are considered stars.
- Monopolies and first-to-market products are frequently termed stars.
- However, because of their high growth rate, stars also consume large amounts of cash.

This generally results in the same amount of money coming in that is going out.

- Stars can eventually become cash cows if they sustain their success until a time when the market growth rate declines.
- Companies are advised to invest in stars.

# **Question Marks:** Low Market Share High Growth

- Question marks are growing rapidly and thus consume large amounts of cash, but because they have low market shares they do not generate much cash. The result is a large net cash consumption.
- They have the potential to gain market share and become a star, and eventually a cash cow when the market growth slows.
- If the question mark does not succeed in becoming the market leader, then after perhaps years of cash consumption it will degenerate into a dog when the market growth declines

# **Cash Cows:** High Market share Low Growth

- Cash cows are the leaders in the marketplace and generate more cash than they consume.
- They provide the cash required to turn question marks into market leaders, to cover the administrative costs of the company, to fund research and development, to service the corporate debt, and to pay dividends to shareholders.
- Companies are advised to invest in cash cows to maintain the current level of productivity, or to "milk" the gains passively.

# Dogs: Low Market Share Low Growth

Dogs have low market share and a low growth rate and thus neither generate nor consume a large amount of cash.

- They are cash traps because of the money tied up in a business that has little potential.
- Such businesses are candidates for divestiture. Strategies for Dogs:
- The company can either divest the product altogether.
- Product can be revamped through rebranding / innovation / adding features etc.

### **Few Strategies for BCG Products:**



#### **Question marks (Low market share, High growth prospects)**

- Question marks must be analyzed carefully in order to determine whether they are worth the investment required to grow market share.
- Companies are advised to invest in question marks if the product has potential for growth, or to sell if it does not.

### Stars (High market share, High growth prospects)

All types of marketing, sales promotion and advertising strategies are used for Stars because of the high competition and rising market share to increase and retain market share.

### Cash Cows (High market share, Low growth prospects)

- Strategy generally includes retention of the market share.
- Thus customer satisfaction programs, loyalty programs and other such promotional methods form the core of the marketing plan for a cash cow product.

### Disadvantages of BCG Matrix:

- The model uses only two dimensions (i.e. growth and share) to assess competitive position, others are ignored.
- More emphasis on cost leadership rather than differentiation as a source of competitive advantage.
- A high market share does not necessarily lead to profitability at all times.
- Assumes that each business unit is independent of the others. In some cases, a business unit that is a "dog" may be helping other business units gain a competitive advantage.

### **BCG Matrix of Amul**



Increasing Business Growth Rate



Amul has diversified their offerings, entering into different milk and milk product markets, let us understand BCG Matrix of Amul.

#### **Cash Cows:**

The 3 products mentioned in the figure (milk, butter, cheese) generate steady, high revenue. They are the "flagship" products of the brand.

Increasing Relative Market Share

#### **Stars:**

Amul invests a lot of cash coming from cash cow into star-product promotions.

Amul Ice Creams have targeted & appealing ads in order to improve awareness

### **Question Marks:**

Amul Lassi falls under this category.

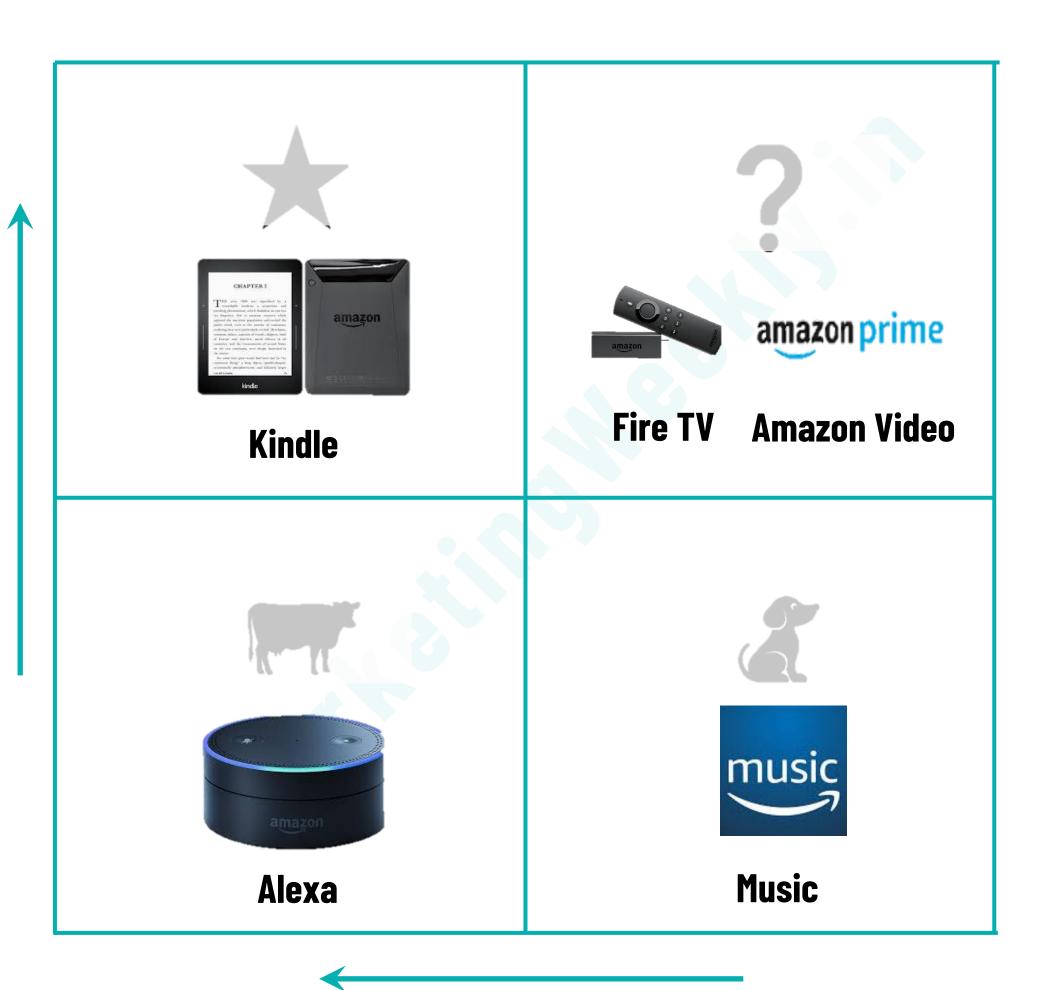
Considering the increasing demand for healthy products, this category shows a huge potential to grow.

### Dogs:

Due to the heavy competition & limited innovation in these products, it's difficult for Amul to gain market share & generate huge revenue.

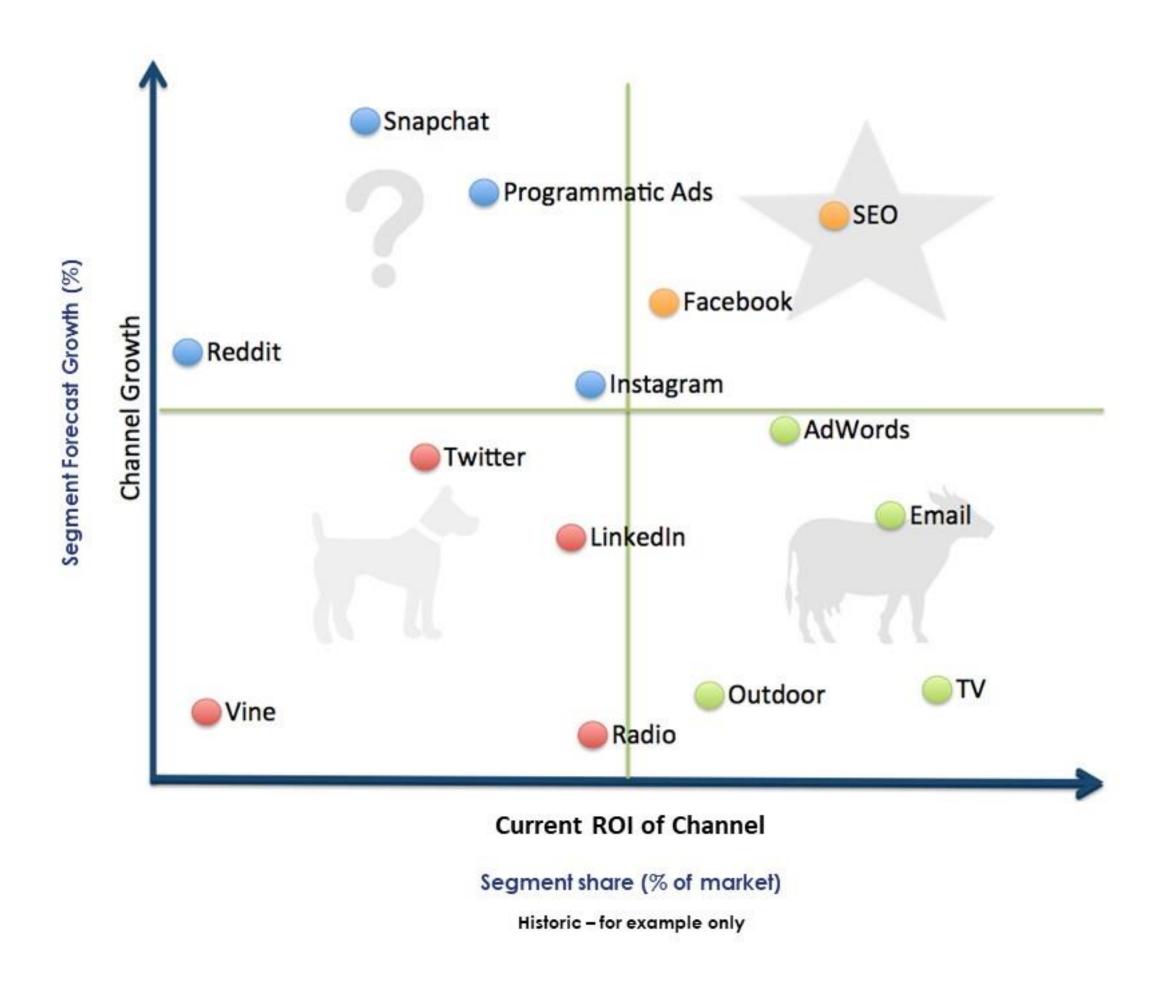
# **BCG Matrix of Amazon**





**Increasing Relative Market Share** 





**Interesting Read:** BCG Matrix on the World of Ice Cream

### **ANSOFF MATRIX**



Ansoff Matrix is vital for strategic planning to find out opportunities that can help grow business by developing new products & services or tapping into new markets. Also known as **Product-Market Matrix**.

It is a tool used by the brands to plan and analyse their growth by putting their product portfolio (existing or new) in different categories.

The Entire product portfolio of a brand can be divided into one of the 4 categories mentioned below:

**Market Penetration**: Increasing sales of existing products to an existing market.

Market Development: Entering a new market using existing products.

**Product Development**: Introducing new products to an existing market.

**Diversification**: Entering a new market with the introduction of new products.

### **ANSOFF MATRIX**



The Ansoff matrix provides four different growth strategies:

#### **Market Penetration**

- This involves increasing market share within existing market segments. This can be achieved by selling more products/services to established customers or by finding new customers within existing markets.
- The risk involved in its marketing strategies is usually the least since the products are already familiar to the consumers and so is the established market.

The Entire product portfolio of a brand can be divided into one of the 4 categories mentioned below:

### **Product Development:**

- Product Development involves developing new products for existing markets. It involves thinking about how new products can meet customer needs more closely and outperform the products of competitors.
- It can also involve the modification of an existing product so that it can appeal more to the already existing market.
- It is slightly riskier, because you're introducing a new product into your existing market.

Example: ITC introduced ready-to-eat gourmet cuisine 'Kitchens of India' which specialises in bringing to life age-old Indian dishes from across the country, especially from the gourmet cuisines of Dum Pukht, Bukhara and Dakshin. ITC developed this new product for an existing RTE market.

### **Market Development**



- This strategy entails finding new markets for existing products. Market research and further segmentation of markets helps to identify new groups of customers.
- This strategy assumes that the existing markets have been fully exploited thus the need to venture into new markets.
- There are various approaches to this strategy, which include: New geographical markets, new distribution channels, new product packaging, and different pricing policies. Example: ITC's Agri Business Division, has conceived e-Choupal, an initiative by ITC to link directly with rural farmers via the Internet for procurement of agricultural and aquaculture products. This will help develop the market in the rural sector

#### **Diversification**

- This involves moving new products into new markets at the same time.
- It is the riskiest strategy among the others as it involves two unknowns, new products being created and the business does not know the development problems that may occur in the process. Additionally, you're introducing a new, unproven product into an entirely new market that you may not fully understand.
- There are two types of diversification
- Related diversification: This means that the business remains in the same industry in which it is familiar with.
- Unrelated diversification: In this, there are usually no previous industry relations or market experiences. One can diversify from a food industry to a mechanical industry for instance.

Example: Coca Cola is using a number of strategies including introduction of new products in existing markets and introducing products in new segments to increase its market share.

### **ANSOFF matrix of XIAOMI**



# EXISTING

# NEW

# Product

EXISTING

Market

NEW N



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# **Pricing Strategies**

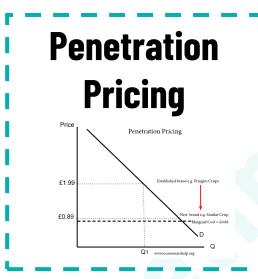


Price is the total amount that a consumer pays for a product/service.

Companies tend to determine the optimum price for their product/service based on the market share, positioning, competition and the perceived value of the product.

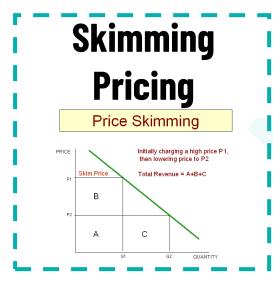
The Same products can employee different pricing strategies over a period of time.



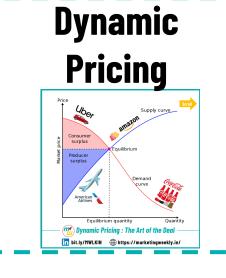














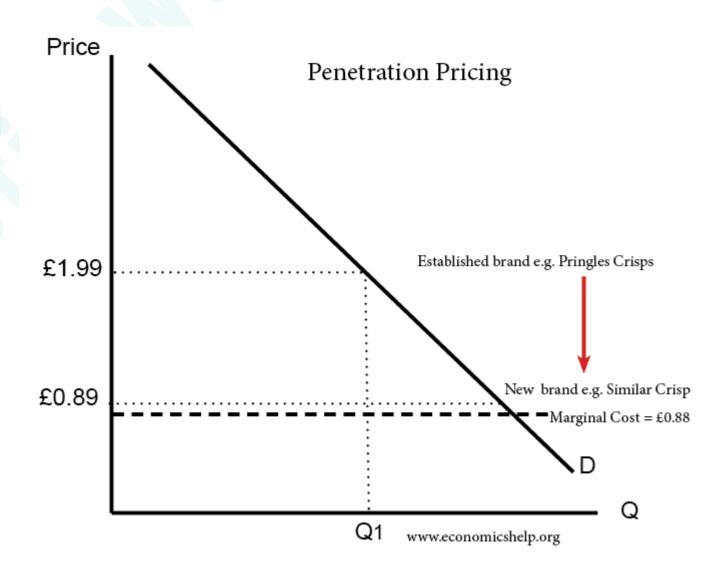
### **Premium Pricing**

- Product/Service is unique
- Perceived Benefit of the product is high
- High competitive advantage must exist with the marketer
- E.g. Ferrari, iPhone, Gucci



### **Penetration Pricing**

- Setting the price low with the goal of attracting customers and gaining market share
- Price is raised once market share is gained
- Typical in Indian Aviation Industry



### **Predatory Pricing**

- Selling at extremely cheap rate to quickly increase the market share
- Works for service based industries like Telecom, Insurance, Banking, IT etc.
- Law may curtail & punish if found it anti-competitive



### **Geographical Pricing**

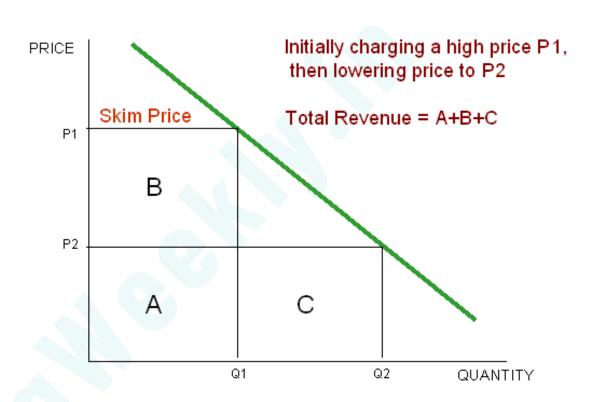
- The price variation in different parts of the world can be a business strategy or forced upon by the local market
- It usually occurs due to difference in PPP, taxes, duties etc
- Example is Gasoline & Alcohol



### **Price Skimming**

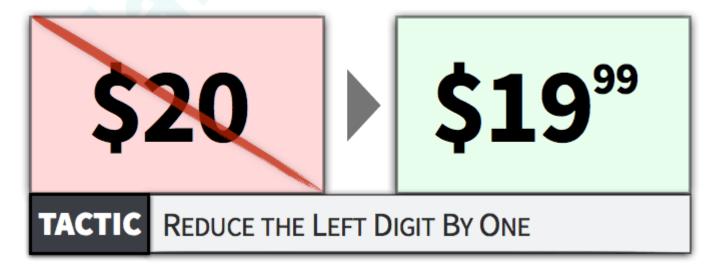
- Charge a high price initially because product is unique and you have a competitive advantage
- Advantage is not sustainable and eventually price is reduced due to enhanced competition
- Flagship Smartphones & other electronics

### Price Skimming



### **Psychological Pricing**

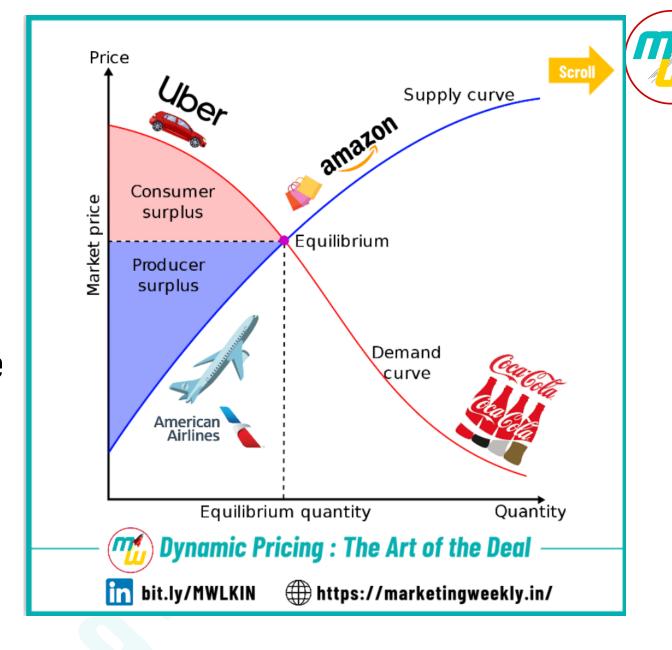
- Marketer wants to entice customer into thinking that product is cheaper
- Product is available at Rs 199/- instead of Rs 200



Interesting Read: Psychological Pricing

### **Dynamic Pricing**

- Pricing of Airlines & Hotel keeps on changing based on current availability
- It helps them to optimize revenue at the same time keep demand intact because of low pricing during low days.



### **Captive Product Pricing**

- •If products have complements, the core products are generally offered at a lower price while the captive products which are necessary to use the core product are priced highly
- •E.g. Razors and Blades, Printers and Cartridges



### **Bundle Pricing**



- Sellers combine several products in the same package
- Can be a part of sales promotion
- Can be used to dispose off inventory





**B2C**(Business to Customer)



## **CATEGOR**



**B2B**(Business to Business)

Selling products to customers (Individuals)

Sale (Bill) amount are usually **small** 

Driven by **promotions** & panache

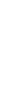
Customers want to be **entertained** (elated) about product

Relationships are **shorttermed** 

Decision making is simple

Centered on desires & gratifications















Selling products to companies or **firms** 

Sale (Bill) amount are usually **Large** 

Driven by **efficiency** & cost effectiveness

Firms want to be **educated** (Informed) about products

Long term **Relationships** are established between firms

Decision making involves **multi-level** meetings

Centered on **Logic** & rationale

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A type of business model that facilitates interaction between customers. Customer to customer businesses provides individuals with a place to converse, exchange and interact with other people. Many C2C businesses have online operations. Online auctions and classifieds such as Ebay and Craig's List are examples of very successful customer to customer business models. These sites don't look to directly sell goods to their members, instead the customers are exchanging with other customers.

### Difference between marketplace and inventory model

Marketplace Model: Marketplace model of e-commerce refers to providing an information technology platform by an e-commerce entity on a digital and electronic network to act as a facilitator between buyer and seller. The main feature of the market place model is that the e-commerce firm like Flipkart, Snapdeal, Amazon etc. will be providing a platform for customers to interact with a selected number of sellers. When an individual is purchasing a product from Flipkart, he will be actually buying it from a registered seller in Flipkart. The product is not directly sold by Flipkart. Here, Flipkart is just a website platform where a consumer meets a seller. Inventory, stock management, logistics etc. may or may not be actively done by the ecommerce firm.

Inventory Model Inventory model of ecommerce means an ecommerce activity where inventory of goods and services is owned by e-commerce entity and is sold to the consumers directly. The main feature of inventory model is that the customer buys the product from the ecommerce firm. He manages an inventory (stock of products), interfaces with customers, runs logistics and involves in every aspects of the business. Alibaba of China is following the inventory model.



# FLAT SALES FUNNEL INFOGRAPHIC



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**Purchase Funnel:** The purchase / purchasing funnel is a model which describes the theoretical customer journey from the moment of first contact with your brand to the ultimate goal of a purchase.



#### **Digital Marketing Funnel:**

- 1. Engagement: This stage of the digital marketing funnel is concerned with ensuring that customers' interactions with your brand are positive and that they're open to future interactions.
- 2. Education: It is specifically, helping potential customers realize that they have a problem that you can solve for them.
- 3. Research: At this point, marketing still isn't focused on selling a product, but rather on helping customers identify how they can benefit from solving the problem.
- 4. Evaluation: Customers may be looking at multiple competing solutions to their problem, so your focus should be on showing customers why your product is their best solution.
- 5. Justification: The justification stage is about finding ways to overcome objections, obstacles, or inertia. Perhaps the customer isn't the one with the ability to make buying decisions.
- 6. Purchase: The purchase stage is all about the sale.
- 7. Adoption : Adoption, the first post-purchase stage of the digital marketing funnel, necessitates making good on your promises, so that the customer has a good experience with your product.
- 8. Retention: Satisfied customers become repeat customers. To retain customers, give them help when they need it and provide them with educational materials on how to get the most out of your product.
- 9. Expansion: This might mean selling customers additional products or services, upgrading their service, or getting them interested in a completely different product that solves a different problem.
- 10. Advocacy: Extremely satisfied customers can help you expand your customer base further. They become brand advocates and do part of the work of selling your product to their peers, colleagues and friends.

## **Product Life CYCLE**



Product life cycle refers to the length of time from when a product is introduced in the market until it's removal from the shops/Stopped production.

PLC is classified in 4 or 5 stages.

1&2: R&D and Introduction

**3:** Growth Phase

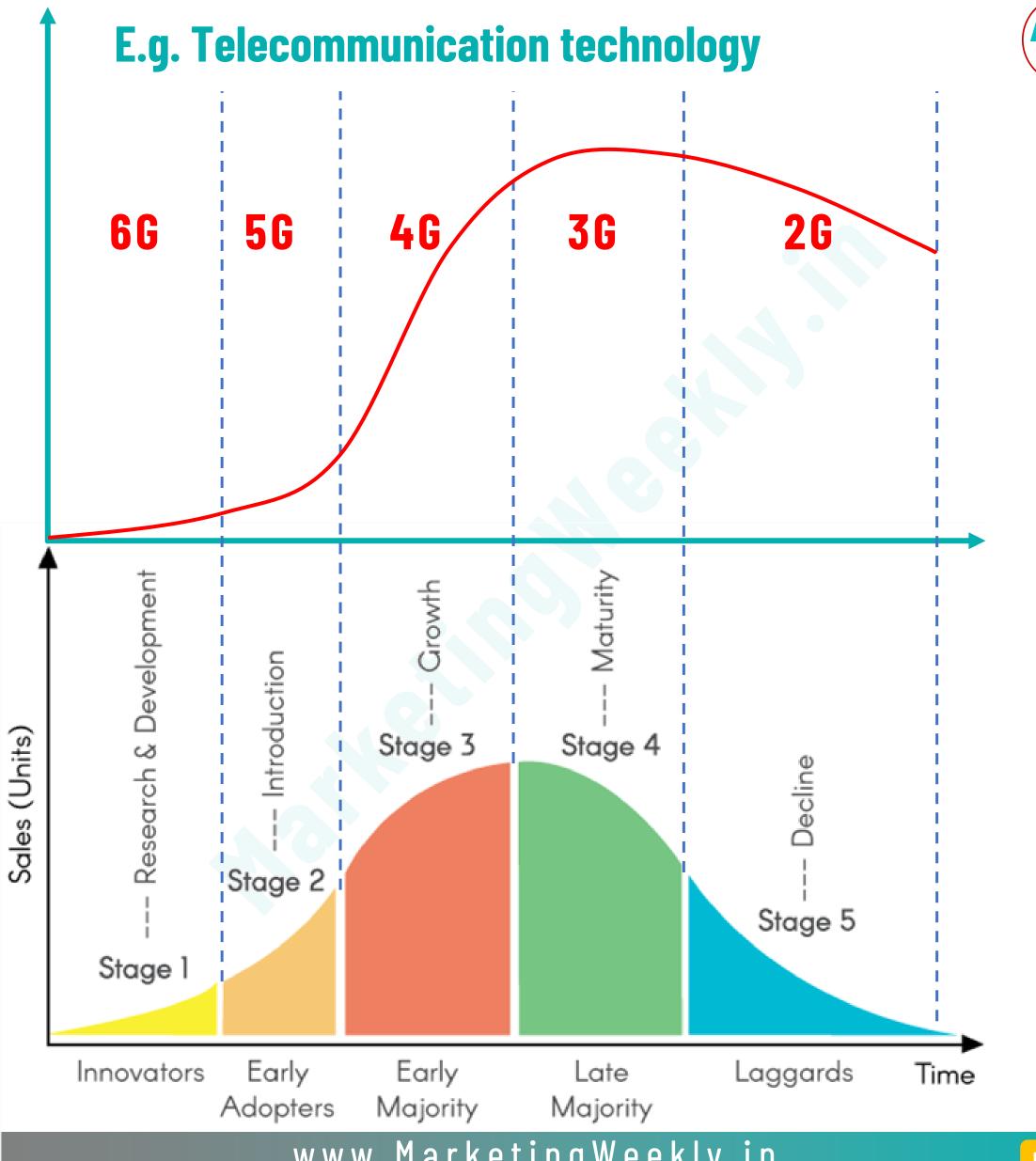
**4:** Maturity

**5:** Decline

Few KPIs are stated in below graph from Kotler.

Characteristics	Introduction	Growth	Maturity	Decline
Sales	Low Sales	Rapidly rising	Peak	Declining
Costs	High cost per customer	Avg cost per customer	Low cost per customer	Low cost per customer
Profits	Negative	Rising	High	Declining
Customers	Innovators	Early adopters	Middle majority	Laggards
Competitors	Few	Growing	Starting to decline	Declining

Adopted from: Kotler, Marketing Management

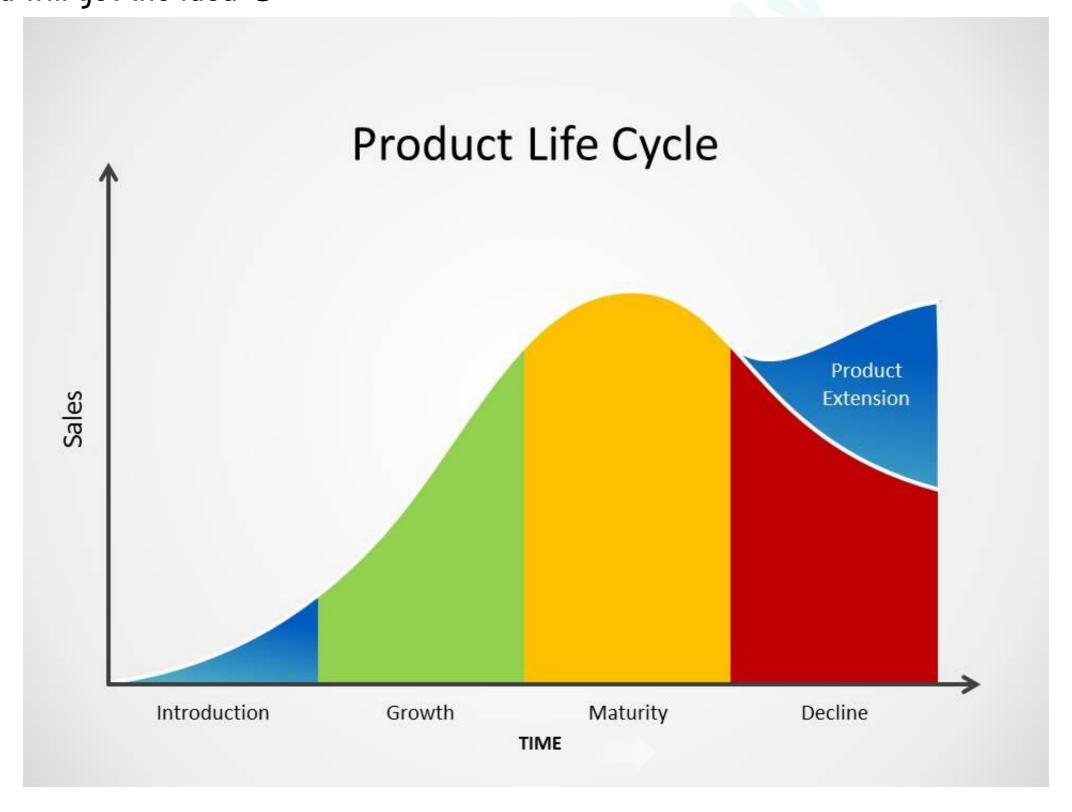


#### **PLC Extension**

When **Hyundai's Creta** started losing against **Kia Seltos**, Creata launched its new Facelift version.

Another example: After success of **Tata Tiago**, they entered premium hatchback segment with **Altroz** to fend off **Maruti's Baleno**.

Check-out how Microsoft expanded its **Microsoft Office suite**? You will get the idea ©



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#### What is a BRAND?

In order to find a Job, the first thing you do is build a CV.

What does the CV represent? It represents an image of you, a perception, a promise that will be fulfilled once you are hired.

This is your brand!!



A brand is a perception that the customers have about your product or service. It is an emotional and psychological bonding between your customer and your brand.

A trademark is a brand name that is **legally differentiated** from all the other brands.

For Example: Coca Cola is a trademark.



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There are two terms sometimes alternately used to talk about a brand: Brand image and Brand experience. In marketing terms, **they have two distinct meanings**.

**Brand Experience** is the **sum total of all contact points** with the brand. For example: Advertisements, Buying, Using, Longevity, etc.

**Brand Image** is a virtual construct of a brand inside the minds of the customer; it is the **sum total of all the expectations** that a customer has about the brand.





Different brand elements that make a brand:

✓ Name

✓ Colour

✓ Logo

✓ Sound

✓ Theme

✓ Movement

✓ Shape

- ✓ Smell
- Graphics
- ✓ Taste



Amazon has been one of the most valuable brands in the recent years because it has maintained its core brand values – ease of use, speed, agility- even while diversifying.

Closer home, Reliance Jio in just 4 years has created an enviable brand image that is rooted deeply in India, celebrating its vibrancy, diversity and happiness.









#### **BRAND VALUE**

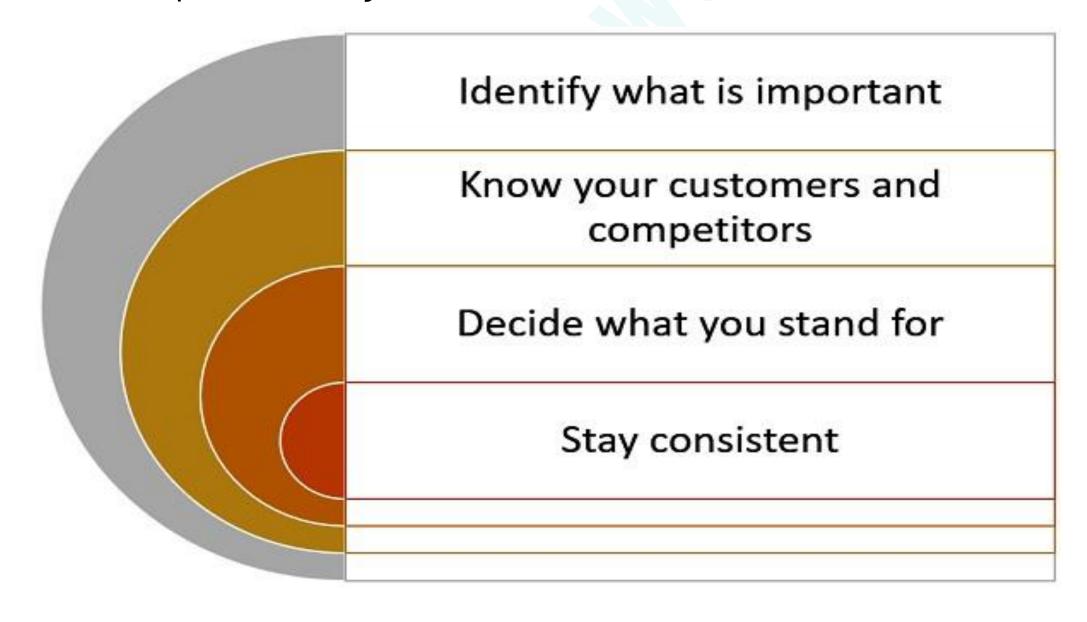


Brand value, is the **financial worth** of the brand.

To determine brand value, businesses need to estimate how much the brand is worth in the market – in other words, how much would someone pay for your brand name.

We can also define it as- The difference between what a customer pays for getting the branded product, i.e. from the brand point of view, and a similar product without a revered brand name.

The main steps for creating brand value are:



#### **Brand value vs Brand Equity:**



There is often a confusion between both these terms.

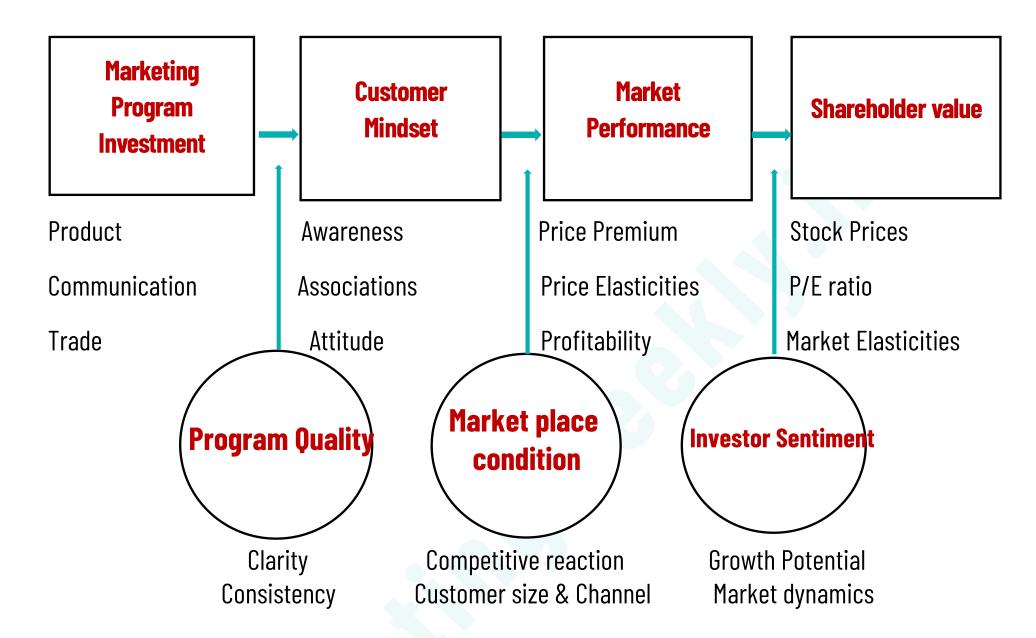
The following table explains the difference between both the terms:

	Duand Fauth.	Duonal Value
<b>Basis for Comparison</b>	Brand Equity	Brand Value
Meaning	Brand Equity is the worth of the brand that a firm earns through consumer consciousness of the brand name of the specific product, instead of the product itself.	Brand Value is the economic worth of the brand, wherein the customers are readily willing to pay more for a brand, to get the product.
What is it?	Attitude and Willingness of the consumer towards the brand.	Net present value of forecasted cash flows
Derived from	Customers	Product and Service Quality, Channel relationships, Availability, Price and Performance, Advertising, etc.
Indicates	Success of the brand	Total financial value of the brand.

#### The Brand Value Chain



Value Stages



Brand value creation begins when the firm targets actual or potential customers by investing in a marketing program to develop the brand, including product research, development, and design; trade or intermediary support; and marketing communications.

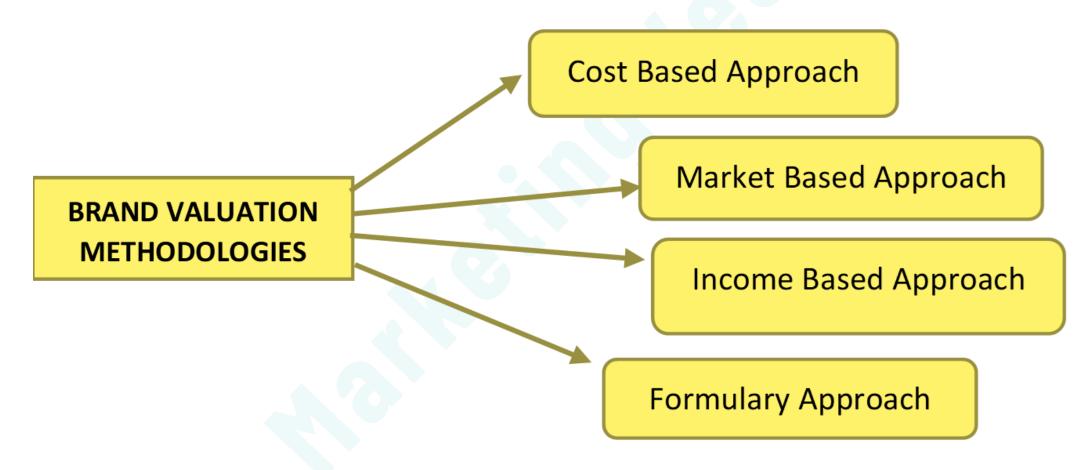
Based on the initial efforts put in, the firm tries to assess- customers' mindsets, buying behaviour, and response to price which is subject to change as a result of the marketing program.



The investment community will then consider market performance, replacement cost, and purchase price in acquisitions (among other factors) to assess shareholder value in general and the value of a brand in particular.

Other important factors which contribute to the brand value are the -Marketing Program Quality, Market place condition, and the general Investor sentiment

#### Methodologies to calculate brand value:



#### **MOST VALUABLE BRANDS OF THE WORLD:**













SAMSUNG

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# Game of Brands





May the best brand win!



#### What is Brand Rivalry?

It can be defined as the competition between brands offering similar line of products to the same target audience at similar prices with the goal of increasing market share and overall revenue.







#### Types of Rivalry

#### To win potential customers

 The idea is to win new potential customers who haven't bought yours or you competitors products yet.





#### To win rival's customers

 The idea is to win the rivals' customers whilst preserving the brand's original customers.

#### To win sales from shared customers

 The idea is to win large share of sales from customers that have subscribed to multiple providers.



#### Famous brand rivalries



#### **VISA vs Master Card**

Ever since the plastic money made way in people's lives, these two financial service providers have been giving competition to each other head-on.





#### **Marvel vs DC**

These two companies took their rivalry to another level by publishing a comic series named 'Marvel vs DC' to show open rivalry between the superheroes.

#### Famous brand rivalries



#### **McDonald's vs Burger King**

Serving the same customers at similar prices, Burger King and McDonalds have taken a dig at each other time and again especially over their hamburgers.





#### **Coke vs Pepsi**

With their innovative marketing campaigns, these two famous soft drink giants are able to attract customers even after the customers' focus shifted towards healthier drinks



#### Benefits of Brand Rivalry

#### **Builds Loyalty**

Rivalries help brands get customers take its side and discourages them from using competitors' products.





#### **Gains sympathy**

Rivalries help smaller brands or start- ups get sympathy votes from its customers

#### **Attracts attention**

If a rivalry become controversial, it brings in free publicity and word of mouth promotion.





#### Drawbacks of Brand Rivalry

#### **Competitor benefits**

Rivalries can also provide visibility to a brand's competitor which can give them attention.





#### **Competitor improvement**

Rivalries increase your competitors' brand awareness even if you're pointing at its flaws.

#### **Awakening sleeping brands**

When brands bite more than they chew, they can even lead to awakening of the sleeping brands.



# Brand Personality

#### **Brand Personality**



To know about Brand Personality, first you have to know:

#### What is personalit

Combination of characteristics that form an individual's distinctive character, in short, an identity. A brand is also an identity at the end of the day, something about the brands that we connect with.





You must have heard people say that they \times 'love' Coca-Cola, or 'can't live without' Apple's iPhone, won't buy ketchup from anyone, but Heinz

of us make decisions before we're rationally aware of them. Instead, our feelings for specific companies are based around one very important concept: our archetype. More precisely, they come from the personality as our 'archetype'.

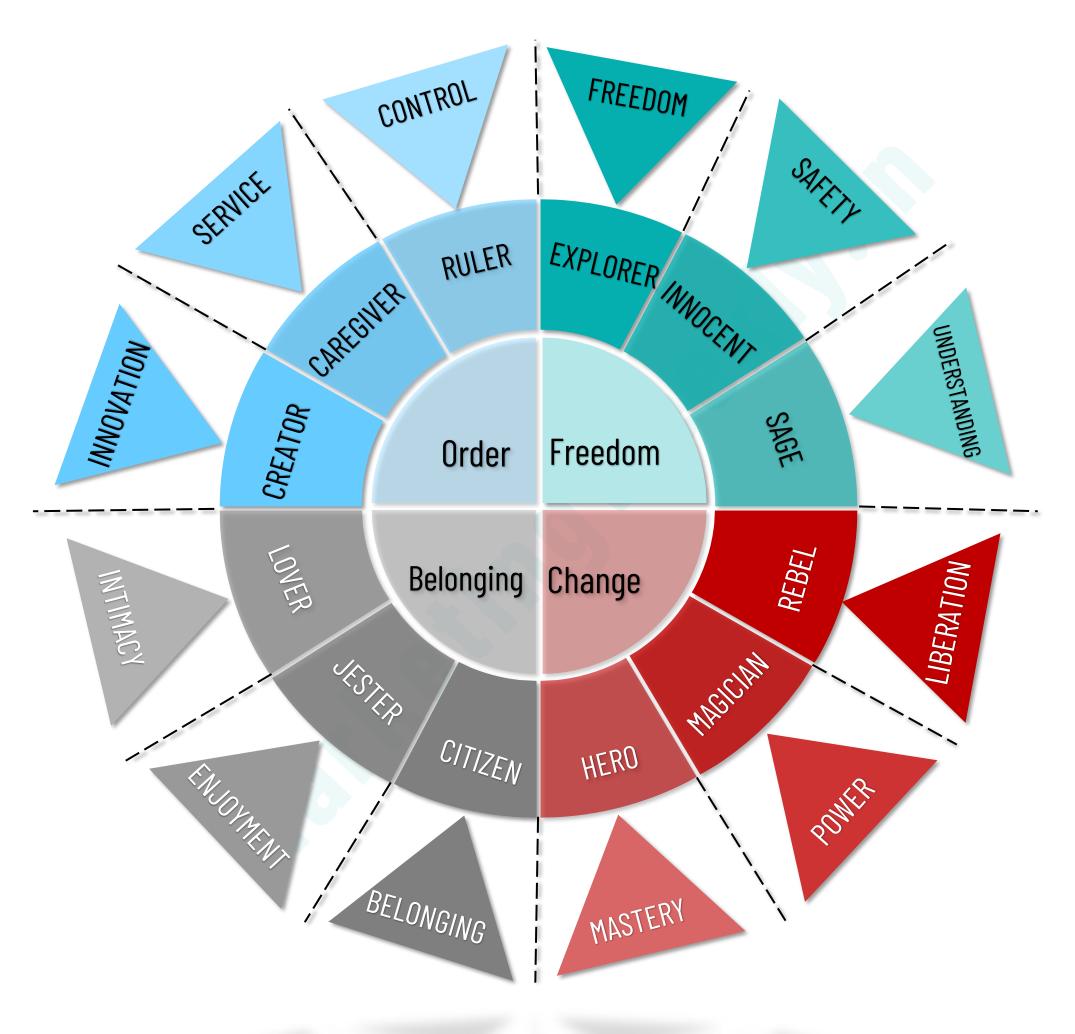


When properly identified, brand archetypes will reflect the personality of brands and serves to better align personality type with specific Customer Personas



#### 12 Brand Archetypes





#### 12 Brand Archetypes - Explained



#### The **Explorer**

Recognizes the boundaries around them, they don't let restrictions those stop them

Loves simplicity and are built around the ideology of spreading joy

### The Innocen

**BRAND** 

**WHAT CUSTOMERS FEEL** 

**BRAND** 

WHAT CUSTOMERS FEEL

Motivates to walk on your own path

Encourages others to step outside of their comfort zones and follow their heart

Motivated to never settle

Encouraged to learn from mistakes

Admires the brand courage

Positive and kind vibes through brand experience

Builds trust and connections through honest and nostalgic views

Wants to live a beautiful life Takes life easy, smile

Feels safe and beautiful inside

**BRAND** 









**BRAND** 





Jeep











#### 12 Brand Archetypes - Explained



#### The Sage

Celebrates curiosity while knowledge with sharing others

" Goes above and beyond to create something unique for its target audience, and often they inspire almost cult-like following

#### The Rebel

**BRAND** 

**WHAT CUSTOMERS FEEL** 

**BRAND VOICE** 

WHAT CUSTOMERS FEEL

**Encourages customers to think** in new ways

Message is always factual, without unnecessary emotions

Absorbs the knowledge

Digs deeper in the solution finding

Considers the brand as a teacher, a mentor

Honest, raw and loud

Speaks fearlessly about topics that can be scary, inconvenient or controversial

Experiences the uncommon

**Thrilled** 

Feels safe and beautiful inside

**BRAND** 

**BRAND** 

























Check the remaining 10 Brand Personalities Here

#### Campaigns example

















#### **BRAND IDENTITY PRISM**

Before digging into the details of the Brand Identity Prism, let us understand brand association. What comes to your mind when you think of **Coca-Cola**? Happiness? Refreshing? The iconic coke bottle? Young and socializing? Whatever you think, but most of us would associate positively with Coke.

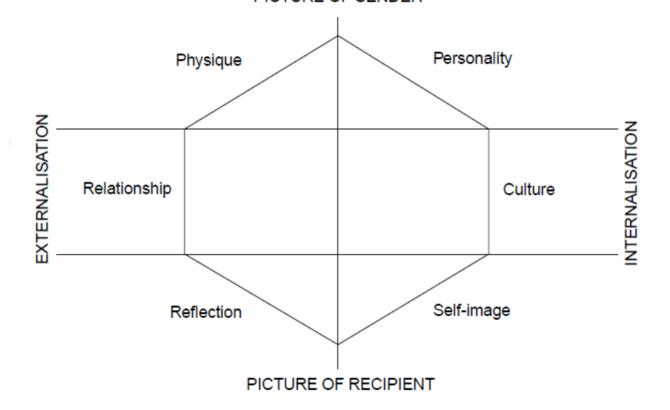
And why so?

The answer is simple: Coca-Cola has done a brilliant job in establishing itself as a positove brand no matter how harmful the drink could be.

The Brand Identity Prism is a hexagonal diagram that helps us understand how the different elements of a brand relate to each other.

It was a term coined by **Jean-Noel Kapferer in 1996**. According to Kapferer:

"Strong brands are capable of weaving all aspects [of the prism] into an effective whole in order to create a concise, clear, and appealing brand identity."



#### Let's discuss each element of the Brand Identity Prism:



**Physique -** Physique is the physical characteristics and iconography of the brand. It is the basis of the brand which visually represents the brand's aspirations and how you wish it to be perceived.

**Personality** - How a brand communicates with the outside world through its tone of voice, design and copywriting.

**Culture** - The principles and the values on which the brand bases its behavior

**Relationship** - The understanding between the brand and its customers, and what the customer hopes they are getting from the brand beyond the actual product or service.

**Reflection -** The stereotypical user of the brand. A brand is likely to have several buyer personas but they will have a go-to subset of their target market that they use in their messaging.

**Self-image -** How the customer perceives their ideal self. By understanding a customer's 'ideal identity' - what they aspire for and how they tend to look and behave ideally - brands can target their messaging accordingly

#### **Brand Identity Prism for APPLE**



Physique:

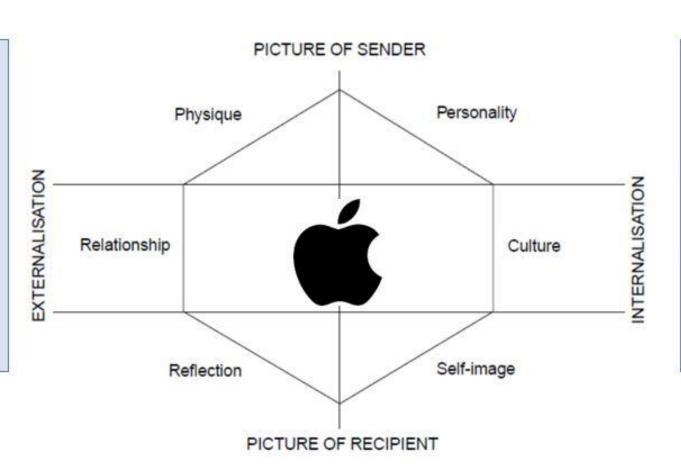
Micro-computers, All purpose

Relationship:

Liberation, Friendly

Reflection:

Young minded, Autonomous



Personality:

Intelligent, creative, cool

Culture:

Changing the organization, The Valley culture

Self-Image:

Self enhancement

#### **Brand Identity Prism for L'Oréal**

Physique:

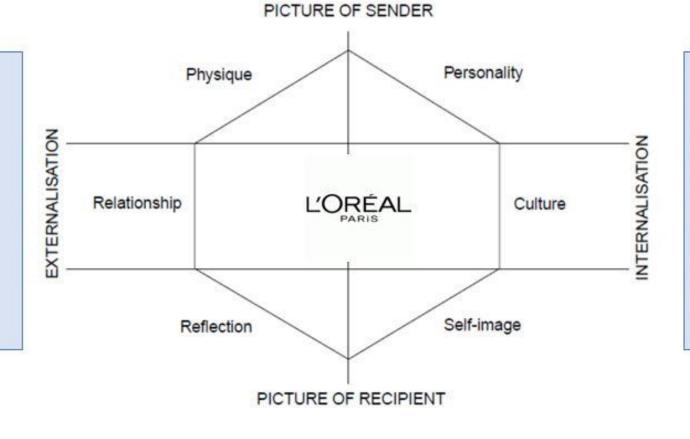
Beauty product for women

Relationship:

Trust and Respect

Reflection:

**Beauty Expert** 



Personality:

Attractive woman, Modern

Culture:

Innovation

Self-Image:

Confident, Independent

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# Rural Marketing

The process of planning, and executing the conception, pricing, promotion, and distribution of ideas, goods, and services to create exchange (for rural segments) that satisfy individual and organizational objectives.

\*Adapted from AMA definition of marketing

#### **Understanding today's rural consumer**



Open to new experiences with increasing disposable income

High utility orientation & value-seeking from each purchase

Open to be connected through digital channels

Price-sensitive but willing to spend on trusted brand

Majority shopping is done on special occasions

Aspires to mirror his urban counterparts

Strongly attached to local culture & language even on social media

#### 4 As - The key factors in a rural market



#### **Availability**

Planned trade -off between distribution cost & market penetration to ensure product reaches remote areas.

#### **Acceptability**

Modifying the product according to the rural conditions and facilitating ease of usage to make user comfortable with using the product

#### **Awareness**

Using traditional ATL marketing activities like TV/Radio ads to improve brand recall & connection

#### **Affordability**

Lower SKUs to prompt low-risk trials, along with convenient loans or money-lending facilities for bigger purchases

# Tweaking the marketing mix for the rural market Product strategies



- Modifying product design to provide convenience of usage to the rural market
- Smaller SKUs to improve trials for first-time users
- Improving sturdiness & power to improve attractiveness to a rural consumer
- Increasing utility over fancy features to provide maximum ROI
- Adaptive brand-building according to the audience tastes & preferences





LG Electronics introduced Sampoorna TV aimed at rural audience, India's first TV with a Devanagari script on screen display for vernacular languages



ISPAT industries branded its galvanised corrugated sheets as "ISPAT Kavach" & Tata Steel branded their product as Tata Shakti in order to connect strongly to rural audience & improve top of mind recall

# Tweaking the marketing mix for the rural market Pricing strategies



- Differential/reduced pricing as compared to urban areas
- Low Unit Price (LUP) packing or "paise packs" of even premium brands
- No-frills Economy pricing Coinage pricing, value pricing
- Discounts for special events according to local festivals & events
- Schemes for retailers like offers & quantity discounts to increase loyalty
- Credit facilities & promotional offers according to agricultural cycle
- Free gifts that provide additional utility
- Bundled pricing to promote maximum value for money





HDFC Festive treats is the rural phase of HDFC's financial services, where rural and semi-urban consumers will be able to avail offers specially created for them, like discounted processing fees for loans, reduced EMIs and discounts on 1000+ brands.

CavinKare introduced 4ml sachets of Chik shampoo priced 50 paisa each at a time when other shampoos were sold in Rs.2 packs

## Tweaking the marketing mix for the rural market Distribution strategies



- Local Markets/ Haats to reach out to maximum number of consumers
- Fairs & festival grounds/melas to grab high attention
- Wholesalers and kirana retailers to reach out to all neighbourhoods
- Vans/ mobile traders in order to have deeper penetration into remote areas
- Syndicate Distribution to sell & distribute non-competitive goods together through a common distribution channel
- Hub & Spoke model of distribution to cover dispersed crowds
- Self-help groups who can be employed for door-to-door selling
- Exclusive bazaars/ retail outlets like ITC e-choupal





Dabur Pudinhara set up 22ft tall Pudinhara bottle along with Thandak zone in Nauchandi mela which is a festive congregation of several villages.

HUL's rural sales promoters educate women in villages on distribution & selling of HUL products through Project Shakti

#### Tweaking the marketing mix for the rural market



#### Promotion strategies

- Mass media like television, radio, films, newspapers & magazines in local languages
- Rural-specific media like audio-vans, posters, pamphlets
- Door-to-door selling through trained salesmen/locals
- Outdoor campaigns with billboards, painted walls
- Entertainment programs like folk dance, street play, puppet-shows
- Mobile publicity vans with short film screening capacity
- Loudspeaker announcements & posters at festivals/ melas/ local markets
- Utilising the opinion leader (Village head or any other respected person in the village) as a promoter
- Word-of-mouth promotion facilitated through referral schemes
- Product demonstration & free sample distribution in public gatherings



"Thanda matlab CocaCola" gave the beverage company a breakthrough in rural Indian market. Coca-Cola also launched Accessibility campaign to bring the smallest SKU at Rs.5, competing with other drinks like tea & lemonade



Asian Paints promoted Utsav paint category by painting the Mukhiya/post office of a village 6 months before the launch, and organising painters meets





# Cause

# Forms of cause marketing

#### **Volunteerism**



Rather than asking for a

donation, businesses will ask if customers will volunteer their time to a certain organization

# Point of Sale Campaigns



A donation requested at the POS by a corporation but made by the customer

#### Transactional Campaign

A corporate donation triggered by a consumer action

(e.g. sharing a message social media, making a purchase, etc.)

#### **Portion of Purchase**



portion of their sales to a nonprofit or cause



#### **Pin Ups**

Primarily for in-house use.

Customers will donate and fill our their name on paper

icon, which will then be

hung up in the store

#### Digital Engagement

Businesses create a

"digital experience"

using social media

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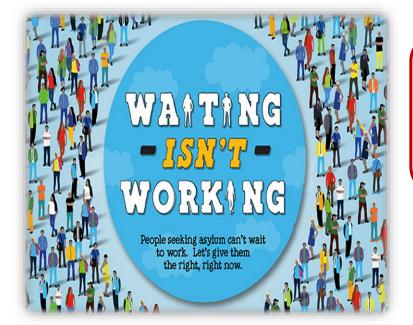
#### **Buy One Give**

Businesse will donate a product with comparable value to a designated product based on each sale of that product

## Cause marketing in the time of COVID 19



"We're all in this together." That is the message many companies are communicating to customers and the general public while the world grapples with the COVID-19 health crisis



Ben & Jerry's - #LiftTheBan, partnered with Refugee Action as part of the Lift the Ban coalition

**Facebook** is offering \$100 million cash + \$100 million in advertising credits to publishers





Cadbury's - Donate Your Words, joined with Age UK to fight loneliness, especially in this COVID times

**Burger** King offers 2 free kids meals with any meal purchase during coronavirus crisis







#### TATA Tea "JAAGO RE"

- This campaign took up social activism allowing the company to connect with issues such as voter registration, corruption and women's rights
- Before this campaign TATA Global accounts for 18.7% of market share and ranked number 2 after HUL (21.5% market share).
- Post this campaign launch they captured the number #1 position with 22% (currently at 19%) market share



#### Lifebuoy "GONDAPPA"

- Once a week, a volunteer visit homes to make the villagers aware of the need to wash their hands with soap
- Overall diarrhea incidence reduced from 36% to 5%
- The campaign has reached out to 180 Million people
- Why? Diarrhea alone killed 13% of children under the age
  of five and as per UNICEF, 31% of children have access to
  basic sanitation

Interesting Read: Brand Activism





#### Coca Cola "5BY20"

- Program to help 5 million female entrepreneurs —
  from fruit farmers and artisans to recyclers and
  retailers —become part of our value chain by 2020
- **3.2 million** women in 92 countries have started businesses as part of our 5by20 program



#### HORLICKS "AHAR ABHIYAN"

- The campaign will aim to address issues of malnutrition among the youth. Under the campaign, a contribution of Re 1 will be done towards the initiative from the sale of Horlicks in the state
- 14% lift in sales, because of this campaign (in West Bengal)





#### P&G "PROJECT SHIKSHA"

- Provide children from underprivileged backgrounds access to holistic education.
   Focused efforts in three main areas - improving education infrastructure, empowering marginalized girls through education and improving learning outcomes.
- Launched in 2005, raised over Rs 22 Crore for the cause
- Overall sales increased by 5 times



#### Gillette "THE BEST MAN CAN BE"

- Launched on January 13, 2019 with the digital release of a short film entitled We Believe: The Best Men Can Be, to address negative behavior among men, including bullying, sexism, sexual misconduct, and toxic masculinity
- Amassed over 11 million views in just eight months









#### Vistara "FLY THE NEW FEELING"

 Partnered with Salaam Baalak's trust which is a non-profit, as well as a non-governmental organization, is providing support to street children of Delhi and Mumbai to fly 12 kids on its first flight ever

#### Mahindra "SEED THE RISE"

- A digitally-driven crowd-funding campaign to enhance the lives of farmers
- Got donations amounting to INR 1 crore and will be utilized for farmer welfare through five carefully hand-picked projects in collaboration with Four NGOs

#### Nestle "EDUCATE THE GIRL CHILD"

 In partnership with Mumbai-based education reform non-profit Nanhi Kali in late 2016 in order to Educate the Girl Child in a long term project of the same name

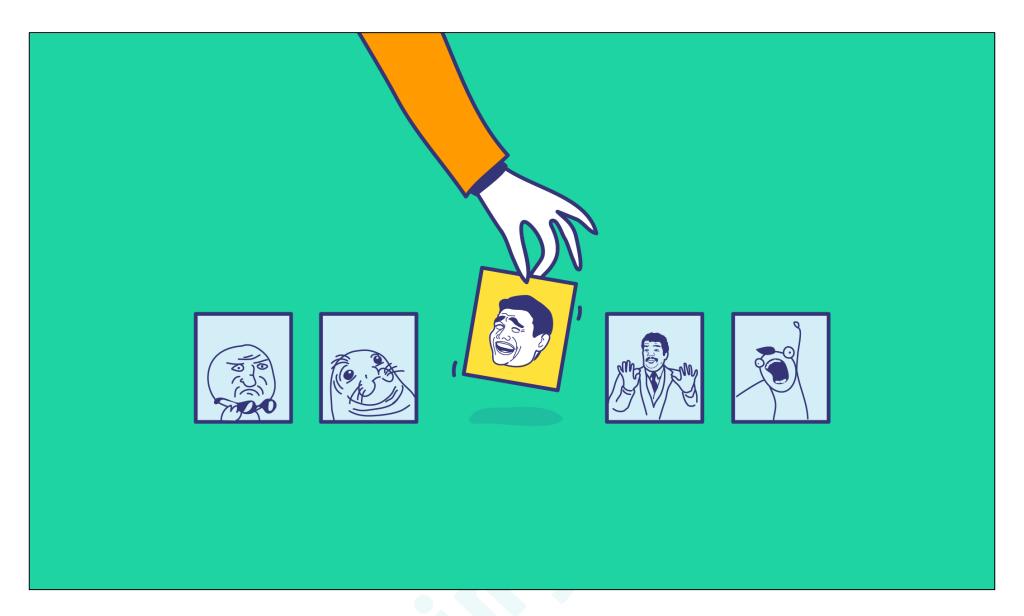
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# MEME MARKETING



#### **MEME MARKETING**





The word meme coined from a Greek word 'mimeme' which means "to imitate".

It was first used by Richard Dawkins in his book **The Selfish Gene** in 1976. He argued that virality didn't just apply to infectious diseases, but also to anthropological settings.

He defined a meme as any shareable cultural artifact that spreads through like wildfire.

Memes are also considered as cultural analogues to genes as they self-replicate, mutate, and respond to selective pressures.





#### **MEMES - the future of social marketing:**

Meme marketing is a kind of marketing in which memes from various mediums like word of mouth and social media networks are used to fulfill marketing goals.

It is the practice of using users to promote a brand or product by creating appealing, engaging, and fast-spreading news or content.

#### Millennials spend over 200 minutes online every day.

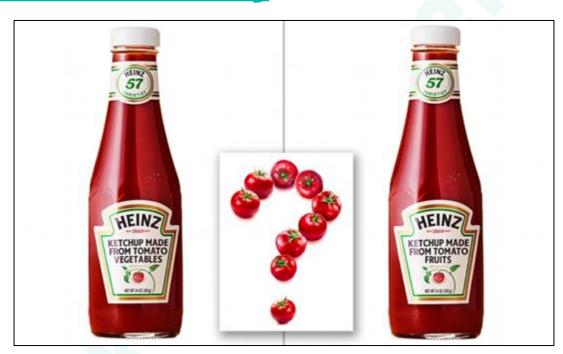
Memes are so prolific that millennials and Gen Z are laughing and sharing thousands of memes everyday.

This gives brands plenty of opportunities to engage with their audience.

The drawback of traditional brand marketing on social media is that it often has low interaction. People tend to skip over lame, commercialized content and get to their normal proceedings.

**Gen Z is very ad-averse.** They can smell promotion from a mile away, and they aren't having any of it. Memes aren't overly promotional -- they make people laugh with a casual reference to your brand.

#### **How Heinz used MEME marketing**



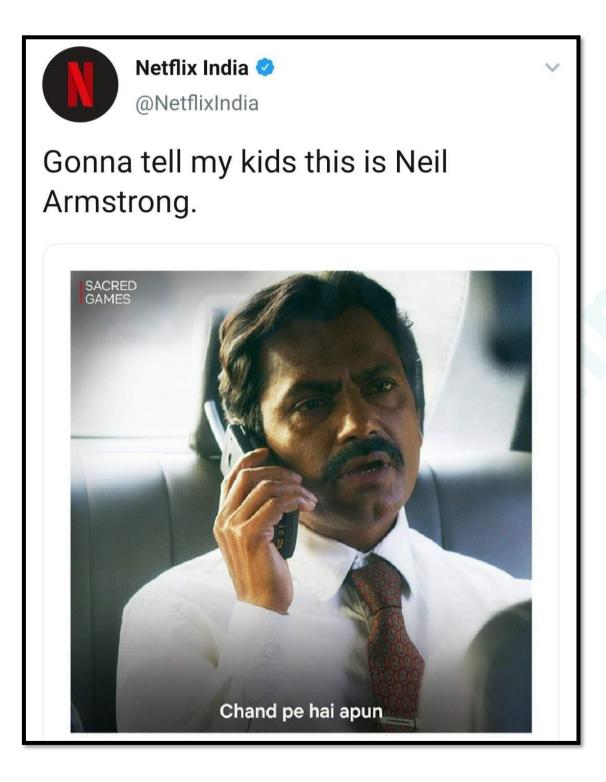
Heinz is a perfect example of meme creation in action. The condiment brand wanted to increase brand awareness and engagement on its social media. It implemented a meme marketing campaign which **earned 4 million impressions with 80k engagements.** 

Heinz cleverly fed into the timeless debate on tomatoes being a fruit or a vegetable. They asked people to take sides with hashtags and posted graphics saying, "If you had to decide right now if a tomato is a fruit or a vegetable?"

#### Netflix has majored in meme marketing



#### **FOMO TRIGGERED**





**MEME-JACKING** 



#### When Zomato started a meme trend and others followed it



#### Important elements of Meme Marketing:



**Be native.** It is very important that a digital native is writing and sharing memes from the brand so the lingo is on point. Otherwise, the audience will immediately pick up that the brand is trying too hard to be cool which will ultimately hurts the brand.

**Be relatable.** It's guaranteed that only a sliver of the population will understand a meme and it is not going to appeal everyone. So a meme should be directed towards the target audience and should cater to their interests.

**Watch the timing.** An existing meme should only be used if it is still trendy and if a new meme is created, the cultural climate should be right. Otherwise, it could come off as tone deaf and out of touch.

#### **Conclusion:**

Meme marketing not only helps brands increase their brand exposure but also drives their marketing goals, be it familiarize the target group with the product or bring traction on site.

Meme marketing as against to traditional as are relatively inexpensive, which is why brands are including meme marketing in their core marketing strategy.





Though Meme Marketing appears to be an easy affair, agencies often struggle with it. The key to it is being relatable, funny and at the same time the brand shouldn't come off as trying too hard otherwise it can lead to a bad reputation.





# Emotional

Marketing

### **Emotional Marketing**



Most customers' buying decisions are driven by emotions rather than logic, which makes emotional marketing important.

Emotional Marketing is a marketing strategy that uses basic emotions to elicit customer response. It tells a story that connects with the customers in a humane way. All the emotions are aligned with the brand's objective, vision, and mission. Emotional marketing leads audience tends to notice, remember, and later buy. They reach more audiences through shares on social media and results into brand loyalty.

First impressions (which last only a few seconds) make the best impressions. Emotional marketing can make great first impressions. If marketed wisely, the brand tends to stand out in the consumer's mind. Studies show that emotional marketing campaigns work twice as better as other marketing campaigns. Emotions are primarily divided into four broader groups, namely anger, sorrow, happiness, and surprise/fear.

#### **Examples:**

**Happiness:** Positive emotions like Happiness increase engagement. Android's "Friends Furever" showing pairs of different animals together in Harmony. This ad automatically brings a smile.

**Sorrow:** Sad news spreads faster and creates awareness among people.

WWF created an awareness campaign on how human actions lead to animal cruelty.

How animals have been mistreated, and human interferences are affecting their habitat.

**Anger:** Negative sentiment like anger can have an immediate impact and can change the audience's perspective. Earlier, the phrase "Like a Girl" was mostly used in a belittling way. P&G's Always brand launched "LikeAGirl" Campaign. Through this campaign, the positive sentiment of Women empowerment was portrayed which attracted women all over the world.

**Fear:** Through fear, there will be a sense of urgency, and the audience will start acting immediately. Ads like Smoking is injurious to health and can cause lung cancer elicit fear.

Here are a few things that work well with Emotional marketing.

Colour psychology plays a huge role. A movement towards a good cause – One example is "One day without shoes" campaign started by TOMS.

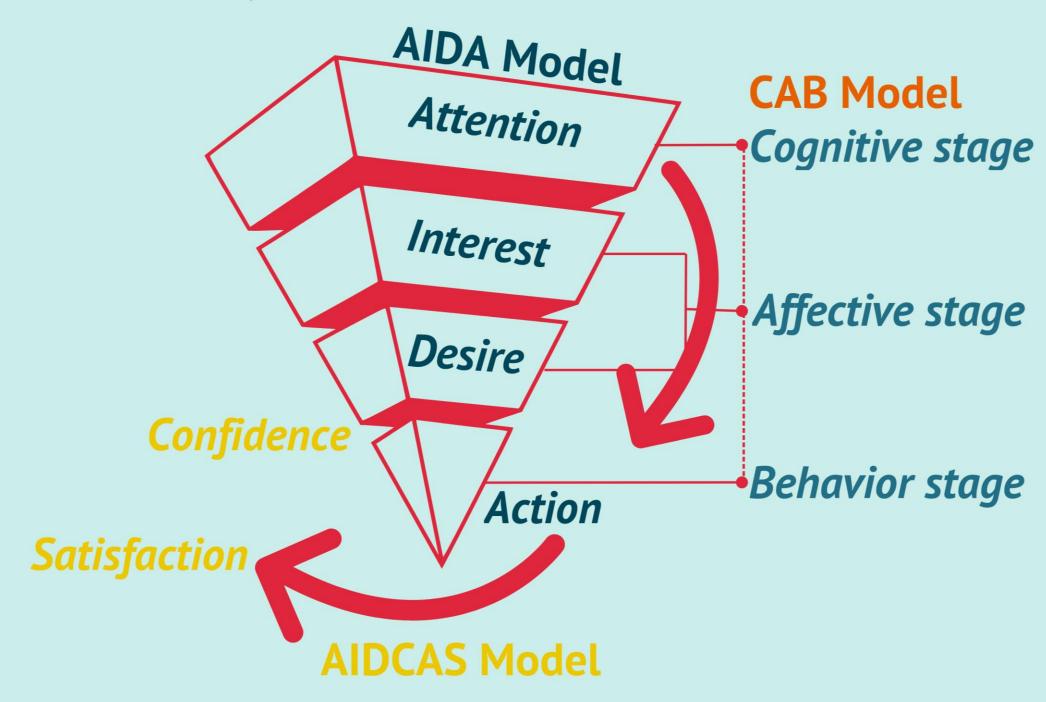
Creating Viral campaigns – Dollar Shave club took an everyday problem and the advertisement (our blades are f\*cking great) became viral overnight Building a community through word of mouth

**Interest Read: Article** 



#### **AIDA Model In A Nutshell**

AIDA stands for attention, interest, desire, and action. This is a model which is used in marketing to describe the potential journey a customer might go through, before purchasing a product or service. Variation of the AIDA model are the CAB model, and the AIDCAS model.



Credits: <u>HubSpot</u>

#### **AIDA**



AIDA is the acronym for Attention - Interest - Desire - Action. AIDA was developed by E. St. Elmo Lewis in 1898. AIDA Model is a linear series of cognitive thinking stages a prospective customer experiences while purchasing a product or a service. It is a marketing funnel leading to the final purchase of the product. It is popular in PR campaigns, digital marketing and sales strategies. It describes the journey of the customer from awareness of the product until the purchase.E. St. Elmo Lewis developed AIDA.

**Attention** - The first stage is for creating brand awareness about the product or service for the consumer. Customer's attention should be drawn through various marketing and advertising efforts.

**Interest** - Once the customer is aware of the product, the brand must work towards increasing the customer's interest level. The customer learns about the product benefits and if the brand fits their lifestyle. If interested, they want to research further. Detailed product information will be communicated through website, video, brochure, etc.

**Desire** - The customer builds an emotional connection with a particular brand and becomes a loyal customer. There will be a transition from "liking" to "wanting" the product. It is the desire to buy the product addressing the customer's needs



**Action** - It is the final stage in the AIDA model where the customer initiates action such as buying the product, purchase intention, shopping around, engaging in trial, etc.

**Example:** Suppose there is an offline store. Attention is running brand awareness campaigns months before the launch. Interest is offering a discount on first time purchase of the product and gauging how many customers were excited about it. Desire is that customers want to buy your products. Action is the customer comes to the store and purchases the product.

#### **Criticism:**

The post-purchase behaviour such as customer satisfaction, repeat purchase is not taken into consideration. Many external factors (excluding marketing efforts) affecting customer purchasing behaviour are not taken into account.

Interesting Read: How Horlicks became a Market Leader?



# World of Co-branding



#### COBRANDING

In late 1990s and early 2000s, many of us had this thought of a cricket team with Indian batsmen and Pakistani pacers. The thought of how brilliant a team would it be if it had Sachin, Souray, Sehwag and Wasim, Waqar & Shoaib Akhtar.

"- the Indo-Pak cricket team which was created by "two different brands" - the Indian Cricket Team and the Pakistan Cricket team thus creating a strategic alliance which benefits both. This is exactly what "Co-Branding" is!

**Cobranding** is the coming together of 2 or more brands in a **partnership** to create a product or to have a common promotional event.

E.g. Oyo Hotels partnering with Unilever for hygiene post Covid19





SOME CO-BRANDING EXAMPLES YOU SEE AROUND

















As the Brand Matters puts it - the main purpose is to create the value equivalent to 1+1=3, that is to increase the cumulative market strength, profitability, cost savings and perceived value.



#### <u>Advantages</u>

- Increasing Customer Bases
- Creating New Audiences
- Creating Unique Experiences. For Example:
   Nike+lpod Sports Kit.
- Increased brand awareness and TOMA Top-ofthe-mind-awareness.
- Sharing Risk or Losses.

#### **Disadvantages**

- Cross Contamination; Association of Nike with Lance Armstrong's Livestrong brand suddenly jeopardized due to doping allegations.
- Too many co-branding alliances can result in brand dilution





PepsiCo-owned Lay's has partnered with brands like Cadbury, KFC, Urban Company, Zomato, Spotify for special co-branded packs with a custom gratitude message thanking the brand and the unsung heroes. The name of the campaign is "HeartWork".







Swiggy/Zomato offering discounts on payment of orders with Amazon Pay or Phone Pe.



Interesting Read: Cobranding in Marketing





#### PLANOGRAM: The art of shelf planning

#### What is planogramming?

Planogram is arranging products on the shelves in a way that maximizes sales. The presentation of products in the store is as pivotal as the availability of a product.

#### Why planogramming is important?

A customer when unable to find the product will leave the shop without making a purchase. Therefore, proper product placement is of utmost importance for a retail shop.

#### How planogramming is done? (Techniques)

**Product Sequencing**: The way products are sequenced on a shelf can influence customer's decision making. Researches have proven that shoppers see from left to right most of the time therefore Highlighted products are kept on left.

Joint Family'Anokha Parivaar': Children(products) of parent(brand) stay together. Relatives(SKUs) though don't like each other wish to remain close.



### PLANOGRAM: The art of shelf planning

**Belt-to-Eye level**: Eye-level is buying level. High profit items are kept in this region which catches shopper's attention quickly

Toys & candies kept at lower level i.e. (Belt-to-eye level of kids) so that kids can see it & prod to buy

New arrivals always kept at eye-level

**Vertical planogram**: Related products of different brands placed at different shelf levels Packs are kept according to their size: bigger at higher level to smaller at lower

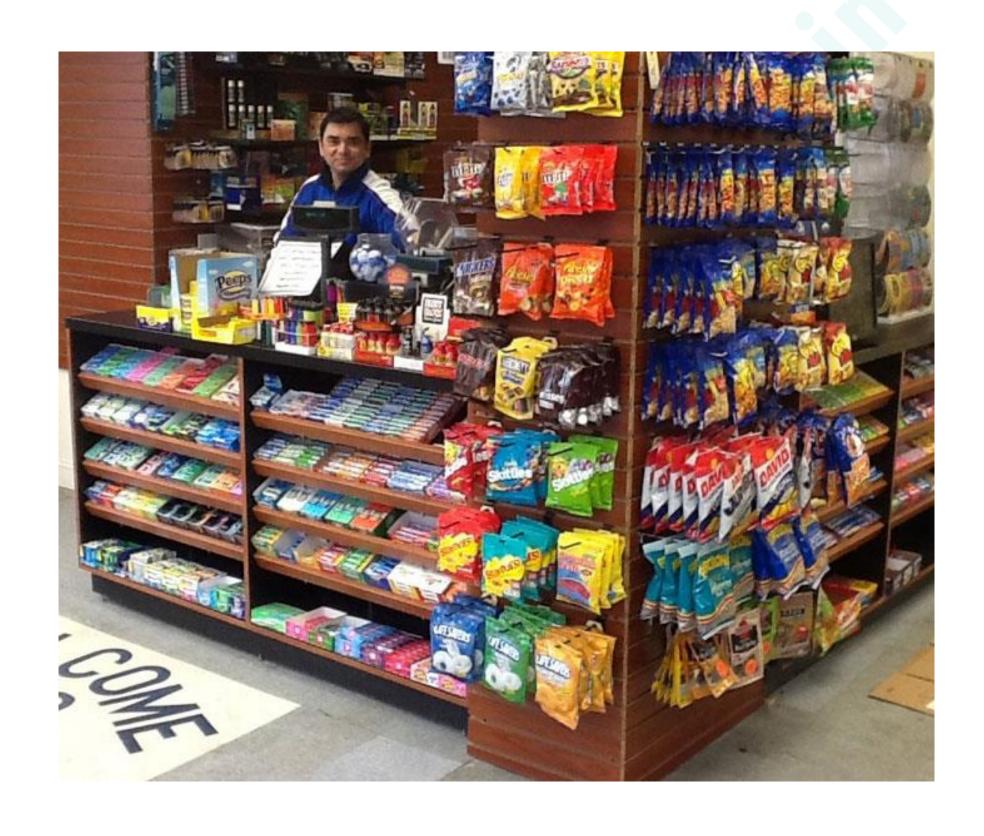
**Horizontal planogram**: products are placed horizontally on side by side shelves at same eye level. Customers can know about similar products from different brands.

**Shop Layout**: IKEA's store is designed like a maze to maximize average customer time in store.

# Impulsive buying example



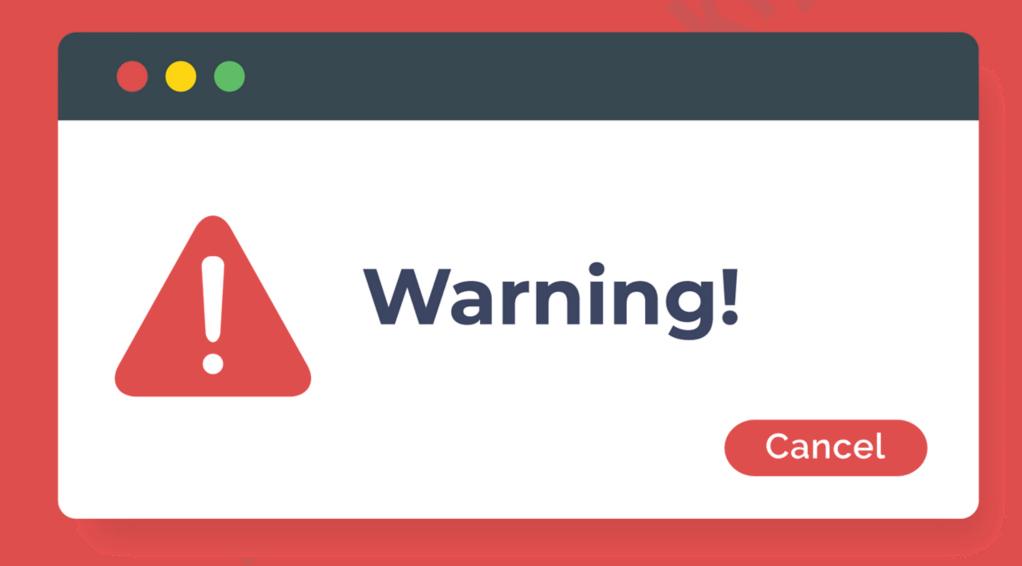
# Candies near cash-counter



**Interesting Read:** Examples of Planogram



# Framing Effect Things brands don't want you to know!





## **What is Framing Effect?**

Framing effect is a cognitive bias in which the brain makes decisions based on the way of information is presented to it. Marketers make use of this effect to influence the purchase decisions of their audience.

Ever entered a store looking for a sugary snack and ended up buying a chocolate that claimed to have '30% less sugar'? Congratulations! You have been a prey to the Framing Effect!





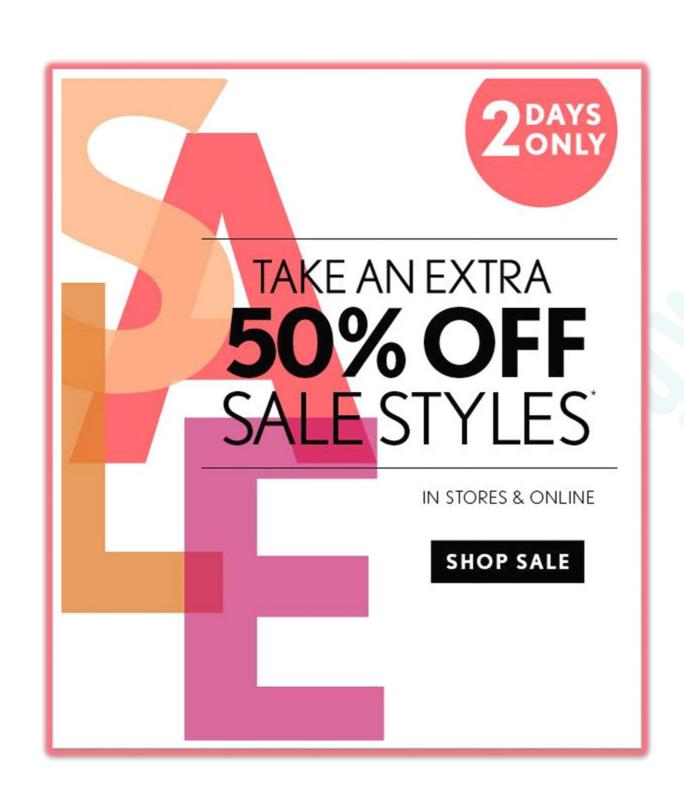
# Frame 1: Gain



The *Gain frame*highlights all the
potential benefits that
a customer can get
while using a
particular product.



## Frame 2: Loss



The Loss frame such as scarcity or Fear of Missing Out prompts the customers to purchase a brand's products.



## Frame 3: Statistics



A statistical frame can support your brand's argument in the most convincing manner and builds customer trust.



# Frame 4: Emotions



An *emotional frame* is used by the brands to stress upon the importance of how their product can make its customers feel differently.

Interesting Read: The white lie of packaging





### Brands using Surrogate Marketing































Why don't we have ads that says "Desh ka No.1 Whiskey" or "Have a break, have a Marlboro"?

It is because they are prohibited to promote their products directly.

The Advertising Standards Council of India (ASCI) has banned the direct liquor and tobacco ad in the media and hoardings.

Thus, came in surrogate advertising- an escape route for these brands to promote their products.

Surrogate means "substitute" and surrogate advertising just do that. Advertisements that duplicate the brand image of one product to promote another product of the same brand.

These companies go out of their way to create innovative strategies to attract as much attention from consumers and communicate effectively to sell a product, service, or idea which they could not do otherwise.



### How they Promote these products?

**Brand Extension**: Bagpiper's Communicating Product is Soda, Music CDs, whereas the main product is Whiskey.

These brands also extend their product line to improve brand recall.

For e.g. Recently Budweiser forayed into clothing industry by Budweiser Streetwear Co. to make apparel and face masks in partnership with Myntra.

**Proxy commercials**: "Men Will Be Men" Ad always evokes the brand recall of Imperial Blue.

**Promotion through movies**: Products are promoted by Actor e.g. Vodka Martini "Shaken, Not Stirred" in James Bond movies

**Social Media:** Twitter, Facebook; Instagram- getting max engagements (2019). Philip Morris suspended its social media campaign upon criticism for company's use of young online personalities to sell its new "heated tobacco" IQOS device #IQOSambassador

- **Campaigns**: Whassup bud by Budweiser- which reminds people to check on friends and family during the lockdown period, Heineken's "Connectioff" -pitfalls of social distancing during CoViD-19 pandemic
- **Organizing events & Sponsorship**: Teachers Bravery Award, Manikchand Filmfare Awards, #BacardiHouseParty are sponsored to keep the brand etched in their customer's mind.

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### Brand Extension with examples

**Main Product** 







**Communicating Product** 









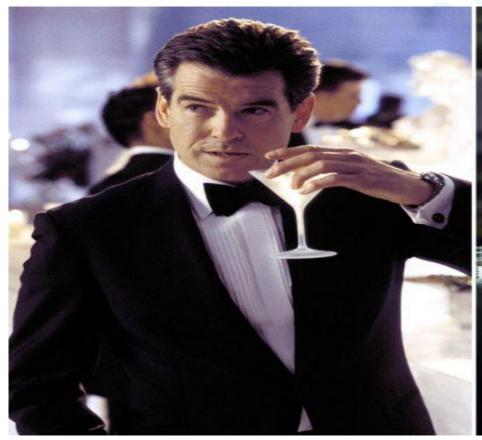


### **Proxy Commercials**





### Promotion through movies





### Social Media Promotions

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The first and only five red wine finished single malt whisky, The Dalmore Quintessence is a perfect example of the distillery's programme of exquisite cask curation and its legacy of restless innovation.



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The Dalamore

**IQOS** Device promotion (2019)

### Campaign & Sponsorship





Vimal Filmfare Awards



Heineken's "Connectioff" (2020)

Whassup Bud - Budweiser(2020)



### **GUERRILLA MARKETING**









Colgate delivering message right into user's tooth

Guerrilla marketing is all about unconventional communications. These tactics need a heightened imagination put into the campaign, lot of investment of time & energy. This often happens in unexpected places but make a high-impact impression.

But,

Executing a memorable guerrilla marketing campaign isn't as easy as we speak. ~ -

- Interruption
- Surprise etc



And if you don't just get the right mix of creative, shocking & so cool elements together, it has higher chance of backfire.

We'll start with some basics around where it came from and how it works, followed by an examination of how it can be carried out successfully.

Before that,

### **Roots of Warfare**

The term was inspired by guerrilla warfare which is a form of irregular warfare and relates to the small tactic strategies like ambushes, sabotage, raids, and elements of surprise used by armed civilians.

Guerrilla marketing is often best understood when it's observed, hence you understand without much context, the whole idea of guerrilla marketing can be a little confusing, so let's see it along with some examples.

### **Types of Guerrilla Marketing**

### **Outdoor Guerrilla Marketing**

This adds something to pre-existing urban environments, like temporary artwork on sidewalks and streets, etc

Viral marketing is a highly visible form of guerrilla marketing these days. A successful viral campaign basically spreads like wildfire. Like you tell two friends, they each tell two friends, and so on. Hence doesn't require much in terms of resources, and has the potential to be unstoppable.





**Outdoors Guerrilla Marketing** 

### **Indoor Guerrilla Marketing:**

Similar to outdoor guerrilla marketing, only it takes place in indoor locations like train stations, shops, and university campus buildings.



### **Experiential Guerrilla Marketing**



A mixture of everything said until now, but probably executed in a way that requires the public to interact with the brand.





### **Budget-Friendly**

What marketers can really cherish about implementing guerrilla marketing is its fairly low-cost in nature.

But this is in terms of monetary value.

The real investment here is a creative & intellectual brain that is needed for its implementation.

### Few Examples:



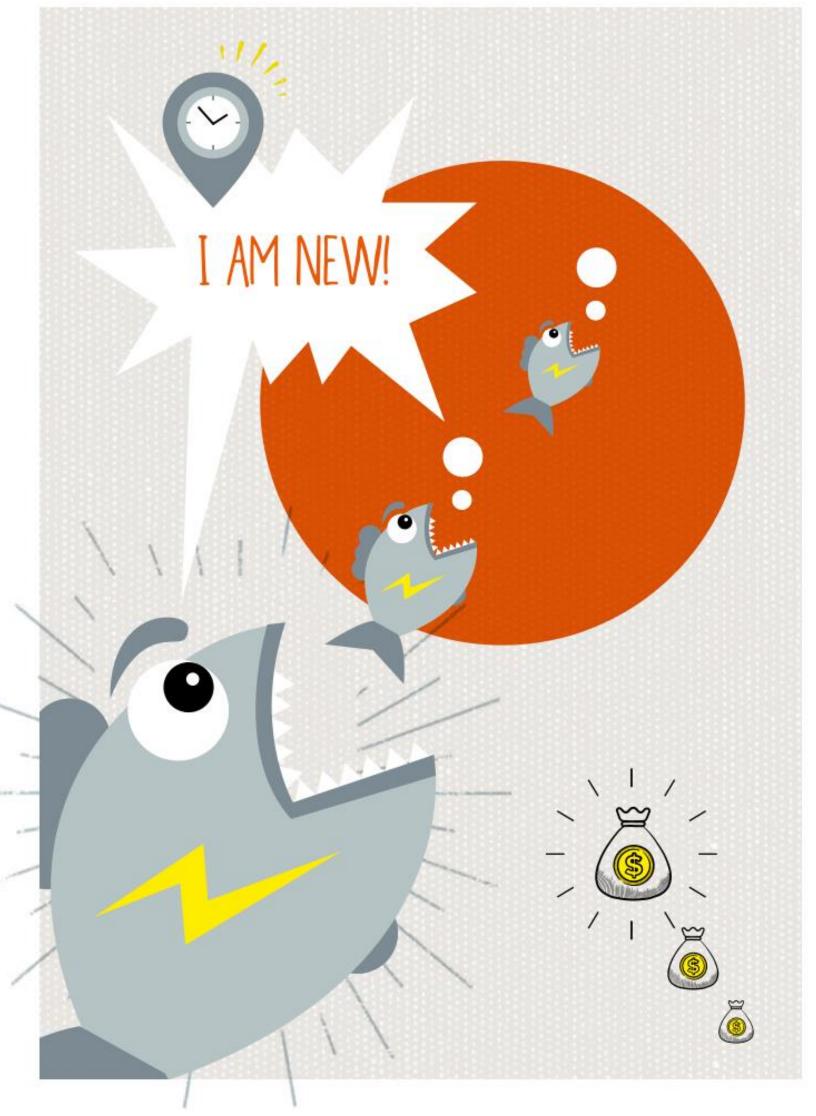






### Cannibalization

# Among brands

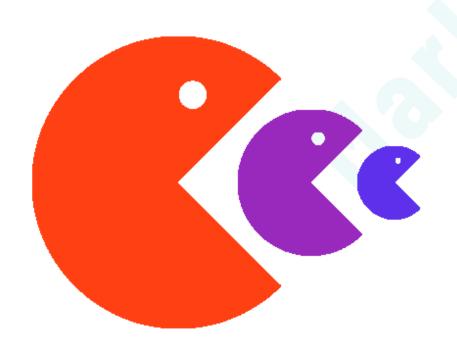




Abhi toh thode time pehle ek iPhone launch hua tha, ab firse? Chalo, will wait and then buy the latest one!

Since 2007, Apple has launched a new iPhone every year. What happens to the sales of the existing models? They reduce. But why do the companies do this then?





Cannibalization: It is a process of creating different sub-brands of the parent brand so that the parent brand can grow its customer base by targeting large numbers of customers. Most of the time, after launching a new product, the new product "eats" up the sales and demand for an old popular product.

### If you don't cannibalize yourself, someone else will





When the tech giant invents a new iPhone, it doesn't shy away from releasing it into the market. It ensures that their newer version is available in all their chain stores. It causes the sales of their older iPhones to drop significantly. However, Apple makes up for this loss by capturing its competitors' current customers, hence increasing its customer base.





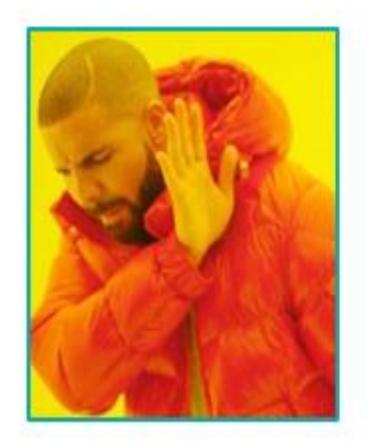






Digestive introduced a low-fat version of its brand. It knows some of its sales will be cannibalized from the original brand, but it hopes to expand its market share by appealing to health-conscious consumers who otherwise would buy a different brand.

















Coca-Cola launched different flavors in the hope of acquiring a bigger market share not caring about the initial cannibalization. Over time, Coca-Cola realized that loyal customers still preferred the original formula, which prompted them to react by revising their strategy to marketing the original formula as the "Classic Coke" and the rest of the flavors as either seasonal or festive beverages

The "Starbucks on every corner" is suffering of cannibalization of medical contents of the content of the conte sales through overexpansion. It had become difficult for Starbucks to maintain its status as a premium brand because it was

Too Many ?? STARBUCKS COFFE

"everywhere".





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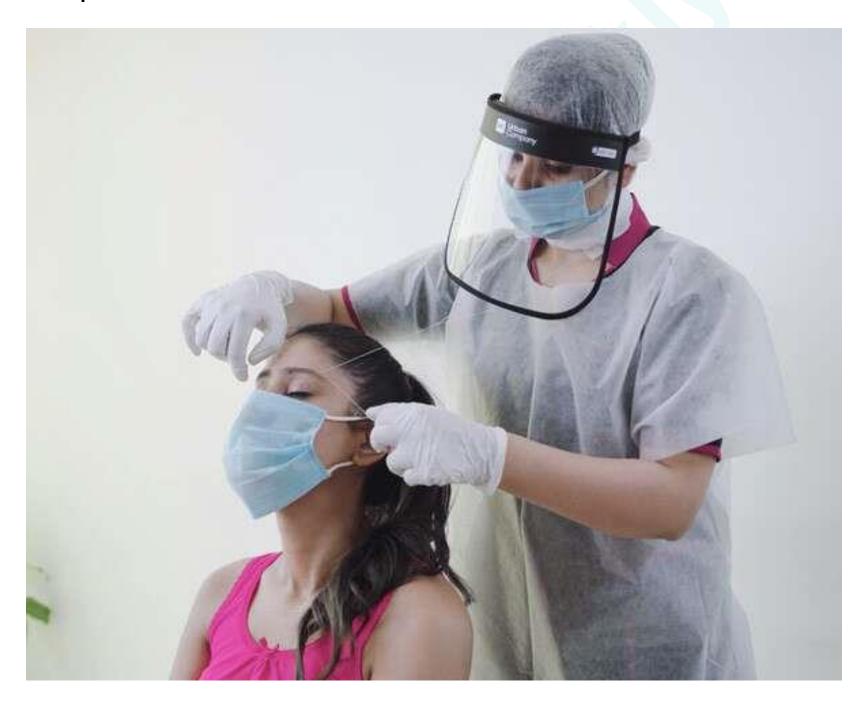
### **SERVICE MARKETING**



Service marketing is marketing based on relationship and value.

It refers to the application of a special set of tactics or strategies to predict the consumer's need for an intangible product.

And hence, meet their requirements accordingly, to provide maximum value for them from their purchase.



Urban Company's Saloon at Home is a great example of service Marketing



### **Service Marketing Triangle**

It depicts the relationship between three essential elements of a service industry, i.e., company, employees, and consumers





	Tangible	Tangible	
People	People Processing Services  Example Salon, Bike servicing	Product Processing /Processing services  Example Packers and Movers services	Objects/ Products
People	Mental Stimulus Processing Services:	Information Processing Services:	Objects/ Products
	Example Educational institutes and Professional training	Example Information technology like SAP	Tiouuota
	Intangible	Intangible	

### **Examples of Service Marketing**



### **Urban Company Home Salon**

Urban Company started with Home Salon booking after the LockDown 3.0 was over and 120000 people were waitlisted for the service



Extensive use of PPEs to safeguard customer's wellbeing & communicate safety

Haircut At Home
Single-use towels & cape

Starting at ₹249



Filling the Gap for male grooming space amidst lockdown

## DIGITAL



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### **DIGITAL MARKETING 101**



Digital Marketing, in simple terms, is Marketing on Digital channels. In order, to be a good Digital Marketer, you need to be a good Marketer first.

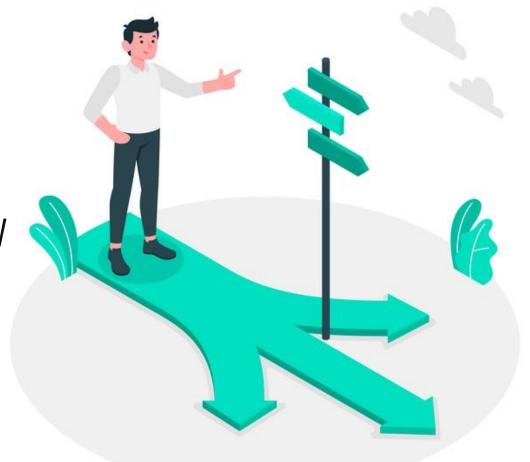
On top of all the basic marketing principles, a Digital Marketer needs to understand when and what Digital Marketing tools to use.

In this section, we will talk about what these digital channels and tools are and how measurement and optimization is the centerpiece of the Digital Marketing Ecosystem.

### **DIGITAL CHANNELS**

The basic principle of Marketing communication is to find where your prospects are and then communicate with them on that platform.

For Instance, Adidas will advertise on a Sports TV channel because that's where it's prospects are. Well, this TV channel is a traditional communication channel.



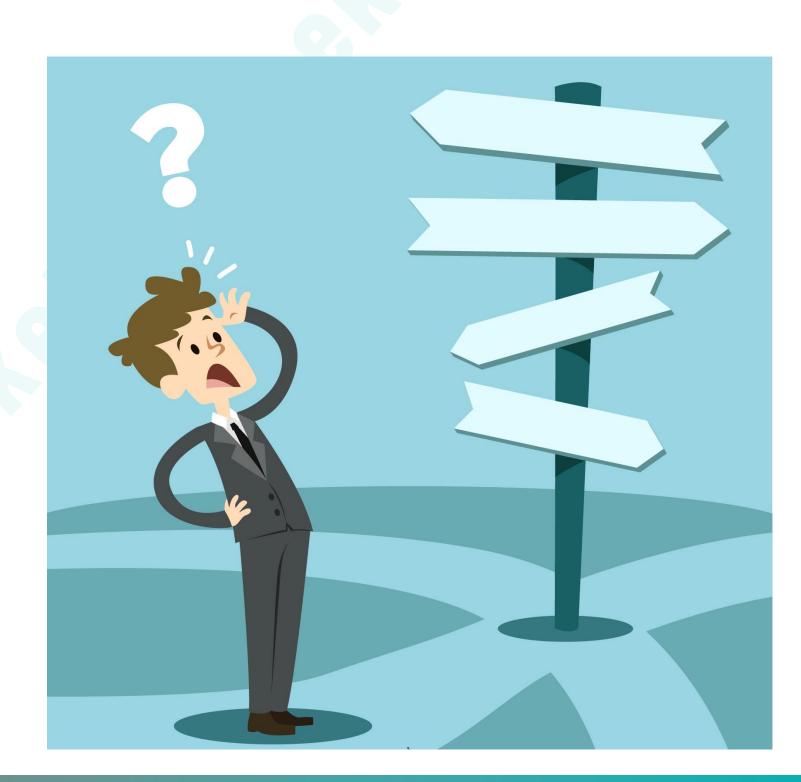
But we don't just watch TV, we browse the internet as well which becomes a digital channel.

## The major digital channels and by extension digital marketing avenues are,



- 1. Email\SMS\Push Notification Marketing
- 2. Search Engine Marketing
- 3. Search Engine Optimization
- 4. Display Advertisement
- 5. Social Media Marketing
- 6. Content Marketing
- 7. Affiliate Marketing

Don't worry!
Let's untangle each
channel nice & slow.



### **Email\SMS\Push Notification Marketing**

Email\SMS\Push Notification Marketing as the name suggests is sending Email, SMS, or Push notification to your prospects and customers.

These channels are used not only to sell products and services or announce new products but also to build a one on one relationship with the customer. These are the channels where you can directly communicate with the customer.

### **Types of Campaigns:**

- A. Batch Email campaigns (Sending one email to a large audience at a time eg. new product announcement or a Newsletter)
- B. Personalized Email campaigns (eg. Birthday Mails)
- C. Trigger-based campaigns (Automated campaigns that trigger when a user performs a particular set of actions eg. an automated email can be sent to users who visit your products page twice in one day)

<u>Important Metrics</u>: Open Rate, Click Rate, Hard Bounce, Soft Bounce, Delivery rate, Unsubscribe

**Popular Tools:** Hubspot, Marketo, MailerLite, MailChimp

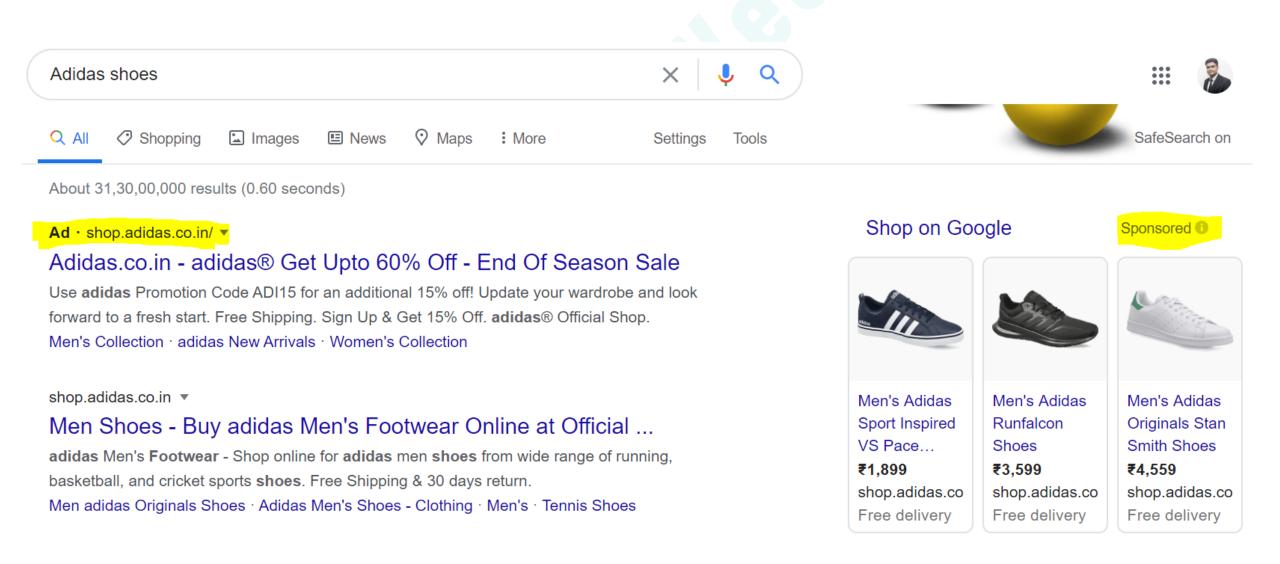
Interesting Read: What to learn from successful email frauds

### **Search Engine Marketing (SEM)**



**3.5 billion** searches are made on **Google** every day. Chances are, a lot of these people are searching for things related to your products and services. Search Engine Marketing is Marketing on that Search Engine result page.

As you can see above, The first result on the result page is labeled an Ad. Also, on the right side, those cards are labeled as 'Sponsored'. These are in fact advertisements run by Adidas for the keyword "Adidas Shoes".



### **Types of Campaigns:**



1.Text Ads

The first ad that you see above is a text ad. These ads contain a Headline field, description field and ad extensions (Men's collection, Adidas New Arrivals in the example above)

2.Shopping Ads

These ads as you can see in the example above appear as cards with an image and price of the product giving better visibility to users on what the product is.

<u>Important Metrics</u>: Ad Impressions, Ad Impressions share, Reach, Click Through Rate, Cost per click

**Popular Tools:** Google Ads, Bing Ads

### **Search Engine Optimization (SEO)**



93% of all online experiences begin with a Search engine and 75% of the users never reach the second page of search engines. This makes it essential for brands to feature on the first search engine result (SERP) page for their keywords.

SEO is a science and art of getting your website to this first page. SEO is also one of the most dynamic areas of Digital Marketing as SERP is governed by Search engine algorithms that keep changing.

The general idea to follow is that search engines want users to find exactly what they are looking for when they search for something.

That means, as an SEO expert, you need to make sure you are ranking for the right keywords and your website and landing page experience is flawless.

SEO is largely divided into two parts;

- 1. On-site SEO
- 2. Off-site SEO

On-Site SEO is optimizing elements on your website. These elements are User Interface and User experience on your site, page loading of your website, mobile-friendliness, Sitemap, Keyword planting on your Headings, content, etc,

Off-Site SEO is governing how the rest of the internet is talking about you (if at all). If links to your website (also called backlinks) are found on numerous other websites (i.e. other people are referring to your content), Search engine see this as sign of authority. If many related websites are linking to you, you become the centerpiece of that particular field

But, SEO is not limited to getting on the first page. Once you get there, you need to maintain the space as hundreds of other websites are continuously trying to take your place.

If your website appears first in the SERP and yet most users ignore you and click on the second or the third result (i.e. your Click-Through rate(CTR) is bad), Search engines will realize that when users enter this particular "search query", they are not looking to get to you. This will result in the degradation of your position on the SERP.

Important Metrics: Organic Traffic, Page Rank, Bounce Rate, Page load speed, Exit Pages, Keywords ranked for, Indexed pages, crawl errors

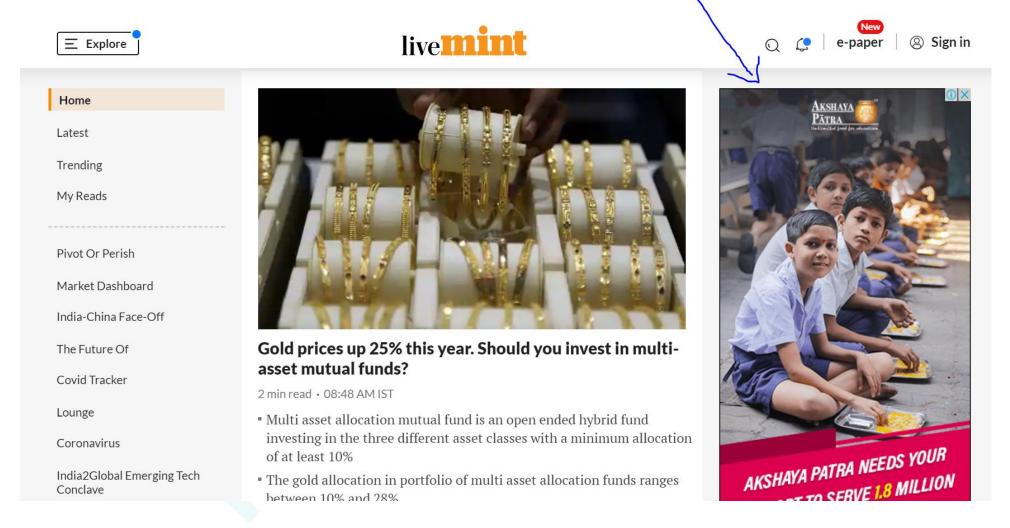
**Popular Tools:** Ahrefs, Moz, SEMrush, Google search console

### **Display Advertisement**



Display advertisements are text, image, or video ads you see on various websites. This is similar to an ad in newspapers. Newspapers publish content you want to read and they earn from the Ad revenue.

Similarly, Websites also publish content and earn from the Ad revenue by allocating certain spaces of their websites for Ads.



<u>Important Metrics:</u> Impressions, Reach, Cost per Impressions/click (CPM or CPC), Engagement rate, Click Through Rate, Ad visibility

**Popular Tools:** Google Ads, AdRoll

### **Social Media Marketing**



50% of the world's population is on Social media and Millennials on average spend about 158 minutes on Social media.

Social media marketing is creating content and advertisements on Social Media Platforms. Social Media platforms go beyond your basic Targeting options like Demography and Geography. They leverage the data, knowingly or unknowingly provided by you to create distinct behavior and event-based targeting options like "People who are likely to click on an ad for a Book" to "People who just got married or had a baby".

These advanced targeting options in the hands of good Marketer results in massive optimization of Marketing budgets.

Types of Ads: Link click, Video, Post boost, Multiproduct (carousel) ads, Dynamic product ads, etc

Important Metrics: Engagement Rate, Impressions, Cost per lead, Reach, etc

**Popular Tools:** Facebook Ads, LinkedIn Ads, Twitter Ads, Buffer, Hootsuite

### **Content Marketing**



Content Marketing is an **indirect form** of marketing your products and services. Marketers create and **publish blogs**, **videos**, **podcasts**, **and social media posts**.

Content marketing serves two major purposes.

First, it leverages owned media to inform prospects about your products and services. Second, it improves the overall SEO health of your web properties thereby increasing traffic and helps you achieve your Website goals.

**50:30:20** is a general rule followed in the industry for Content Marketing. This rule states that 50% of your content should be only for the users (i.e. not at all promotion).

These could be helpful information and guides. 30% content should be soft sell (this could be explaining your product features) and 20% content should be a hard sell with a clear call to action (CTA).

#### **Affiliate Marketing**



Affiliate Marketing is when a brand leverages **Content creators' audiences** to sell their products.

These Content creators (eg. **YouTuber or a Blogger**) get a commission when someone buys a product or a service using their referral.

Affiliate Marketing works on a fixed margin basis and in many ways is a no-loss strategy for Marketers (as you only incur a cost when a customer is acquired).

The challenge, however, is to maintain the brand safety.

Content creators who work as your affiliates are independent creators. What they say on these public platforms is not in your control. If these Content creators make an inappropriate statement (or a video/blog), it may have ripple effects on your brand

**Interesting Read:** How Marketing Automation works

#### **Key Principles of Digital Marketing**



Now that you are versed in Digital channels, let's talk about some key principles of Digital Marketing.

#### 1. Setting up SMART Marketing Goals

It is important to set up Goals for your Digital Marketing efforts as a whole and also at the individual platform and campaign level.

S: Specific

M: Measurable

A: Attainable

R: Relevant

T: Time-bound

An example of SMART goal for a Content creator would be,

Increase daily Website traffic by 20% within the next 30 days.

#### 2. Nail down the Targeting



Digital Marketing provides a varied range of Targeting options like Device targeting, Geofencing, Interest, Digital Behaviour, Language, Life events, etc.

Targeting impacts both your marketing budget and your conversion rates. Too broad and your Conversion rate decreases and spending increases. Too narrow and you miss out potential customers.

#### 3. A/B Testing

Digital marketing takes a lot of guesswork out of Marketing.

If there isn't enough data on what type of Communication strategy will work on what type of customer, you can run an A/B test on 10% of the audience and make data-driven decisions.



#### 4. Measure and Optimize



As soon as you push a Digital campaign live, you start seeing its performance data. This is helpful in two different ways. First, it helps you optimize all your future campaigns. Second, it guides you on how to tweak the live campaign to get better results.

For instance, if you're running a campaign ahead of valentine's day for Women's bags and you've targeted both men and women and you see that Conversion rate amongst men is way lower than women, you can choose to target only women. That way your budget is optimized and overall conversion rate increases.

#### 5. Personalization

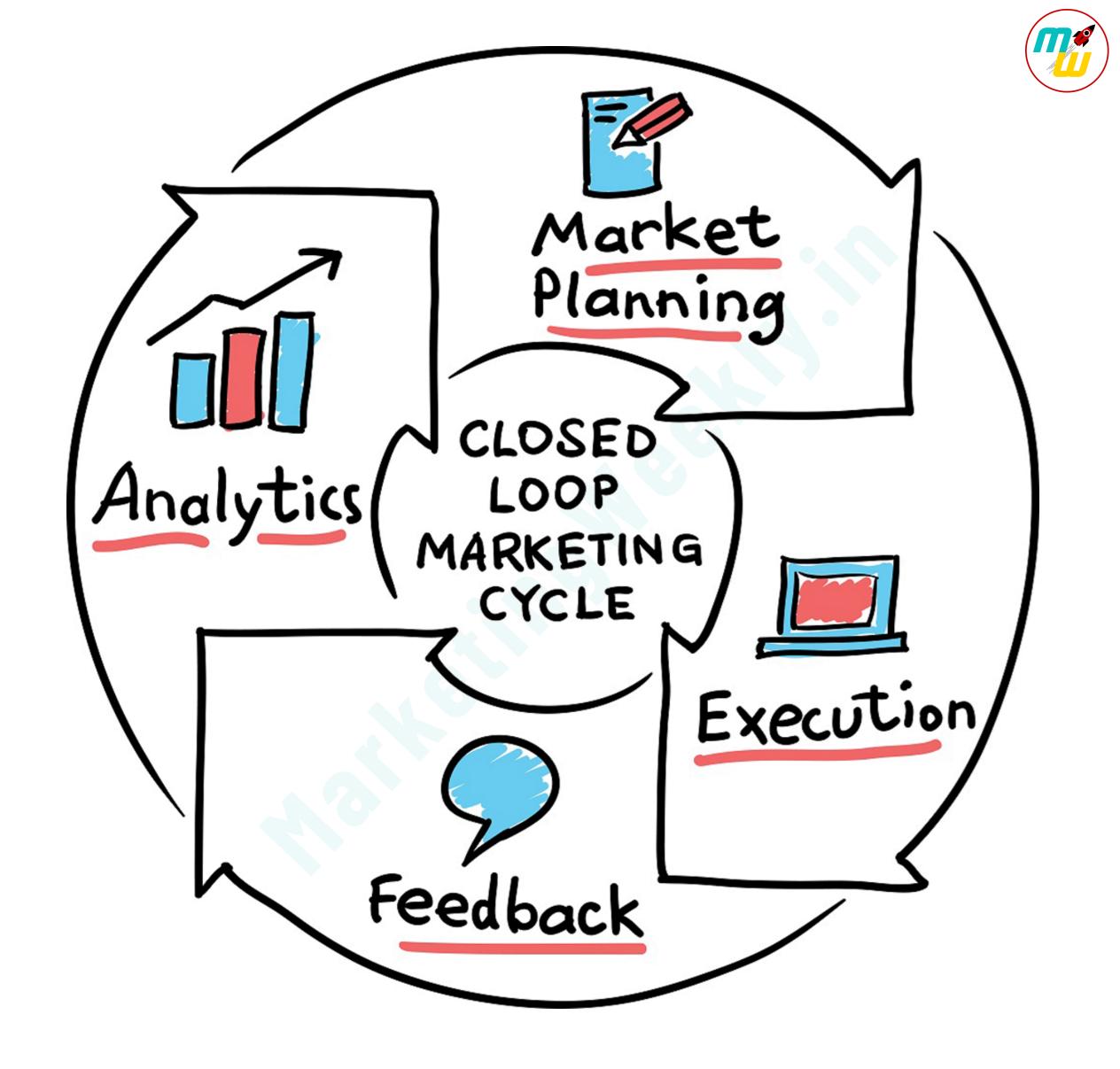
Many people prefer going to their local grocery store as they get personal treatment in that shop. The shopkeeper knows them and knows what they want.

Personalization principles extend in the digital world as well.

This could be Demography, Geography, behavior-based personalization or can also be even granular, User-based personalization.

A snapshot of an Amazon Home page. It shows products based on our browsing behavior.





#### **CLOSED-LOOP MARKETING**



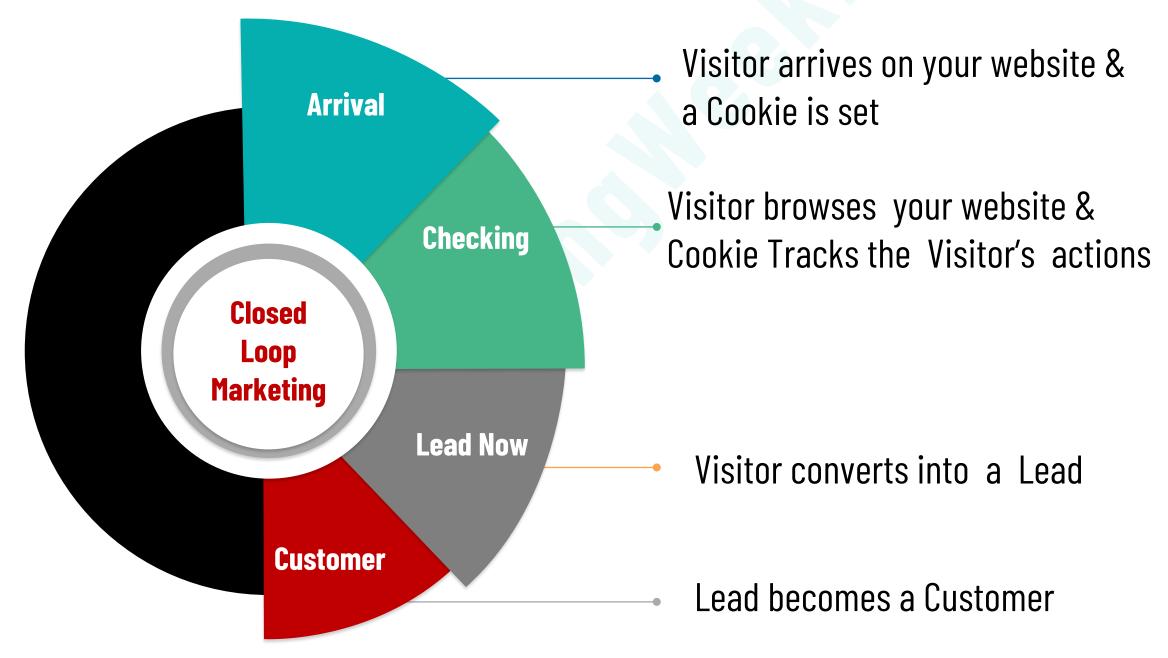
An effective technique of collecting and analyzing customer data from multiple channels.

Tracks a customer's entire lifecycle, thus closing the loop between sales, marketing and customer service efforts.

For instance, a potential customer visits a website that installs a cookie.

The cookie registers the actions that the customer performs.

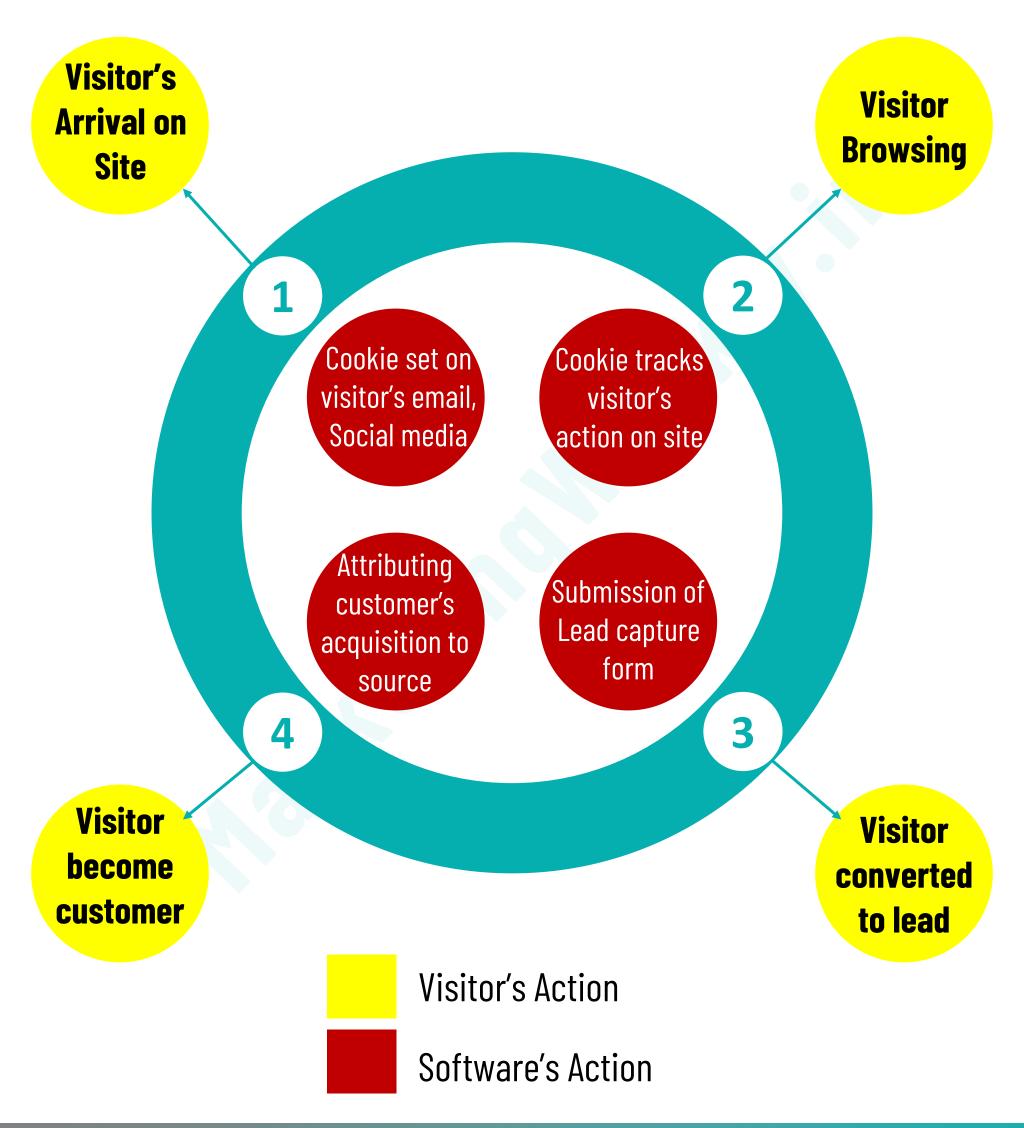
Now the behavior of the user can be tracked to send them tailor-made offers.



To sum up, you drop a cookie on a visitor, follow them around on their journey, and get a pretty picture of the process of becoming a customer.

#### Visualizing Closed-Loop Marketing:





#### Why to do closed-loop marketing?





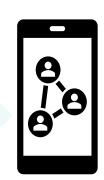
## E-commerce



#### What is E-commerce?



E-commerce, also known as electronic commerce or internet commerce, refers to the buying and selling of goods or services using the internet, and the transfer of money and data to execute these transactions.





E-commerce has now become so ubiquitous that one can say that almost everyone on the planet with an internet connection has derived some benefit from an e-commerce service. Amazon, Flipkart, Swiggy and Zomato are household names now.

E-commerce sales are poised to reach \$10 trillion globally. Nasdaq has predicted that by 2040, as much as 95% of shopping will be facilitated by E-commerce. We got a glimpse of this during the lockdown, when e-commerce helped the population buy essential things when traditional market shut down. Given this explosive growth and approaching dominance of the electronic mode of commerce, it becomes essential for businesses to leverage the offerings at hand and drive growth.

Interesting Read: Helping Brick and Mortar store set up online shop

#### **E-commerce vs E-Business**



To leverage E-commerce, we must first understand it. E-commerce is different from E-business. While E-business refers to all the aspects of operating a business online, while e-commerce refers to the transaction of goods and service. The first thought for any business wanting to embrace the digital must be whether to become an e-business or leverage e-commerce to grow.





















Once that decision is made, we must look at all the e-commerce offerings available. It is a common misconception to think of e-commerce as nothing but what Amazon and Flipkart does.































But there is a multiple offerings of offerings apart from these online marketplaces. Zomato, UrbanCompany, 1MG, Razorpay, Shopify, OLX, Policy Bazaar, MakeMyTrip and MyJio are all e-commerce offerings.

Whenever we are transacting digitally, we are utilizing e-commerce, and this digital transaction makes a host of functions and customer bases available to businesses.

#### **MODELS OF E-COMMERCE**



Transactions that happen between a business and a consumer. Example: - Buying shoes for personal use from a retailer on Amazon.

C2A encompasses all electronic transactions between individuals and public administration.

Example: - Filing tax returns on Government portals.

Consumer (B2C).

Business-to-Consumer (B2C).

Business-to-Business (B2B)

**Commerce** 

Consumer-

to-

**Consumer** 

(C2C)

Sales made between two businesses, such as a manufacturer and a wholesaler. Example: - A shopkeeper buying his inventory of smartphones in bulk from Udaan

Transactions made between online businesses and administrations. Example: - A government Institution buying a software solution from Accela.

Administration (B2A)

ConsumertotoBusiness
(C2B)

**Business-**

to-

Sale of products or services between consumers. Example: - Buying or selling used products on OLX.

A reversal of the traditional B2C model, here businesses buy goods and services from individual consumers. Example: - iStockPhoto, where photographers make their work available for sale.

#### **E-COMMERCE TIMELINE**



1969- The first major ecommerce company, CompuServe, is founded.

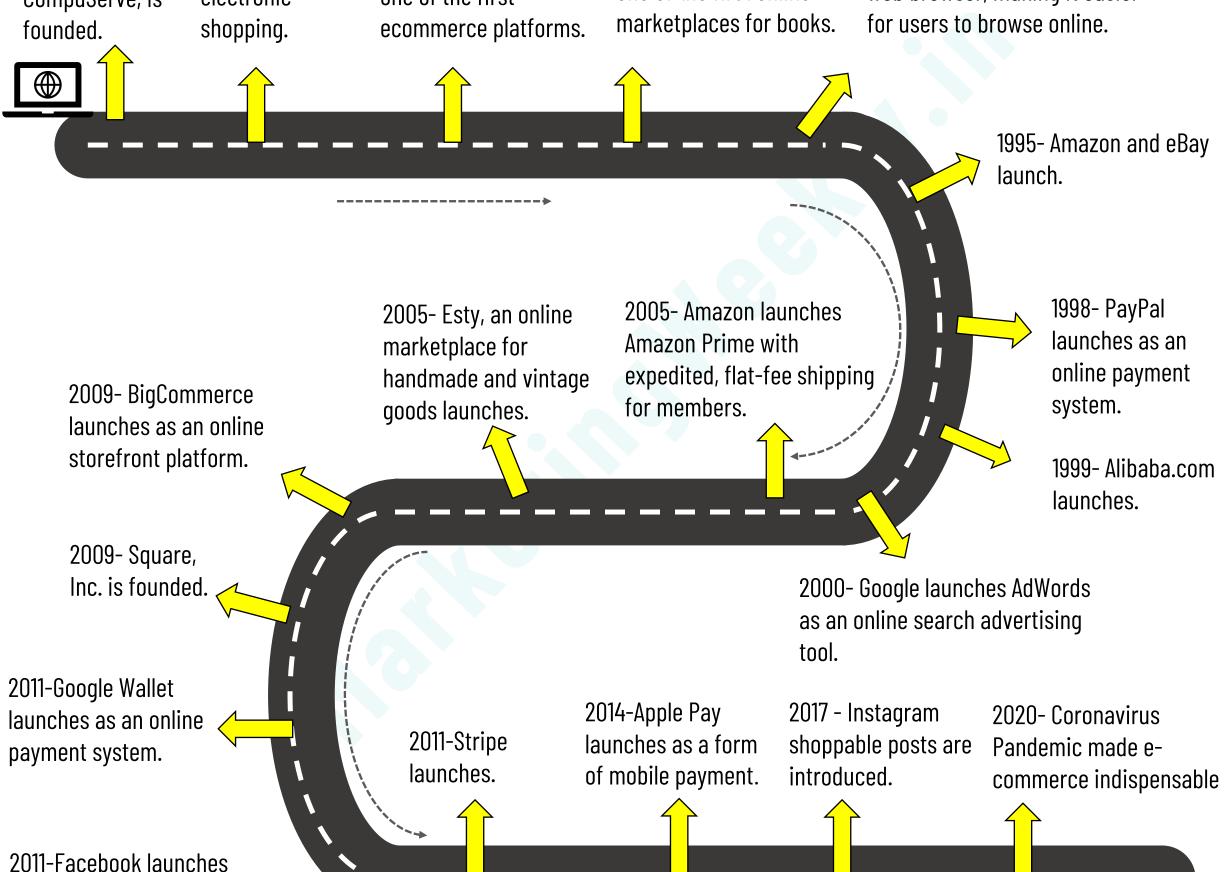
sponsored stories as a form

of early advertising.

1979-Michael Aldrich invents electronic shopping.

1982-Boston Computer Exchange launches as one of the first ecommerce platforms. 1992-Book Stacks
Unlimited launches as
one of the first online
marketplaces for books.

1994-Netscape launches Netscape Navigator, an early web browser, making it easier for users to browse online.



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#### What is a startup?



A startup is a business idea converted into a prototype on generally a small scale by one or more entrepreneurs in order to provide an innovative product, service, or a better solution to an existing problem.

These business entities are generally motivated by the problems of the end-users or in order to ease a task for the customers.

Funding for such startups can be gathered from personal investments, or angel investors, seed capital, etc. As it is taking its baby steps, it is in constant requirement of funding, new marketing campaigns, and strategies in order to increase its brand identity.

One of the biggest challenges faced by startups is making the services and/or products offered the familiar in the market place and build trust among customers.

Usually, people perceive startups to be a risky investment as they have a higher probability of failure as compared to a grown business unit. But this is not true from the perspective of an angel investor and these are the people who stand with such young entrepreneurs to promote their startups.

It is also evident that the founders in the startup ecosystem generally tend to do a lot of stuff themselves in order to reduce the human resource expenditure.

The people engaged in a startup have to cater to different areas like ideation, product development, business value proposition, marketing business strategies, campaign management, social media marketing, analytics for the response on the campaigns, and other interactive mediums so as to connect with potential investors or customers.

Generally, the core team involved in a startup are closely related or connected to each other either through the place of study, stay, or work.

































Interesting Read: The Story of TikTok



## HOW TO START A START-UP











live in the future, ahead of your time

what is missing in the world?

write it down and bounce ideas around

make a prototype

**show** the prototype to 100 people



launch - let everyone know you have made something



look for funding and build version one at the same time



register your C-corp, split equity



find a **co-founder** 



iterate on the prototype until it makes sense



follow up with users. Are they coming back?



yes, they are coming back

1,000

get to 1,000 users





grow 5% a week (hard, but proven possible)







success

no they come

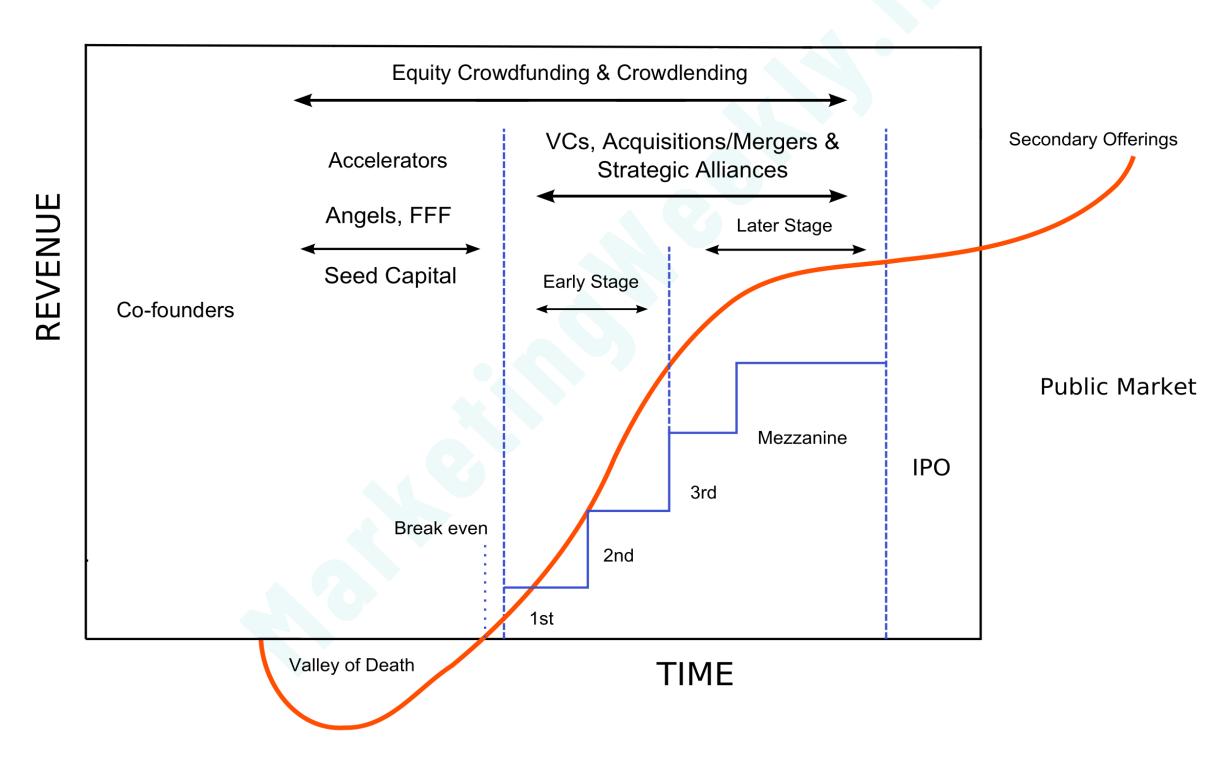
launch again (after iterating) launch until users stay (AirBnB launched 3 times)

FAT Funders and Founders

Source: https://notes.fundersandfounders.com/



#### **Startup Financing Cycle**



Source: Venture Capitalist

#### **Examples of Startups:**





- Founded by Gaurav Munjal, Hemesh Singh and Roman Saini in 2015.
- A very engaging and impactful educational platform, that has democratized the learning, unites students aspiring to clear the competitive exams, with the topnotch educators.
- It has helped many exam aspirants from **Tier II** and **Tier III cities** making it the most inclusive learning platform ever.
- It has seen a massive growth recently, now looks to on-board maximum subscribers and increase its category portfolio. It has come up with inspirational sessions of #LegendsOnUnacademy which has witnessed bright minds from different industries worldwide.
- It has recently raised \$110Mn in its series E investment and is now valued at \$510Mn.
- The future of digital learning and virtual imparting of knowledge is here and Unacademy is already high up the ladder marking a position for itself in the future.





- Founded in 2017 by Amit Gupta, RK Misra, Naveen Dachuri & Hemant Kumar.
- A convenient and environment friendly bike ride amidst the bustling city environment, has been very helpful for the people in Tech Hubs.
- It employs Al and IOT technology to create a vast network of dockless bikes available to people.
- With a strategic partnership with Bajaj Auto, it aspires to reduce the air pollution and the traffic congestion in the cities by rolling out maximum bikes on rents in major cities of the country.
- The journey of the company began with Bangalore, the IT Hub of the country and now is in plans to move its services across to Mumbai and Delhi.





- What started as a brainchild of **Mukesh Bhansal** and **Ankit Nagotri** in 2016, to provide over all health care ecosystem on an app, stands true to its vision today.
- The idea incubated out of a small office in Bangalore has now reached the door steps of millions across the country in various cities through its virtual workout sessions on its app.
- It operates both offline and online with four verticals, **CultFit** (Fitness centers); **MindFit** (Mental Wellness); **CareFit** (Health care Clinics); **EatFit** (Healthy customized Food Restaurant and delivery services).
- The Startup raised a hefty sum of investment even before its app was launched. It has been endorsed by celebrities from various segments of popularity.
- The company has made sure that they are synonymous with the word "Healthy" in the country. The journey is very inspiring for the fact that it has created for itself a space that would have never been realized by the users otherwise.
- The current valuation of the company stands at Rs 5,490 crore (\$732 million), after its last round of Investments.





#### **Space Exploration Technologies**

- The company as a concept kept moving its pace because of the mastermind behind its success, Elon Musk. His vision for future and his very hardworking nature paved a strong path in this journey.
- SpaceX marketed Dragon 2 positioned its landmark as the most revolutionary Human insights into Space studies, when it recently launched two astronauts into space. That day, very significantly embarks the journey towards future.
- This started as an offshoot to the idea of Musk to launch an experimental
  greenhouse miniatures with hydrogel packed seeds to test the growth of plants on
  Martian Soil, otherwise known as "Mars Oasis". It struck to Musk that without a
  groundbreaking invention in the rocket manufacturing engineering, the mars life
  would remain a distant dream, that marks the birth of SpaceX.
- Over the years, Musk has brought in various strategic ventures, technology partnerships to fuel the Startup like the ones including NASA.
- SpaceX is privately funded company, with a few investments from the government institutions to give a form to its Products and technologies.





- An innovative and convenient platform that is dedicated to connect the travelers to various options of accommodation that enriches their experience and makes the stay very memorable.
- What started as an experiment by two designers has now risen to a concept that is alluring and enriching experience among the people of the world. It is the most applauded Unicorn of the Y Combinator.
- From just renting a room in 2007, to a house in 2008, it emerged as a synonym to not just holiday accommodation booking but also for corporate travel, which is the new segment of innovation in the company.
- Their Marketing strategy, "Forget Hotels" and positioning has inscribed the brand's presence in not just US but across the World.
- Not just on a consumer end, but on the provider's end as well it has created and monetized the value for its users.

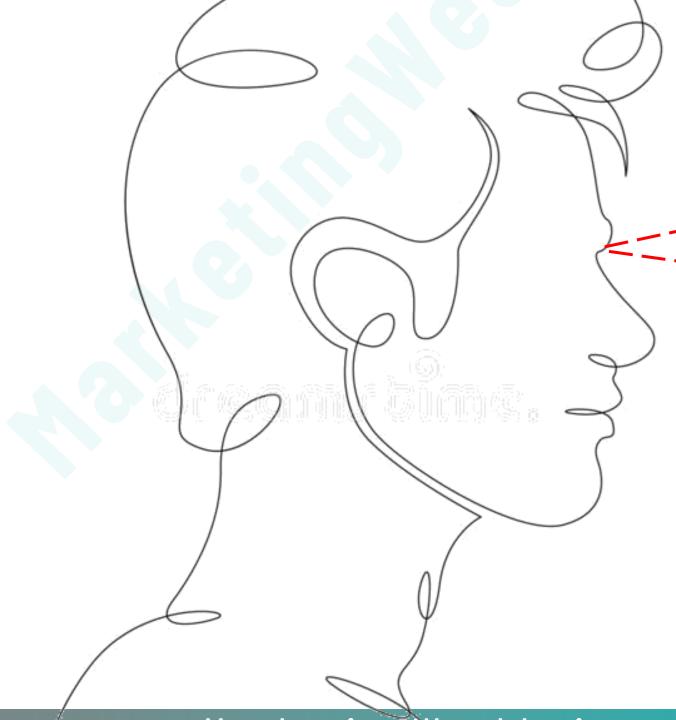


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# PEOPLE

Are just like BRANDS



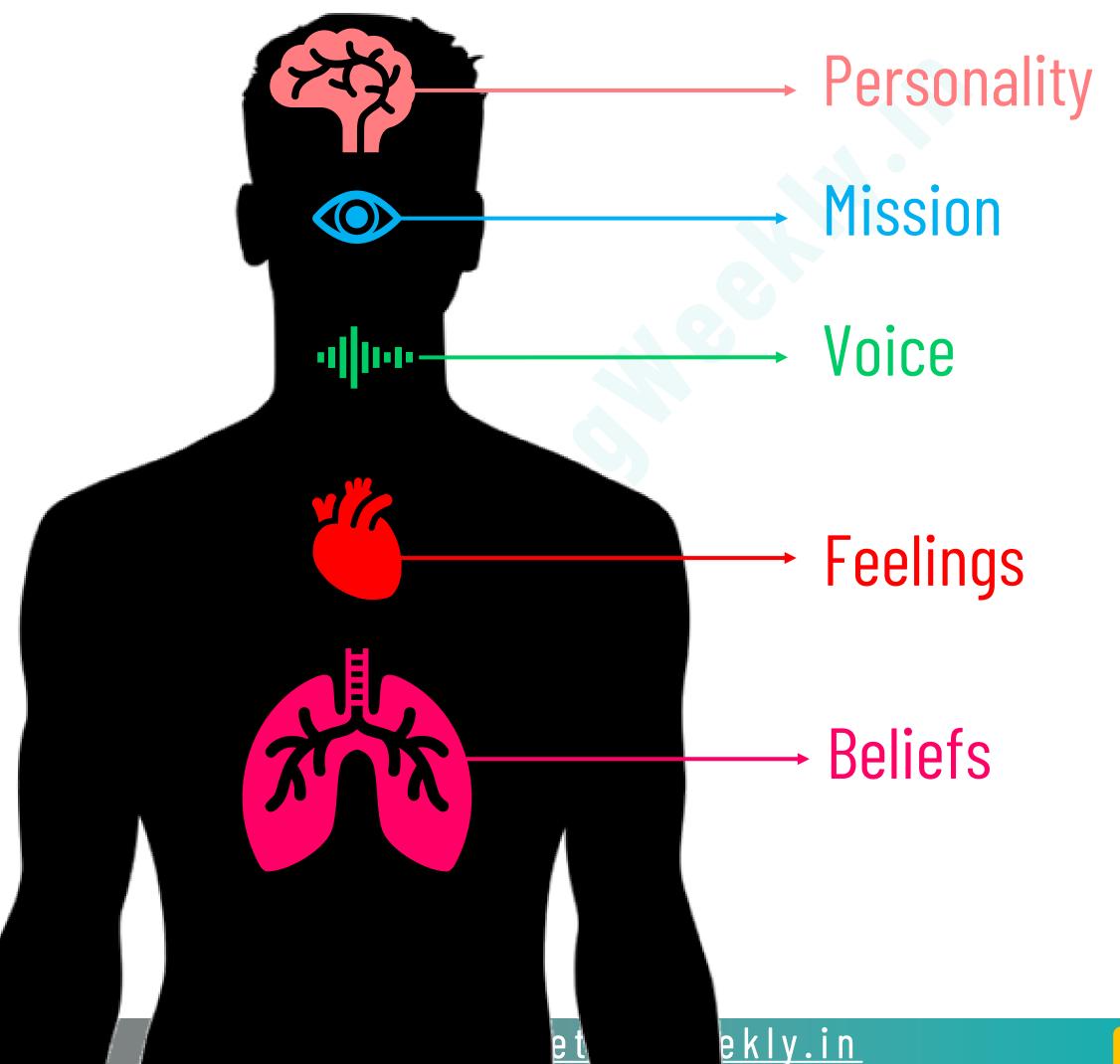
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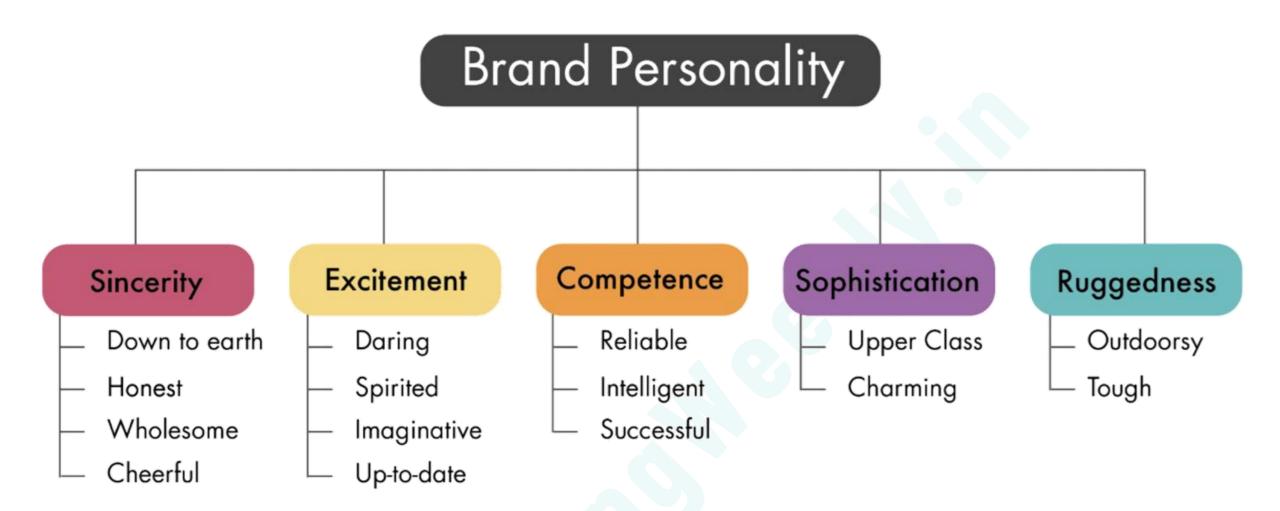
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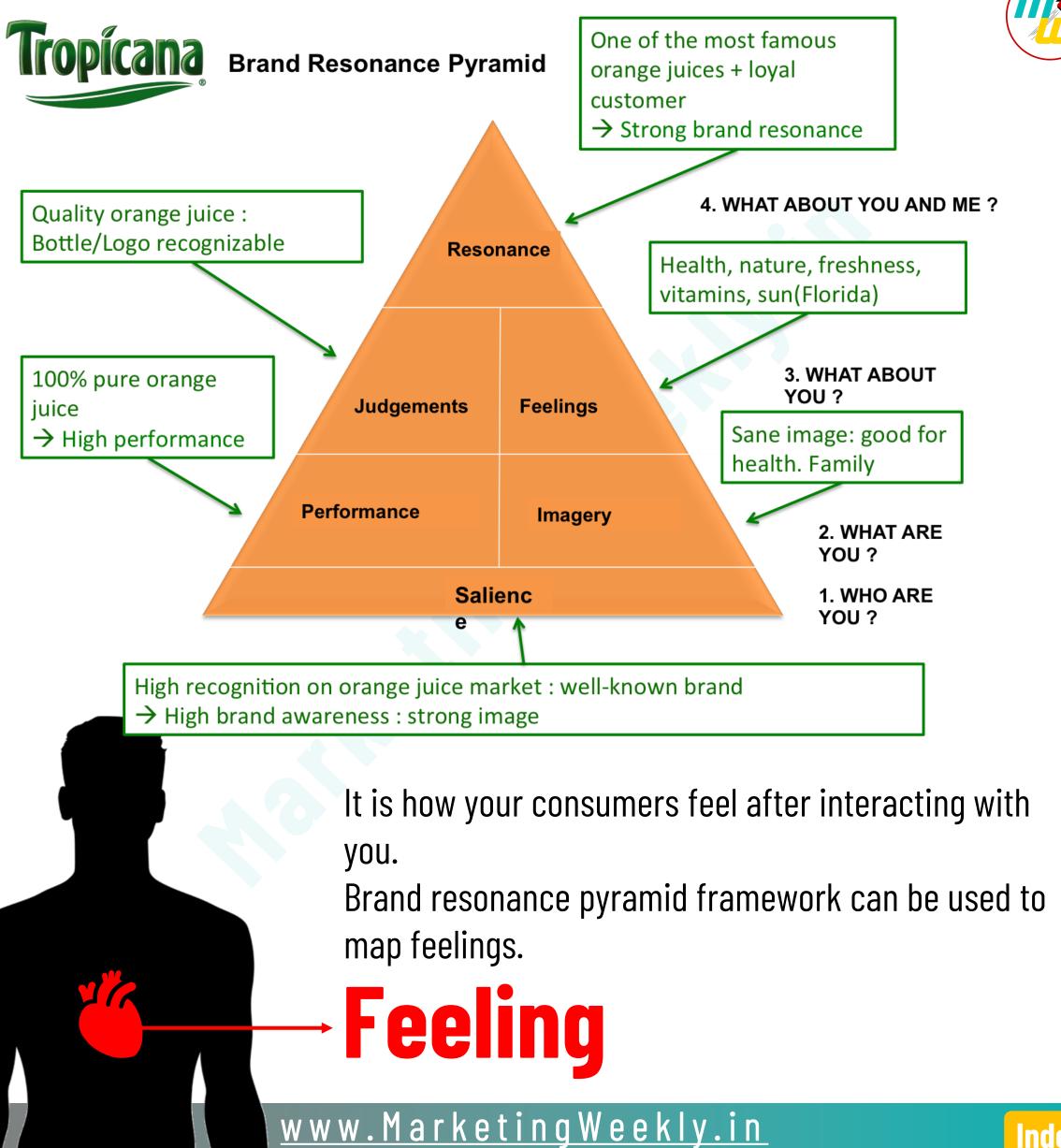
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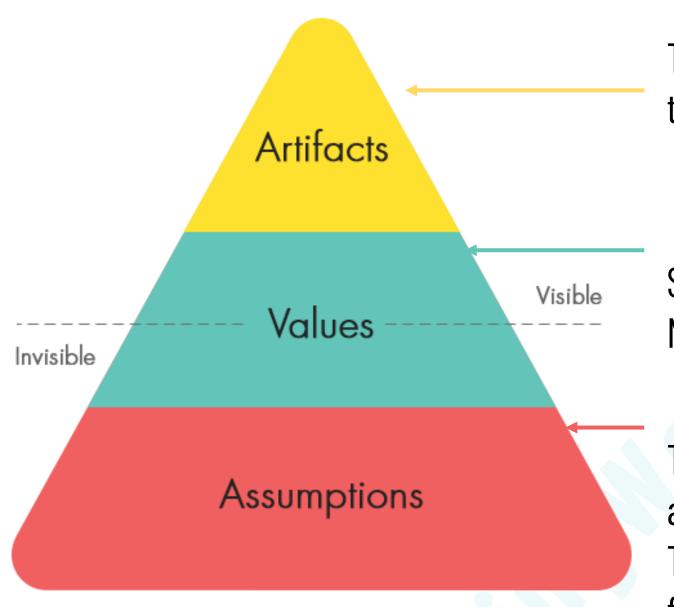








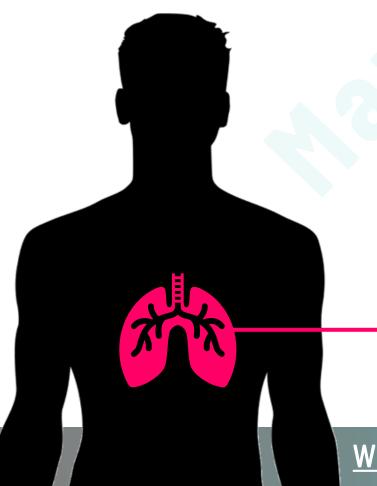




Things you can see such as food, technology, and visible patterns.

Strategies, Goals, and Philosophy. Not that easy to visualize.

Taken-for-granted, Invisible assumptions, relationship, etc.
These are very difficult to see but felt internally.



What does your company believe in? It is an internal matter which only employees can feel.

Belief



#### **Brand Voice Chart**

Voice Characteristics	Description	Do	Don't
Passionate	We're passionate about changing the way the world works	<ul><li>Use strong verbs</li><li>Be champions for (industry)</li><li>Be cheerleaders</li></ul>	<ul><li>Be lukewarm, wishy-washy</li><li>Use passive voice</li></ul>
Quirky	We're Not afraid to challenge the status quo and be ourselves	<ul><li>Use unexpected examples</li><li>Take the contrarian view</li><li>Express yourself</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Use too much slang or obscure references</li> <li>Use overplayed examples</li> <li>Lose sight of the audience and core message</li> </ul>
Irreverent	We take our product seriously; we don't take ourselves seriously	<ul><li>Be playful</li><li>Use colorful illustrations or examples</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Be too casual</li> <li>Use too many obscure pop-culture examples</li> </ul>
Authentic	We're going to give you the tools and insight you need to make your job easier. That may not always be through our product.	<ul> <li>Be honest and direct</li> <li>Stick to your word</li> <li>Own any issues or mistakes, and show how you will address them</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Use marketing jargon</li> <li>Over promise</li> <li>Over sell the product's capabilities</li> </ul>



It is simply the way your brand communication works while talking with your consumers.

# What is a



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# What it is?

A brand audit is a checkup that evaluates your brand's **position** in the marketplace, its **strengths** and **weaknesses**, and how to strengthen it.

#### A process to discover its source of brand equity



# When to Perform an Audit?

A loss in revenue, profitability or loss of customers to competition!



# When to Perform an Audit?

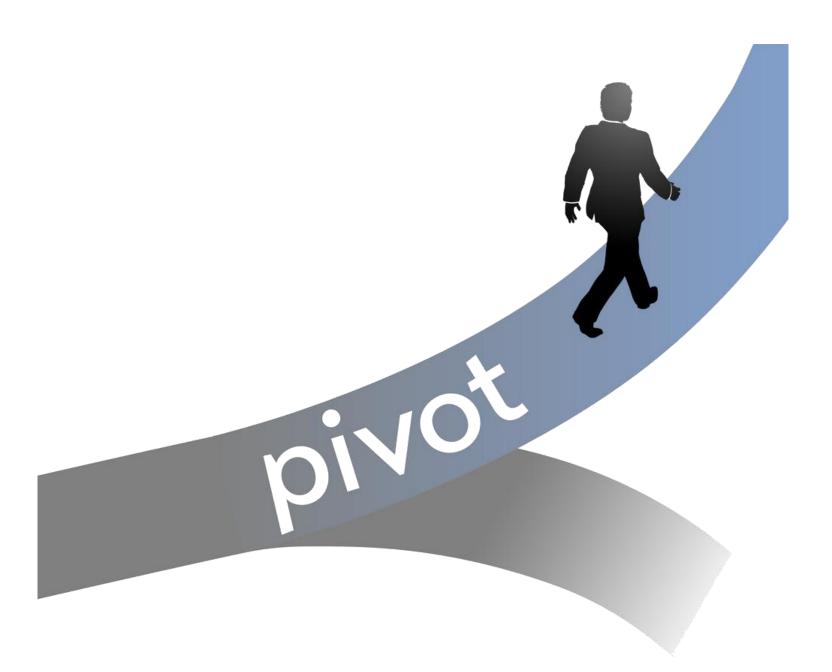
Loss of Visibility of Search Engine or reduction in website traffic!





# When to Perform an Audit?

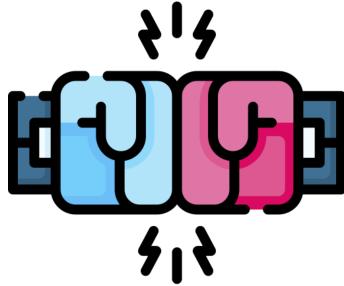
Big Change in Business objectives/Priorities!





# What to Focus in Brand Audit?

Competition: Where does your brand stand against competition?



Market: How is the market evolving/changing?





# What to Focus in Brand Audit?

Customers: Where are your customers' wants & needs?



Alignment: How well your brand is aligned with customer's desires & future opportunities?



# 3-Circle Model of-Brand Audit

**Brand's Strength** 

Your point \
of difference

**Customers Need** 

(unsatisfied Needs)

Point of Parity

competitors unique to

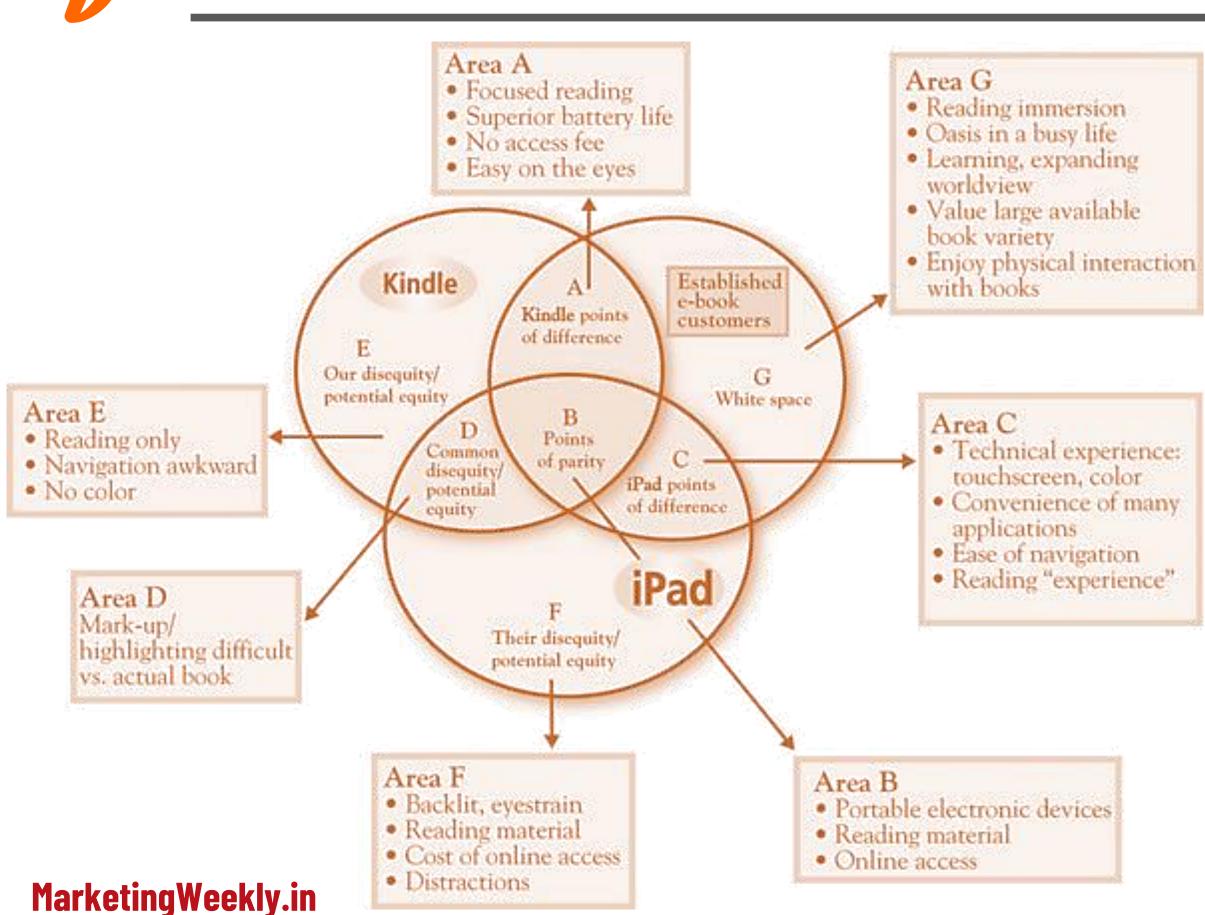
Competitor's strength

(Future Plans/Projects)

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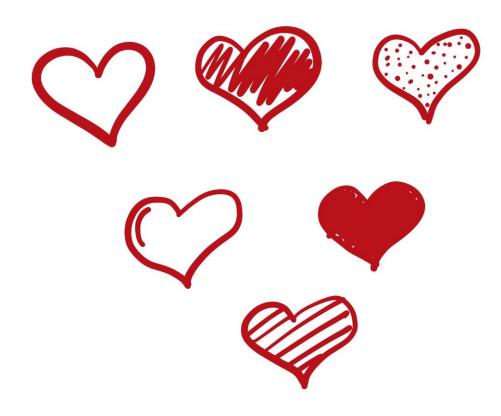


# 3-Circle Model of-iPad Vs Kindle



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# Annexute 7: Must have information sources.

#### **Corporate Information**

- Company vision, mission and value statement
- Financial performance and trends
- Customer service records
- Patents and other Intellectual property

#### **Industry Information**

- Third party research about competitors
- Company's own internal research

#### **Marketing Information**

- Current and past advertising records of your brand and that of competitors
- Social media reports and metrics



# Auncounte 2:

# Brand Audit Framework.

#### **Brand Assessment**

#### **Situation Analysis**

(Interview top management)

#### **Finding:**

- Strategy, Mission & Vision
- Strengths & Weaknesses
- Key success Factors
- Resources & Capabilities

#### **Competitive Analysis**

(Research & interview top management of the company)

#### **Finding:**

- Competitive Landscape
- Competitive challenges
- Industry Trends

#### **Internal Analysis**

(Interview key customer-facing personnel)

#### **Finding:**

- Understanding of company's Vision
- Relationship with company
- Internal Assumptions

#### **External Analysis**

(Interview Clients)

#### **Finding:**

- Awareness
- Perceived Quality
- Association & Personality
- Loyalty

# Power of Hyperbolic Discounting in Marketing

Why do we value immediate rewards more than long-term rewards?



Find out how marketers make use of your weakness.

## What is Hyperbolic Discounting?



Hyperbolic discounting happens when people show a <u>preference for a reward that arrives</u> **sooner** rather than **later**.

**Option 1:** Get 100 Rs. Today



Option 2: Get 120 Rs. Next Week



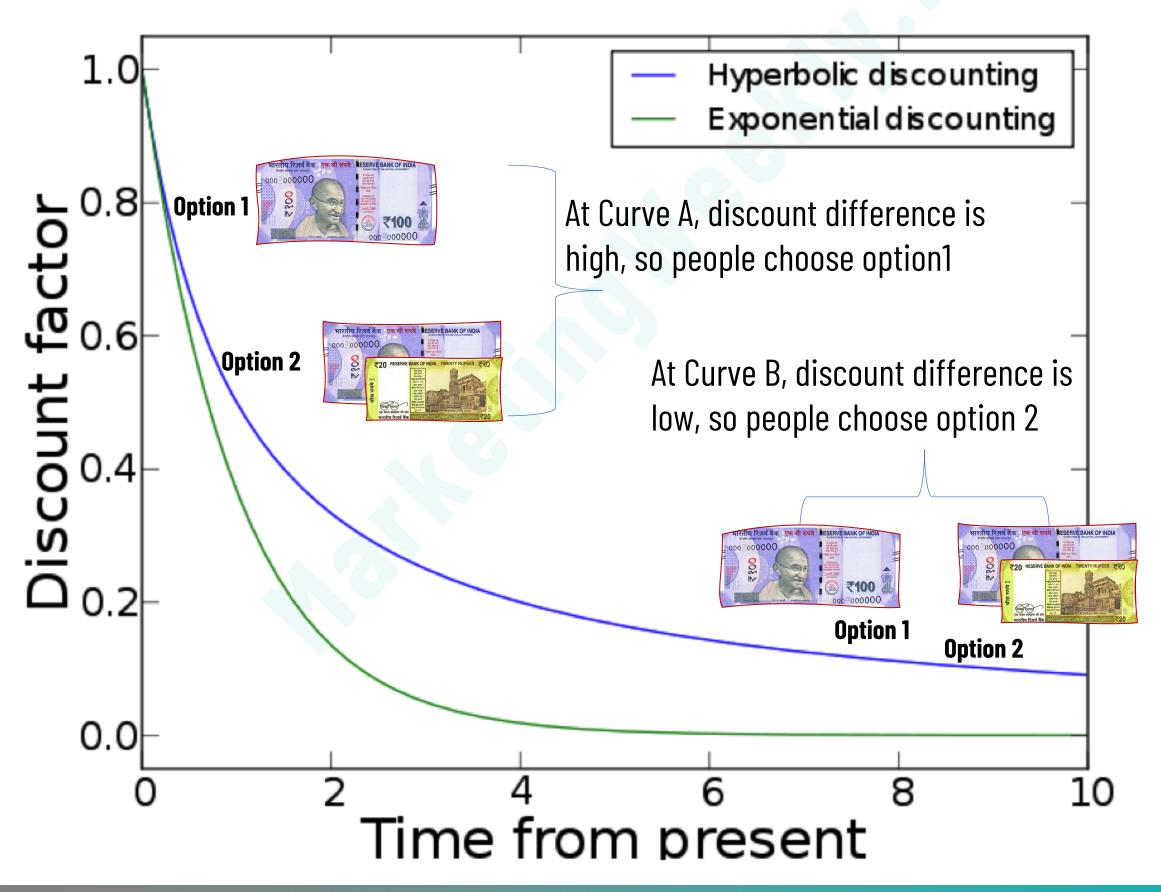
Hyperbolic discounting is a **cognitive bias**, where people choose smaller, immediate rewards rather than larger, later rewards — and this occurs more when the delay is closer to the present than the future.

In Above case, most of you will choose Option 1 over Option 2

#### Add a little time & your preference will change



Curve A is the case of previous slide. Curve B says you will get 100 Rs. in a year or 120 Rs. In 1 year + 1 week. Here wait time is same in both cases but somehow **now people are okay to wait for 1 more week to get 120 Rs.** 





# How companies take advantage of this primal cognitive bias?

**Immediacy:** They know consumers value "Right Now". This psychological (Primal) instinct of instant gratification is the building block of companies Go-to-marketing strategy

#### Tactic 1: No-cost EMIs by Ecommerce



The Idea of *not paying now + no interests kick dopamine* in consumers. As a consumer, <u>you don't care about the pricing as long as you don't have to pay now</u>. Here You just became the victim of Hyperbolic discounting!

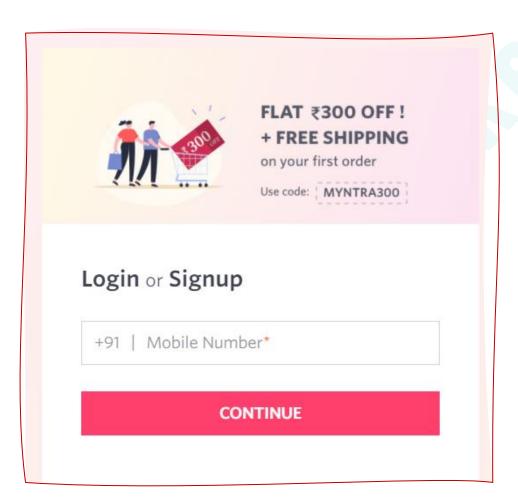
#### Tactic 2: Welcome Bonus (First Order Discount)





In Hyperbolic Discounting, timing is everything that's why it is known as **Temporal Discounting.** 

#### Consumers act willingly if they are rewarded immediately.



Here I have given two examples, first one (above) is of **rummycircle** where signing bonus of Rs. 2000 (not redeemable) is awarded. This lures in players.

While the second example is of **Myntra** where you will get Rs. 300 off + Free shipping. This will tempt user to sign-up & do their first purchase.

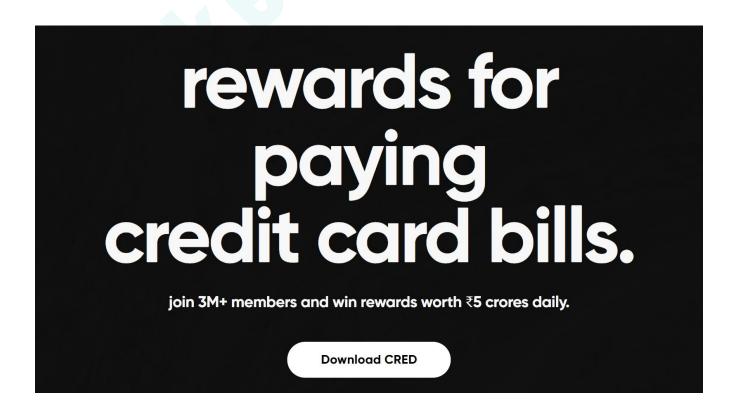
#### Tactic 3: Cashbacks (also loyalty points)



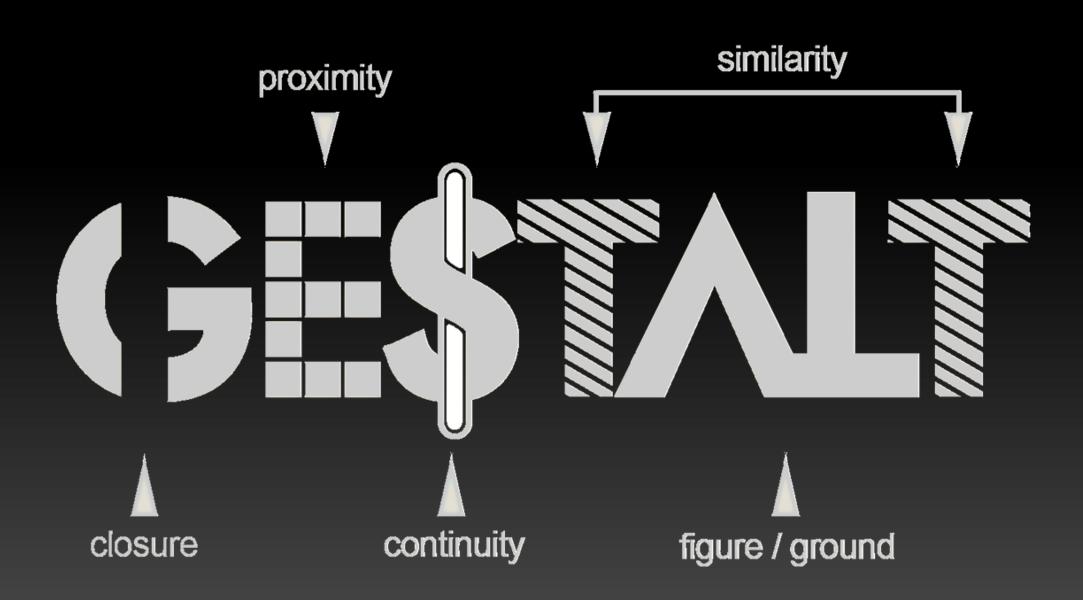


Today Ecommerce players are extensively using Hyperbolic discounting to gave instant cashbacks & loyalty point.

Take above example of Paytm, here the allure of getting 100% cashback (means free) bill payment creates automatic response from consumers



#### What is Gestalt theory, that is so prevalent in modern Brand Logo







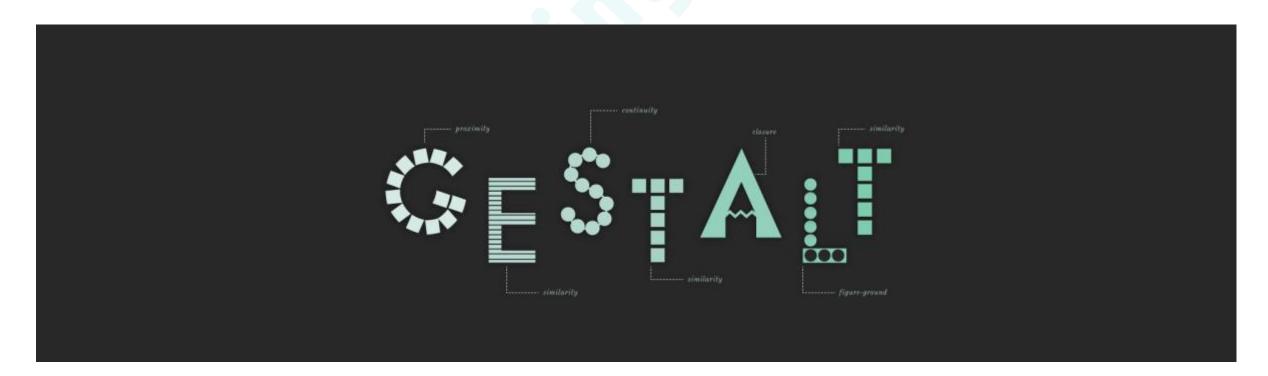


# WHAT IS GESTALT THEORY?

**Gestalt psychology** is a visual perception theory that tries to explain the way our minds navigate the chaotic world to make meaningful conclusions.

The essence of Gestalt is that "the whole is other than the sum of its parts."

This essence here implies our perception of the whole can be created independently of its parts.





# The Gestalt's Principle

#### **PROXIMITY**

When different elements are laid out close to each other, they are perceived to be belonging to the same group.

#### **CLOSURE**

Reification or closure refers to making something concrete, bringing something into being, or making something real.

#### CONTINUITY

Elements which are aligned with each other are perceived as visually associated.

#### SIMILARITY

Objects with shared visual characteristics are automatically taken to be related.

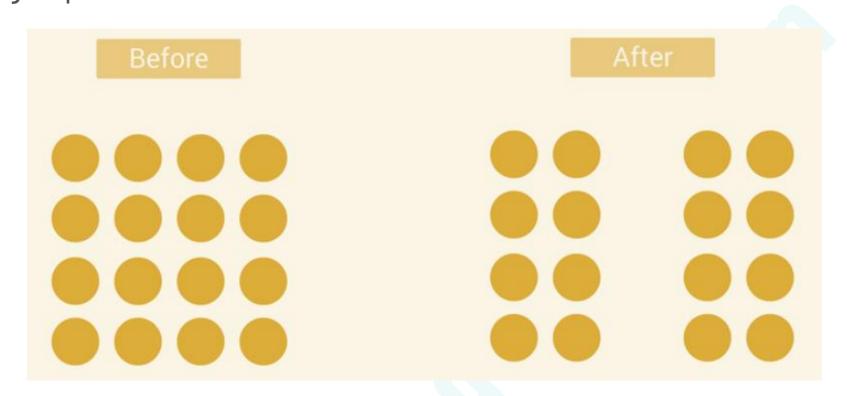
#### **MULTI-STABILITY**

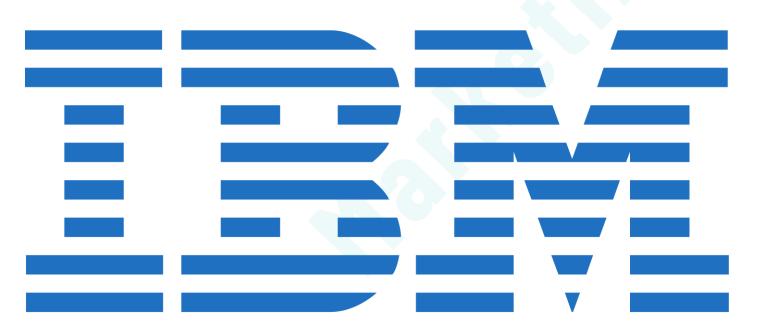
Multi-stability is the ability of our eyes to see two different things within a single image or design..

#### 1.PROXIMITY



When different elements are laid out close to each other, they are perceived to be belonging to the same group







### 2.CLOSURE



This law tells us that our brains usually associate disconnected elements with forms we already know. This means that our brains also tend to complete missing links without being asked to.







#### **3.SIMILARITY**



Objects with shared visual characteristics are automatically taken to be related. The more alike they appear, the more likely they are to be construed as belonging to a group. Similarity is not derived from what an object is, but what it looks like.

Based on Shape Based on Size Before Before After After microsystems



#### 4.MULTI-STABILITY

Multi-stability is the ability of our eyes to see two different things. When looking at an image, a viewer can have different experiences simultaneously, since there are myriad

interpretations being triggered.









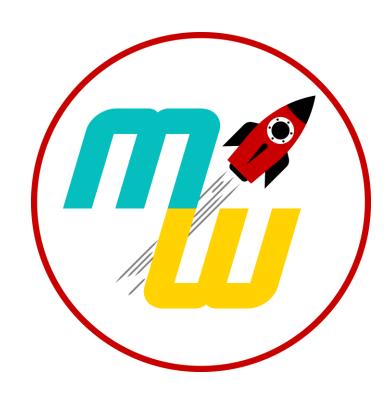




Elements which are aligned with each other are visually associated. For instance, lines are perceived as a single figure as far as they are continuous. The smoother their segments, the higher the chances of being perceived as a unified shape







Find which Principle of GESTALT you can see in Marketing Weekly's Logo?



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#### Psychology behind purchasing decision of consumers



# The Learning theories



Marketers use the concept of **learning theories** to influence consumer buying behavior. Learning forms the base of **perception** and of consumer's **motivation** to buy a certain product.

Classical Conditioning

Reinforcement (positive, negative)

Punishment (positive, negative)

# What is classical conditioning?



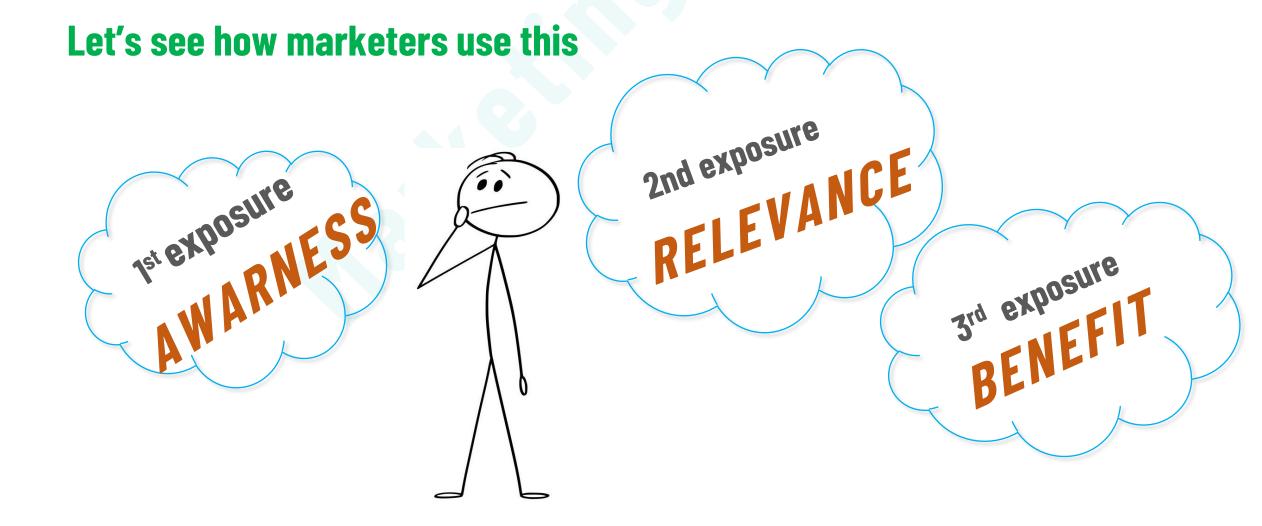
Do you still feel obnoxious at the sight of the food you once had an unpleasant experience?



Yes?

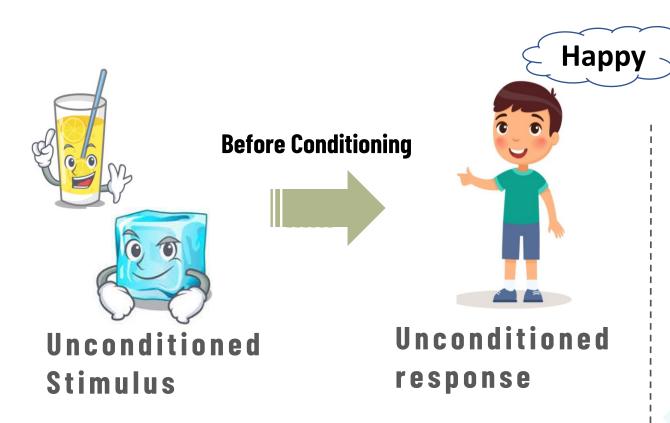
Well, this is a perfect example of classical conditioning

The theory is based on repeating principle according to which the involuntary responses can be learnt



# Coke and Classical Conditioning

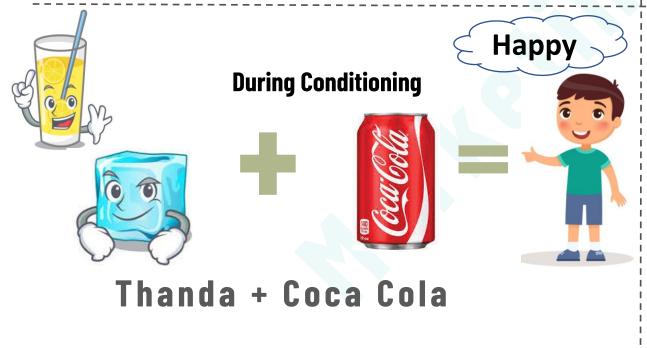


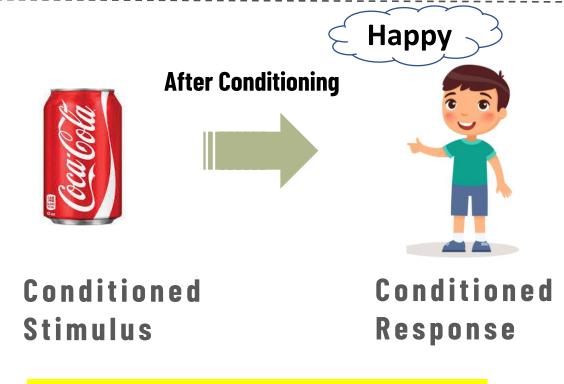


Neutral Stimulus Neutral Response

The word "Thanda" is deep-rooted in Indian society.

The ad campaign used the word to link it with Coca-Cola





As a result, the campaign succeeded in associating 'Coolness' with Coca-Cola

"Thanda Matlab Coca-Cola"

# What is Operant conditioning?



What makes you order food from the same restaurant every time you are hungry?

Yes, the taste of the food and the service
This phenomenon, to choose/reject a product/service after a pleasant/unpleasant experience is known as operant conditioning

Operant conditioning can be the result of **reinforcement or punishment.** Brands mostly use reinforcement as their strategy to motivate consumers





Non-stop

# One person. One cup. A lot to offer



Starbucks offers 'My Starbucks Reward', a loyalty program that provides its customers exclusive rewards which acts as positive reinforcement.

Customers can enjoy free drinks, exclusive early access to Starbucks's newest product, and quick and easy payment with mobile app.





# Wings for free



Red bull's direct marketing, which included giving **cans for free** on streets ensured they attain an enormous consumer base. This is again an example of positive reinforcement.







# Negative reinforcement in Beauty ads

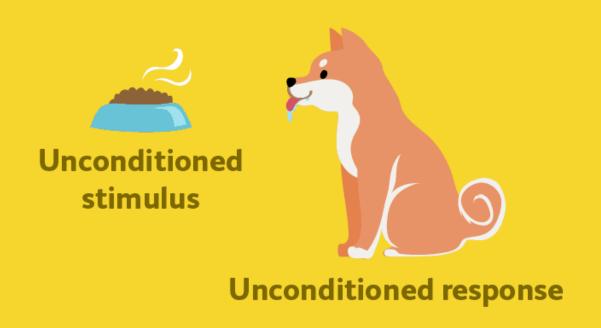
Beauty ads use the concept of **negative reinforcement** to influence consumers.

They claim to lessen the unpleasant effect like ageing or wrinkled skin and provide pleasant effect of flawless glowing skin



# You can train your Dogs too with conditioning!

#### **Before Conditioning**

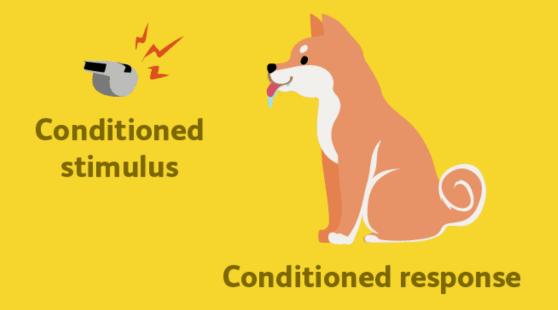




#### **During Conditioning**



#### **After Conditioning**



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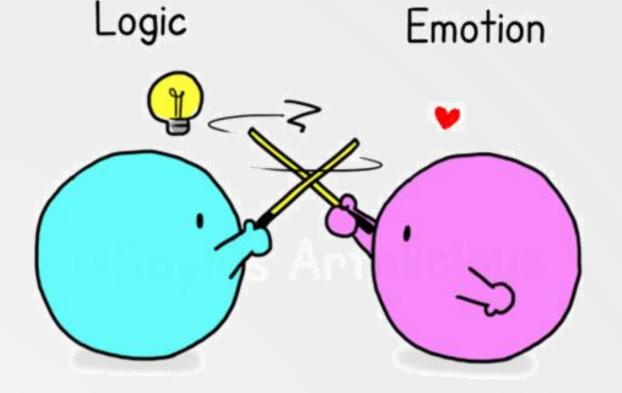
# Psychology of Selling





# What makes us buy something?

☐ Simply speaking, Sales psychology is nothing but understanding the mind of the consumers



☐ Most individuals buy a product only because of an emotional attachment with it and not any logic

To buy or not

to buy?



## A classic Sales Psychology Example



Starbucks created a Sense of Reciprocity

Reciprocity is the act of giving back to someone who has done you a favor.

Starbucks encouraged people to share the hashtag #Tweetacoffee to one of their friends.

In return, the company offered a free cup of coffee to the friend.

The campaign resonated with its audience and helped the company

generate \$180,000 in sales.



# Understanding the buyer Psyche

#### Let's meet Kevin!

When someone tries to sell him something, a new version of Kevin pops up every time



#### Let us understand Kevin's psyche in more detail:

- 1. Quick response means you care about me!
- ✓ When any prospect drops an inquiry on your site, it is advisable to *call within the* next 5 minutes.
- ✓ It creates a solid first impression of your brand







# Understanding the buyer Psyche

#### 2. Respect my time

- ✓ We all designate our time with different tasks.
- ✓ Call prospects at the time when they are really interested in your product





#### 3. Consistent follow-ups is the key

- ✓ Multiple research studies say that 72% of CONSISTENCY calls are never answered.
- ✓ It takes 8 attempts to reach to your prospect.
- ✓ 50% of all sales happen after



5th attempt.

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## Understanding the buyer Psyche

#### 4. I need solution, not excuses!

- ✓ Prospects care only about whether you can solve their problem or not.
- ✓ Prospects are seeking a solution, and you must offer that!





#### 5. More options lead to more confusion.

- ✓ People love options, but that does not mean you should *paralyze prospects with a truckload of options*.
- ✓ Don't create unnecessary confusion.





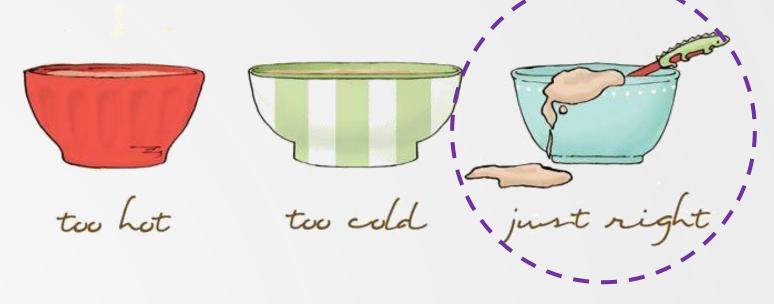
### Goldilocks effect in Sales

When Goldilock discovers three bowls of porridge, she chooses the one that's "not too hot, not too cold, but just right."



Consumer also practice "the Goldilocks effect" all the time while shopping.

They look not for the cheapest or most expensive option but the one that's right in the middle



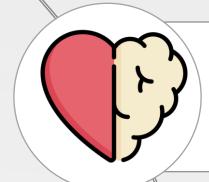
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Let's look at this example from **Dollar Shave Club**It shows three razors, and the choice in the middle is a "member favorite" at a mid-price range.





## Let's Summarize Psychology



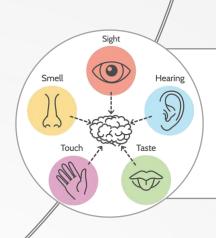
People make decisions emotionally



People are egocentric



Most people follow the crowd



People like to see, hear, touch, taste, or smell before they buy a product

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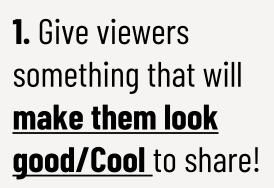
Jon Bond, the man who pioneered guerilla marketing techniques, once said:

"In the Future, Advertising will be like sex. Only losers will pay for it"



## What makes a content VIRAL?





**Provide** 



Social Currency Connect to a <a href="Trigger">Trigger</a>



2. Tap into something that is on <u>Everyone's</u><u>Mind</u> right now.

**3.** Emotions drive people. **Humor surprise** 

<u>Humor, surprise,</u> <u>anger</u> works great.



**4.** Tell a **Great Story** which is easy to share & remember.



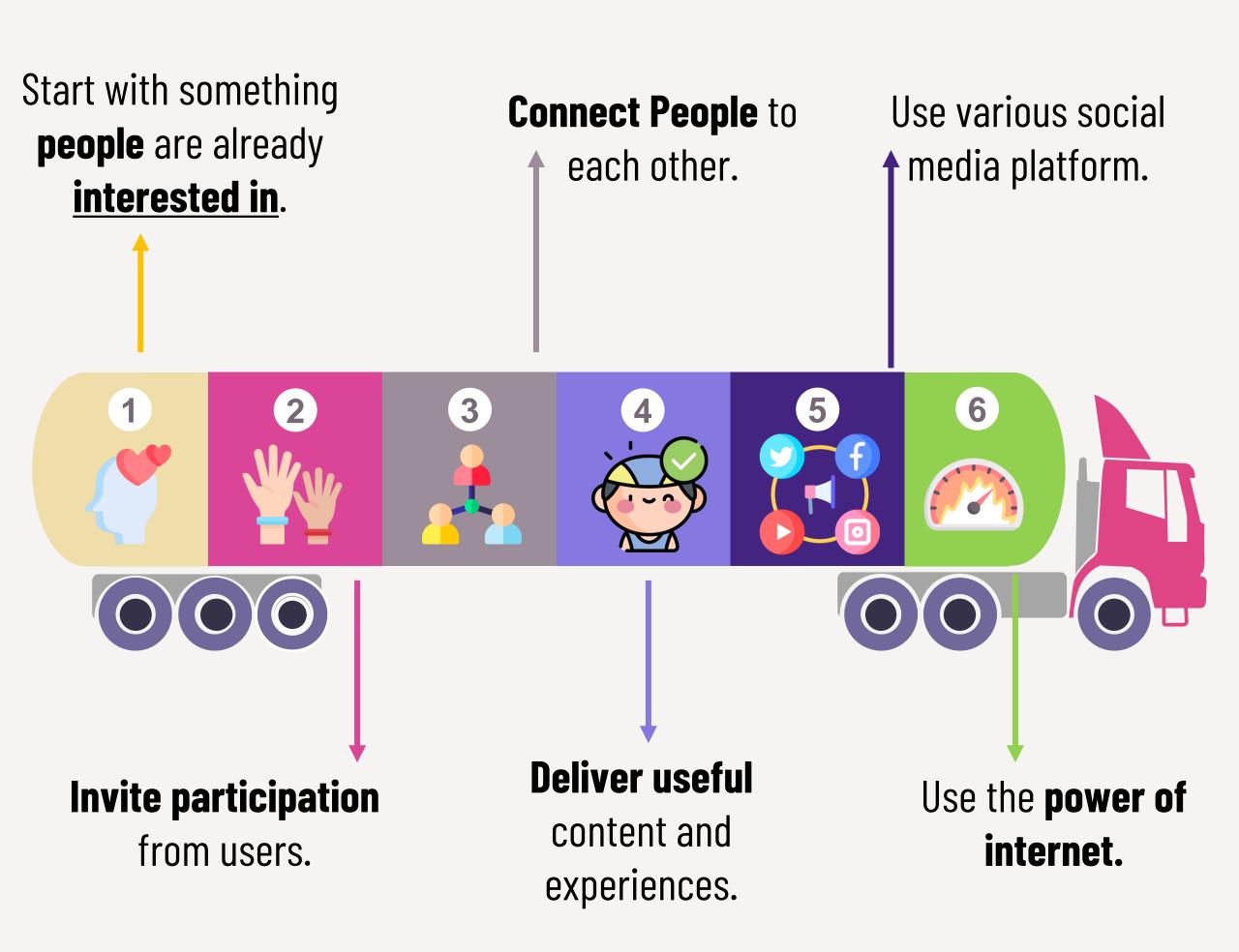
Tap into **Emotions** 







## <u>Create</u> experience that'll generate <u>shareable content</u>







## 1. Start with what people are talking about.

Brands love to talk about themselves. They want to show their cool features and how they are better than competitions. FACT is, nobody give a damn about it.

Talk less about yourself and more about what people are interested in. Check out various trends to see, what is going on.







Be interested in what people are interested in. Compete for their attention on their terms, not yours.



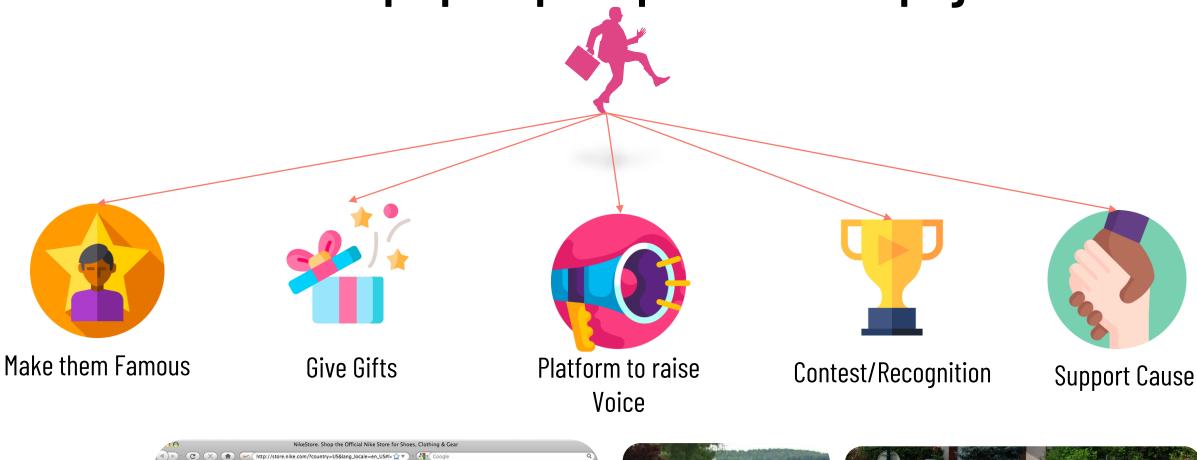


## 2. Invite Participation from Viewers

#### We are a generation of content creators.

We have the urge to create content in the form of Video, tweet, photos and even audio after the onset of podcasting.

Smarter brands make people to participate in their campaign.







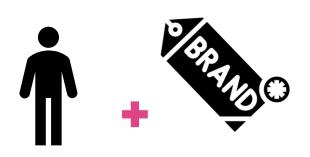


## 3. Connect people to one-another

Gone are the days when marketers connect a person with a brand in isolation.

Today when internet is ubiquitous, marketers should strive toward connecting people with Interest.









TVF aspirants pegged launch date of the next episode with the subscriber target.

This initiative connected TVF's existing subscribers to potential subscriber.





### 4. Deliver useful contents

When brands create contents that help their Target Group, viewers will reward them with word-of-mouth advertisement like reviews, referral & social media shares.

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Engagement rate >80%

>20 Mn followers/subscriber on Social Media

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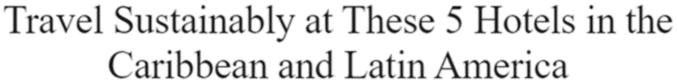
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## How to master

## Conversational Marketing?

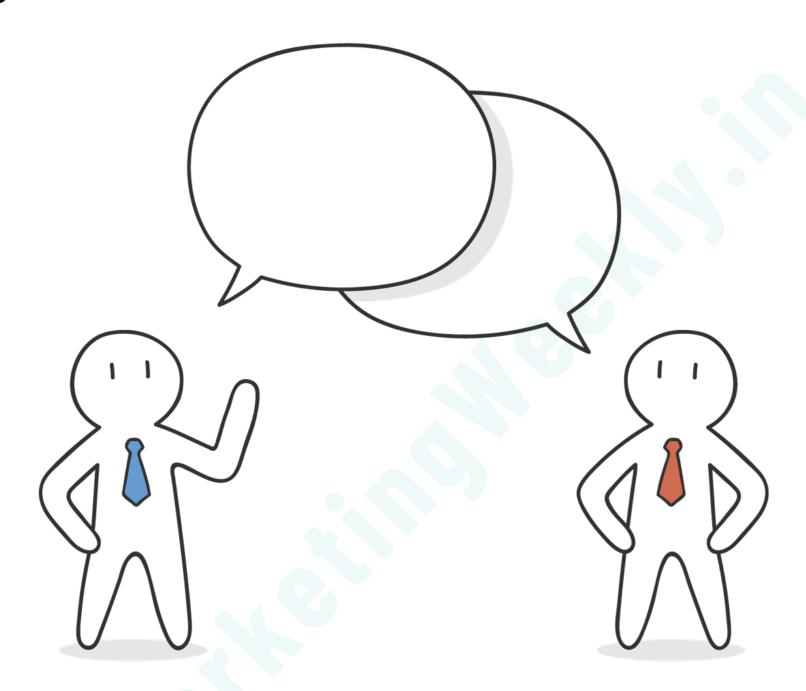








Conversational marketing is a personalized approach of doing business online.



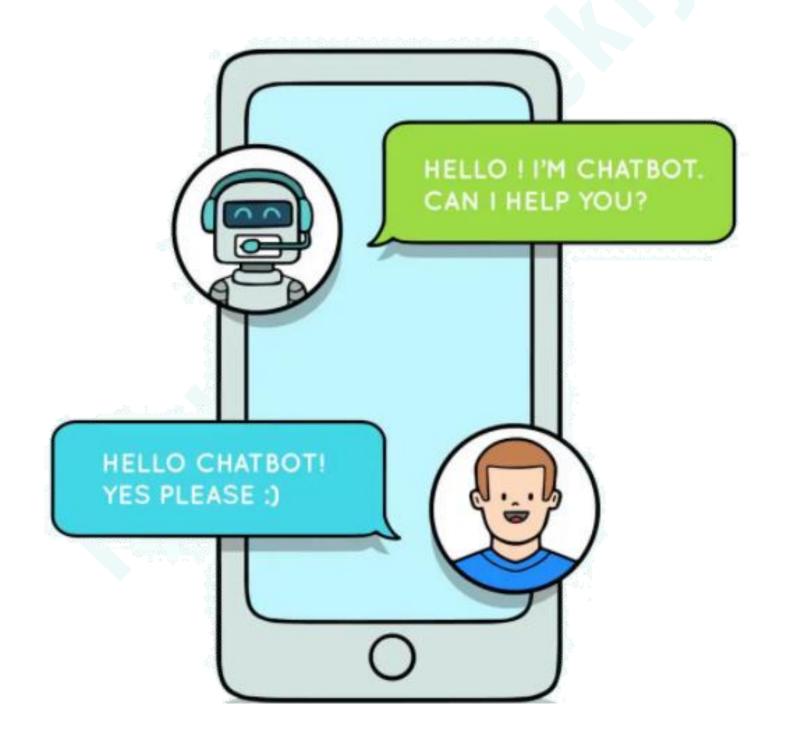
Conversational marketing is the best way for a business to start real-time conversations with buyers & customers



#### **What Are Chatbots?**

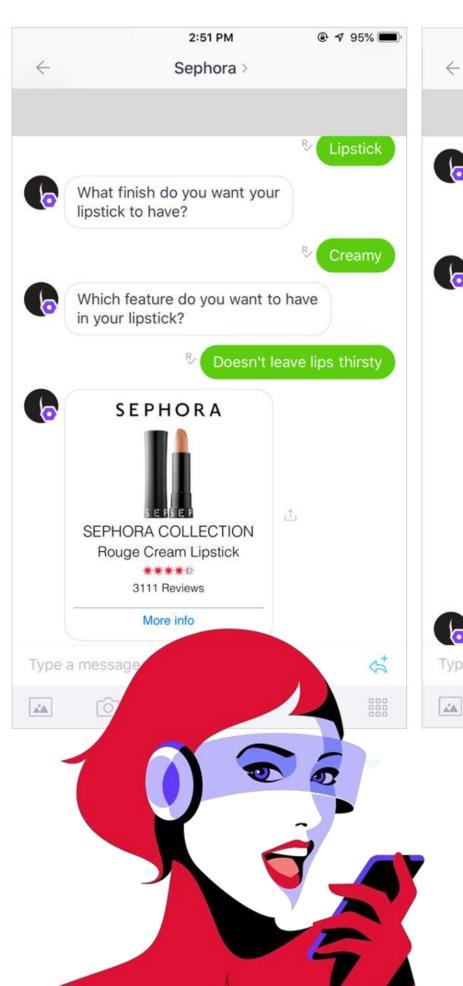
Chatbot is a tool that uses **natural language and pre-programmed** responses to have a conversation

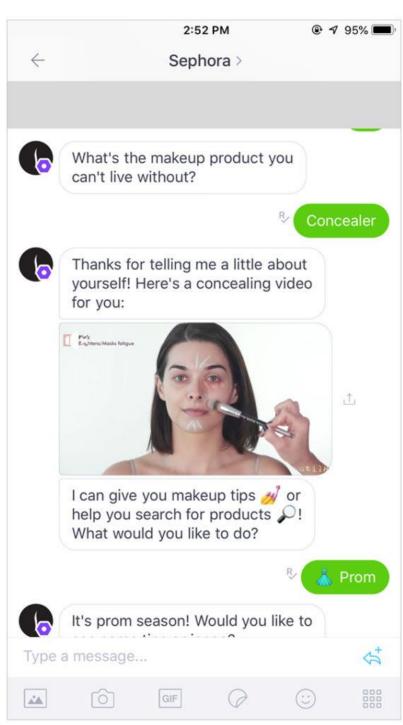
Chatbots don't require anyone to actually be responding to the user

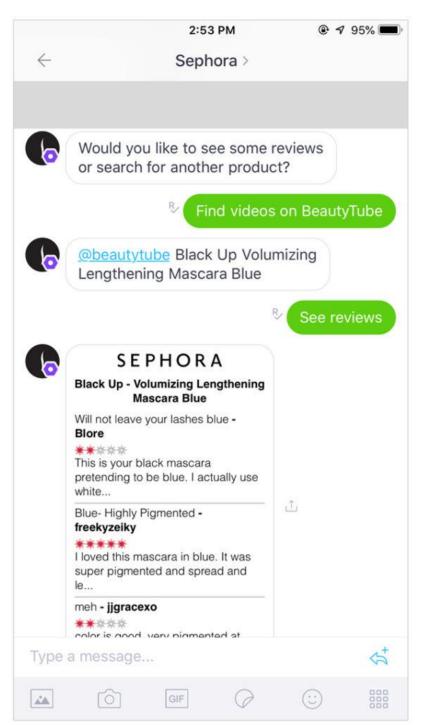




#### Example: Sephora, the perfume brand does this beautifully









#### **Benefits of Conversational Marketing?**



Engage, Qualify and Generate more leads



Provide valuable insights about customers



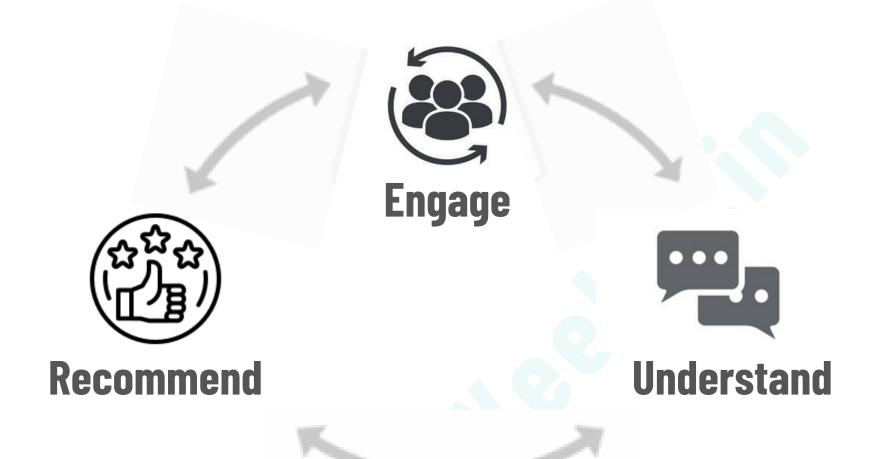
Provides a better experience to customers

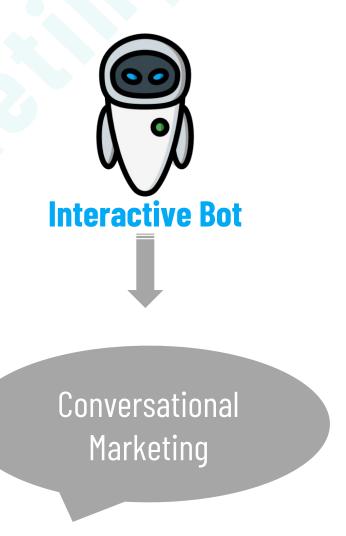


Build customer Relationship



### Framework to Conversational Marketing







#### **Key Principles of Conversational Marketing**



Conversations happen at customer-time.



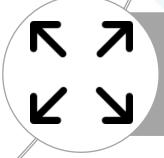
Conversations have context.



Conversation is more than just live chat.



Conversations **meet customers** where they are.



Conversations are scalable.

#### What is the FIX?



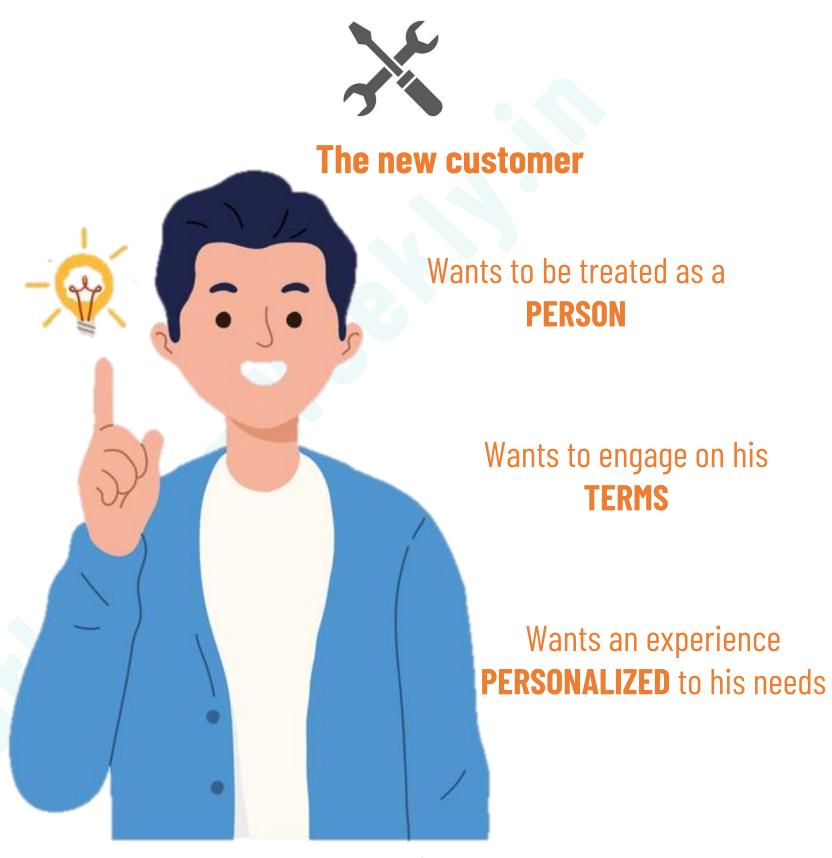


Only 4 out of 10 people answer cold calls

Average email open rate has fallen to 20%

Average landing page conversion rate is only 2.35%

B2B buying process has become cold & impersonal



We need to make business actually feel personal again.



## How brands are leveraging Conversational Marketing

#### 1. Fossil



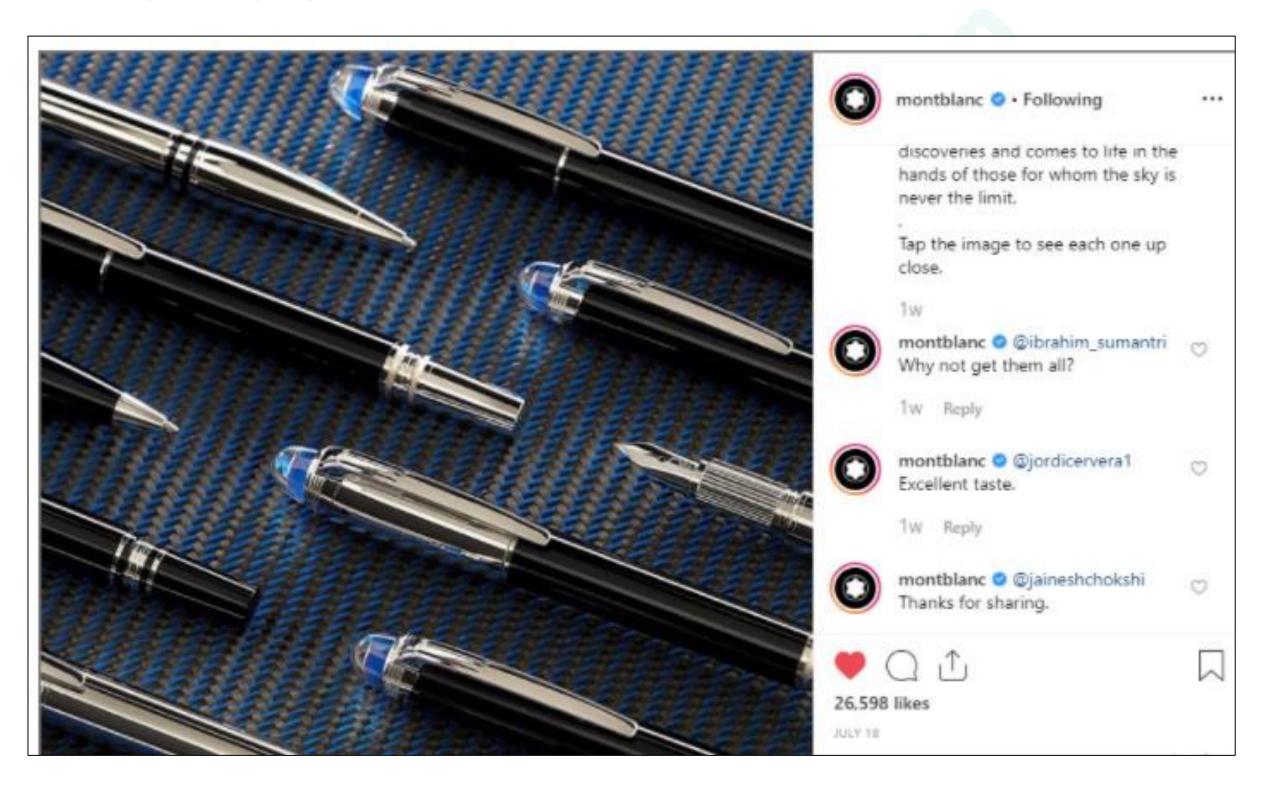
Consumers love personalization and customization.

And they love it more when something is tailored just for them



## How brands are leveraging Conversational Marketing

#### 2. Mont Blanc

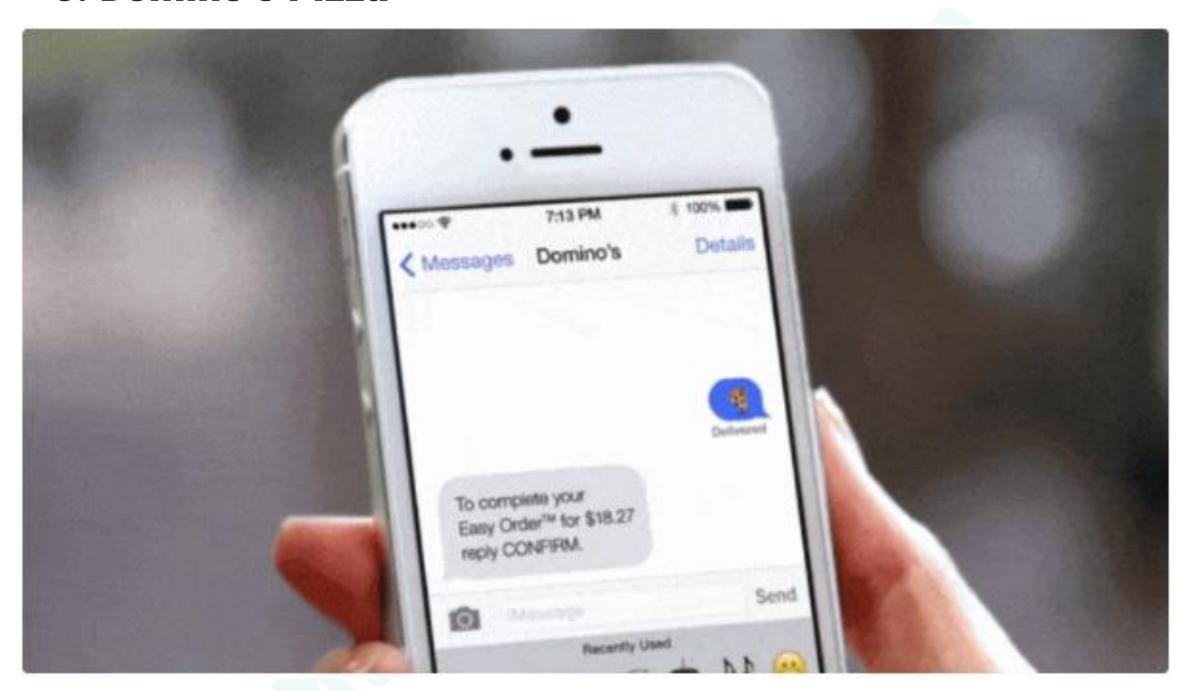


With conversational marketing, one can provide personalized recommendations to consumers looking for it



## How brands are leveraging Conversational Marketing

#### 3. Domino's Pizza



Domino's recent **Domino's AnyWare initiative** allows customers to order pizza from, well, literally anywhere. This includes conversational channels like Slack, Facebook Messenger, Twitter, and text message — **by simply texting the pizza emoji.** 

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