

> Branding and Internet Marketing

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Thoughts and biased opinions from an observer of the passing scene in advertising

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Definition of 'Brand'

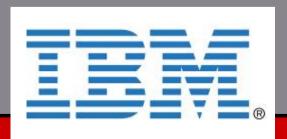
- > The sum of the characteristics of a product or service as perceived by the user ...
- > The user perceives relevant unique added values which match their needs most closely ...
- > Success results from being able to sustain these added values in the face of competition.

Definition of 'Brand'

A product from a known source

Brand value reflects how a product's name, or company name, is perceived by:

- > The target audience for a product, or
- > The marketplace in general



Target Audience

- >Important to understand the meaning and the value of the brand for each target audience in order to develop an effective marketing mix.
- The value of the brand for a web-based company may have heightened importance due to the intangible nature of the web.



Known Source

- You want to become the default reference in a consumer's mind.
- >You want to become synonymous with your niche.
- >When someone says "chocolate", many Europeans immediately think Nestlé because, in a sense, they "own" the brand.



Known Source

- >But in the U.S., when you say "chocolate," I immediately think Hershey's
- >But my wife might think Godiva





Bottom Line of a Brand

It's more expensive, but it's worth it





What is e-Branding™?

"e-branding"™ is the creation and development of communications strategies specifically for brands to have meaning and context on the web.

Traditional, terrestrial brand positioning strategy doesn't always work on the web.



The US shopfront of Apple's iTunes

Brand Summary

- > Remove the hype, and branding is just common-sense strategy, rebranded.
- > To successfully build a brand is to communicate your key value proposition to the key customer segment, and do so in an integrated and consistent way

Brand Impact

- One day I realized that every person I bought from on a regular basis... was a person to me, not a company
- I don't shop at WAL*MART
 - > in my mind that's where the funny lady with the pigtails works
- I don't buy music
 - > I get the latest Beyonce CD.
- Even with brands like Amazon.com
 - > I want the next Toni Morrison novel, not just some book by anyone.





Brand Association

You must create an association between yourself and the person you want to influence, the results they want to have.

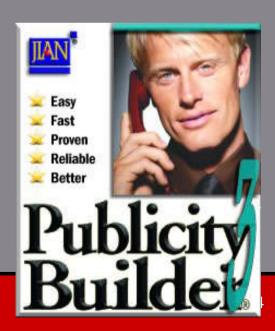
Your brand needs a face, a representative, a personality.



PR and The Art of Branding

Focus on PR, not advertising

Many companies waste millions of dollars trying to establish brands with advertising



PR and The Art of Branding

Brands are built on what people are saying about you, not what you're saying about yourself. People say good things about you when

- > you have a great product and
- you get people to spread the word about it



Commodity Hell

Get past the endless obsession with what competitors are doing

The end result is a group of companies that are all offering the same thing as they "me too" each other into commodity hell

PR and Branding

You have to let your customers co-create your brand through the stories they tell one another

Advertising has a harder time doing that than PR

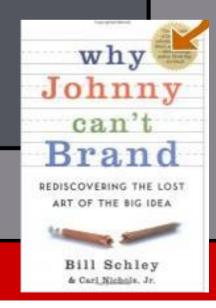


Branding is what you do

Branding is not what you say but what you do.

To brand, in a corporate sense, is no more a verb than "to gorgeous."

A brand is a result, not a tactic.



Branding Disorder

One cannot go about branding an organization or a product or a service; the organization, product, or service is what creates the brand

In a brilliant twist, the experts have bottled an end and sold it as a means.



Brands and Human Nature

Establishing a brand plays into several facets of human nature

For example, when we are presented with a choice between the known and the unknown, we'll naturally tend towards the known

And if there are several known entities, we further sort by the one we trust most



As we learn more about branding and its tie to growing a known product, the answer to whether we should brand is simple

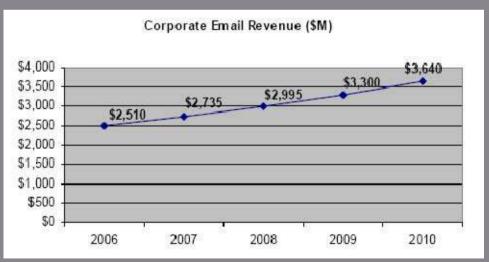
If we want to create a niche and dominate it, online or off, we need to shape that niche, to define it, and to use several different approaches

Let us turn now to specific methods among the diversified approaches available

e-Mail Advertising

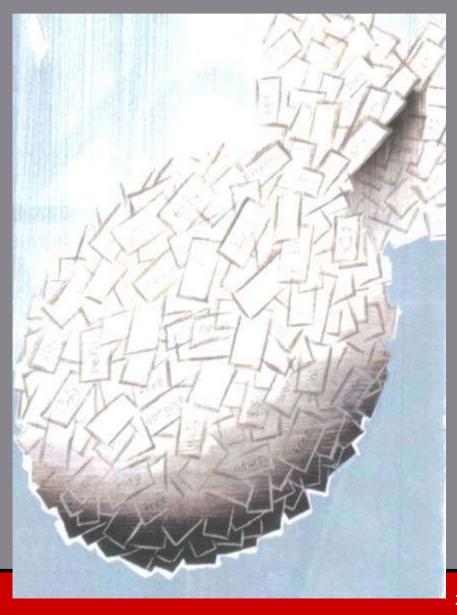
Using e-Mail

- > 84 billion e-mails are sent daily
- US business users send and receive, on average, 171 e-mails a day, and that volume is expected to double by 2010
- > Is Europe far behind?



The e-Mail Bomb

Like fax-push advertising, spam advertising is out of control and likely not a viable alternative for most companies



There are ways around Spam

Opt-in Email Advertising

Features:

- >Targeted Opt-in E-mail Lists
- >Over 3000 Categories
- >Over 30 Million E-mail addresses
- >Demographics targeting, including: age, sex, job title, salary
- >Geo-targeting
- >Domain Targeting (i.e.com, .net, .edu, .org. .uk, .de)
- >Prices starting as low as 7 cents per email

Cell Phone and PDA Advertising

Cell Phone/PDA Advertising

Interaction Between Customer and Brand



Delivering Relevant Content

PROXIMITYMEDIA'S BLUETOOTH PROXIMITY ADVERTISING SOLUTION:

WE DELIVER RELEVANT CONTENT TO RELEVANT TIMES

Relevant: having a bearing on or connection with the subject at issue

wordnet.princeton.edu/perl/webwn



Bluetooth MediaServer: proximity advertising at its best

Looking for creative, cost-effective methods to distribute rich media content? Mobile marketing methods that can substantially raise your ROI? Here's the solution: Wiremedia's Bluetooth MediaServer, an amazing system that uses Bluetooth wireless technology. Direct response advertising at its best.

Proximity Advertising

Your cell phone delivers the ad

for a nearby restaurant





... and then delivers the directions to get you there

Proximity Advertising

Your cell phone asks if you want a message from a

nearby theater





... and then shows you a clip of what is playing

> Earlier we said we sort by the one we trust most

Now we are beginning to see implementations of these ideas that work ...



... and with new technology it will get even better!





The Value of Blogs

Without, say, the imprimatur of The Neue Zurcher Zeitung, a blogger has only his or her reputation to recommend the work

BUT, in this age where the hype of business blogging is reached a plateau, people are starting to realize that blogging has real, permanent benefits.

Blogging – 2 Questions

- Does my planned blogging vision suit my company?
- > Is my current
 blog strategy both
 cost-effective and
 brand-effective?

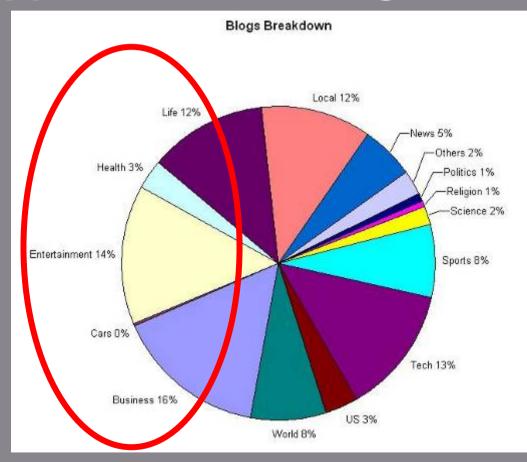


The Art of Branding on a Blog

Your blog has got to match or enhance your brand, in appearance, message, utility

and reach.

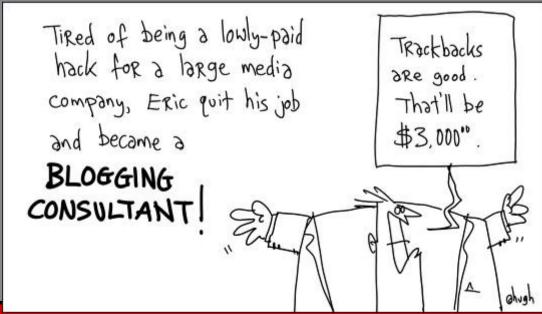
A blog that brings your brand down is worse than no blog at all.



The Art of Branding on a Blog

My assumptions are that you don't have infinite resources and that you do have a great product

If you do have infinite resources and don't have a great product, there's still hope, but you don't need to read this entry any further.



Blog Recommendations

To extend and solidify your brand online, have blogs that are themed

Extend the reach of your brand by offering your blog's RSS feeds for syndication (repurposing) on strategic web properties.

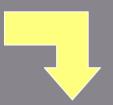
Open more communication channels for your brand.



Web Sites

Let's talk about my wife of 48 years











Life was Simple ... but now ???



Tide with a Touch of Downy Powder Detergent, Clean Breeze Scent, Case Pack, Two - 95 Load Boxes (190 Loads) 55273-543.04

Get it by Tuesday, Jan. 30, if you order in the next 31 hours and 45 minutes.

2 Show only Tide Rome

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Tide Powder Detergent with Bleach, Clean Breeze Scent, Case Pack, Three - 63 Load Boxes (189 Loads)

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Tide Laundry Detergent - Powder, Original Scent, 26 oz

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Tide Laundry Detergent With Bleach, Powder, 26 oz

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Tide Laundry Detergent, Original Scent - Powder, 141 oz

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87 Oz. Tide Powder Laundry Detergent \$15.22

> Show only Froster & Gamble Items



Tide Powder Laundry Detergent With Bleach, Original Scent, 87 oz

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Tide Laundry Detergent, Original Scent - Powder, 141 oz

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87 Oz. Tide Powder Laundry Detergent

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Tide Laundry Detergent, Mountain Spring - Powder, 70 oz

> Show only Tide Items



Tide Laundry Powder (34959PG) 83336-522.71

* Show only Propter And Gamble Items



Tide with a Touch of Downy Powder Detergent, Soft Ocean Mist Scent, Case Pack, Two - 95 Load Boxes (190 Loads)

552.73 \$43.94

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Ultra Tide Laundry Detergent with Bleach, 267-oz. Box (PAG42282)

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2 Show only Prodor And Gamble Items



Ultra Tide Liquid Detergent, 100 Oz PGT17115

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Tide Liquid Laundry Detergent, Original Scent, 200 fl oz

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Tide Liquid Laundry Detergent, Clean Breeze, 200 fl oz

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Tide Liquid Laundry Detergent -Clean Breeze, With a Touch of Downy, 100 fl oz

> Show only Tide items



Procter & Gamble #91828 500Z Tide Liquid Detergent \$5.79

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Tide Liquid Laundry Detergent-50 Oz. Each (92290PG) \$77.82-\$50.92

> Show only Procter And Gamble Items



Tide Liquid Laundry Detergent, Mountain Spring Scent, 200 fl oz

> Show only Tide items



Tide Liquid Laundry Detergent, Original Scent, 50 fl oz

> Show only Tide items



Tide Liquid Laundry Detergent With Bleach Alternative, Original Scent, 150 oz

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Tide Liquid Laundry Detergent, Original Scent, 150 fl oz

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Tide Laundry Detergent, Tropical Clean , 150 fl oz

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Tide Simple Pleasures Liquid Laundry Detergent, Water Lily & Jasmine, 80 fl oz

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200 Oz. Liquid Tide Detergent \$27.96

> Show only Procter & Gamble Items



Tide Free Liquid Laundry Detergent, 50 fl oz

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Tide With Bleach Alternativ Original Scent, 200 fl oz

Tide With Bleach Alternative Liquid Laundry Detergent, Original Scent, 200 fl oz

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Ultra Liquid Tide Laundry Detergent, 100-oz. Bottles, 4/Carton (PAG92291CT)

\$85.90 \$ 53.29

> Show only Procter And Gamble Items



Tide Liquid - Clean Breeze Laundry Detergent, 32 Loads, 100 fl oz

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Ultra Liquid Tide Laundry Detergent, 100-oz. Bottle (PAG92291)

\$18.12 \$15.63

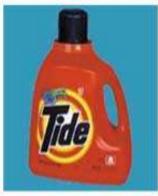
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PAG92291EA Ultra Liquid Tide® Laundry Detergent, 100-oz. Bottle \$18.12

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PAG92291CT Ultra Liquid Tide® Laundry Detergent, 100-oz. Bottles, 4/Carton

\$65.90

Show only PROCTER & GAMBLE items

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Tide Ultra Liquid Laundry Detergent, 100-oz. Bottle, 4 Bottles per Case

 Show only Proctor and Gamble Professional items 42,



Tide Liquid - Clean Breeze Wth Bleach, 39 Loads, 150 fl oz

> Show only Tide items

Tide-Liquid-Laundry-300 Oz. -96Us (30602PG)

\$88.34 \$68.06

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And the Web Site introduces still more alternatives!



Flavor 2



> We are getting coupons in the mail ...

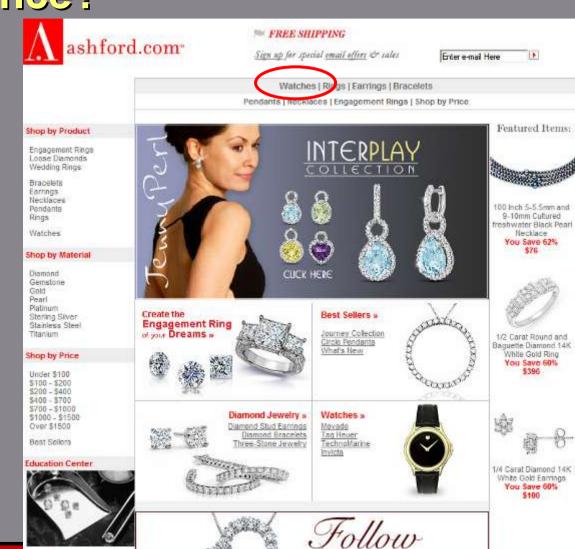


... but none of these are in our local supermarket!

Web Sites – The Big Problem

Who is the audience?

- > Boomers?
- > Seniors?
- > Males?
- > Females?
- > Swiss French?
- > Swiss German?



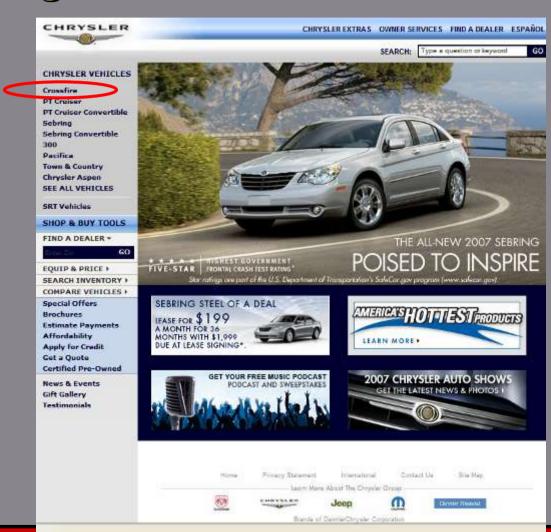
Who is the Audience?



Web Sites – The Big Problem

What is the message?

- > Brand?
- > Benefits?
- > Features?
- > Help?
- > Information?



Web Sites – The Big Problem

Why are we doing this?

- > To promote the brand?
- > To build credibility?
- > To inform?
- > To convince?
- > To persuade?
- > To influence?



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. Business to Consumer (small

magazines)

consignments)

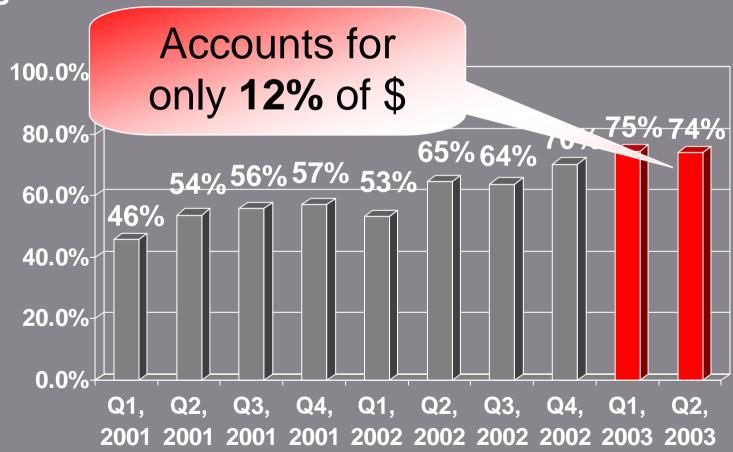
· Press International (newspapers and

Web Sites – The Big Opportunity



Web Sites – The Big Opportunity

At Least 75% of US businesses are now buying goods and services online



Web Sites – The Big Problem

e-Shopping Carts

Other surveys say up to 79%

E-Service by Ron Zemke





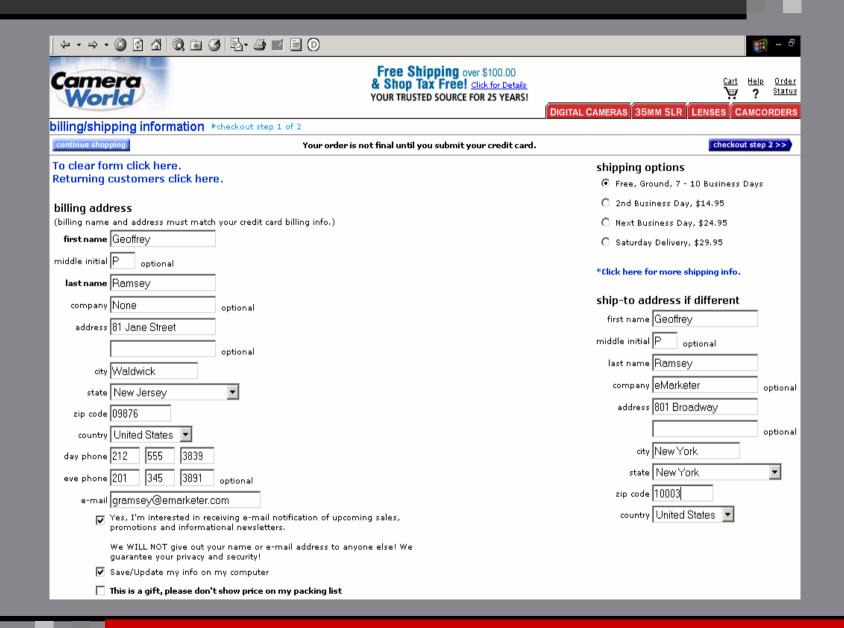
Can you imagine ...

... if up to 75% of shopping carts were abandoned in a supermarket without the customer buying anything ???



A True Story





Next Screen

This is a gift, please don't show price on my packing list



Free Shipping over \$100.00 & Shop Tax Free! Click for Details YOUR TRUSTED SOURCE FOR 25 YEARS!

<u>Status</u>

35MM SLR LENSES CAMCORDERS DIGITAL CAMERAS billing/shipping information I checkout step 1 of 2 continue shopping checkout step 2 >> Your order is not final until you submit your credit card. To clear form click here. shipping options Returning customers click here. • Free, Ground, 7 - 10 Business Days C 2nd Business Day, \$14.95 billing address (billing name and address must match your credit card billing info.) C Next Business Day, \$24.95 first name |Geoffrey C Saturday Delivery, \$29.95 middle initial P optional *Click here for more shipping info. last name |Ramsey ship-to address if different company None optic first name Geoffrey address 81 Jane Street middle initial P optional optional "CICK" est name Ramsey city Waldwick ipany eMarketer optional state New Jersey address 801 Broadway zip code 09876 optional country United States city New York l3839. day phone 212 state New York 3891 l345. eve phone 201 zip code |10003| e-mail gramsey@emarketer country United States ▼ Yes, I'm interested. promotions and informational newsletters. We WILL NOT give out your name or e-mail address to anyone else! We guarantee your privacy and security! Save/Update my info on my computer

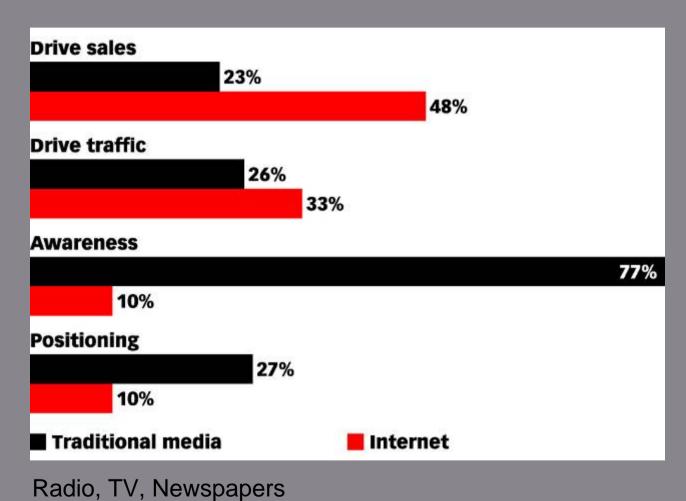
You know where he went next ...



Emphasize Web site usability over design



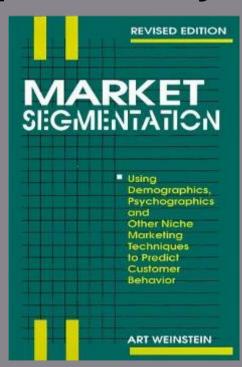
Primary Strengths – Each Medium has a role

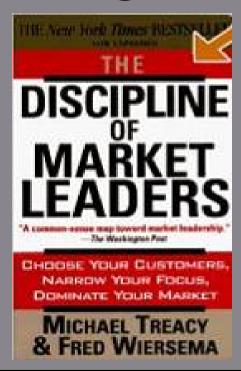


Market Segmentation

The purpose for segmenting a market is to allow your marketing/sales program to focus on the subset of prospects that are "most likely" to purchase your offering







A short market segmentation demo



Segmentation Demo

Final Thoughts

Old Truths are still the reality... you need a great product or service, and you need to communicate well to gain recognition, mind-share, trust and brand-loyalty

Final Thoughts

- > But everything else is changing
- > You must surround the customer with a consistent brand experience
- > You can't just say who you are
- > You have to live it, be it, prove it
- It is about the dialogue

Remember Definitions

- Characteristics must be perceived as relevant, unique added values
- Meaning and Value are defined by each target audience

Think about everything, use the MOST EFFECTIVE



Final Thoughts

The Relationship Cycle

When thinking about brand strategy, think across all the segments, across all of the communications touch points and across the entire relationship cycle



Final Thoughts

- > Define what success means upfront
- > Measure against that success
- > Try something, change it, and try again
- > And always measure your results

Thank You! And good luck with your brands!













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