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Transformational Growth

Practical strategies to accelerate growth in 2023 for your business

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Face to face workshop

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Today's agenda

- Welcome / introduction / updates
- ▶ Three ways to avoid stagnation in growth strategies for 2022 / 2023
- ► How customer friction can drive innovation and growth. Where are your opportunities?
- ► Accelerating client referrals simple strategies that work
- Coffee / networking with peers
- ► Is your pricing and business model holding you back from greater profitability?
- Business Leader group problem solving address your number one challenge or opportunity
- ► Key actions and summary



Introduction & updates

► In <u>one word</u> how would you describe the growth in your business so far in 2022 and why?



Three ways to avoid stagnation in your growth strategies for 2022 / 2023



1. New products Existing markets



Four ways to grow your business

MARKET PENETRATION: Existing Products – Existing Markets

MARKET EXPANSION: Existing Products – New Markets

PRODUCT EXPANSION: New Products – Existing Markets

DIVERSIFICATION: New Products – New Markets





2. Attract more 'A class' customers



Four ways to attract more quality clients

- 1. First identify your top 'A class' advocates. Who are they?
- 2. Do case studies (video and written for digestibility) on them and share with clients
- 3. Do a webinar / event and invite 'A class' clients to attend and speak about their experience
- 4. Ask 'A class' customers for a referral

Q: Who has done these? What else could you do?



3. Create urgency through scarcity



Leveraging 'drop' strategies

What is a product drop or flash sale?

Limited release of exclusive product at set time for set duration. The formula to make it work involves:

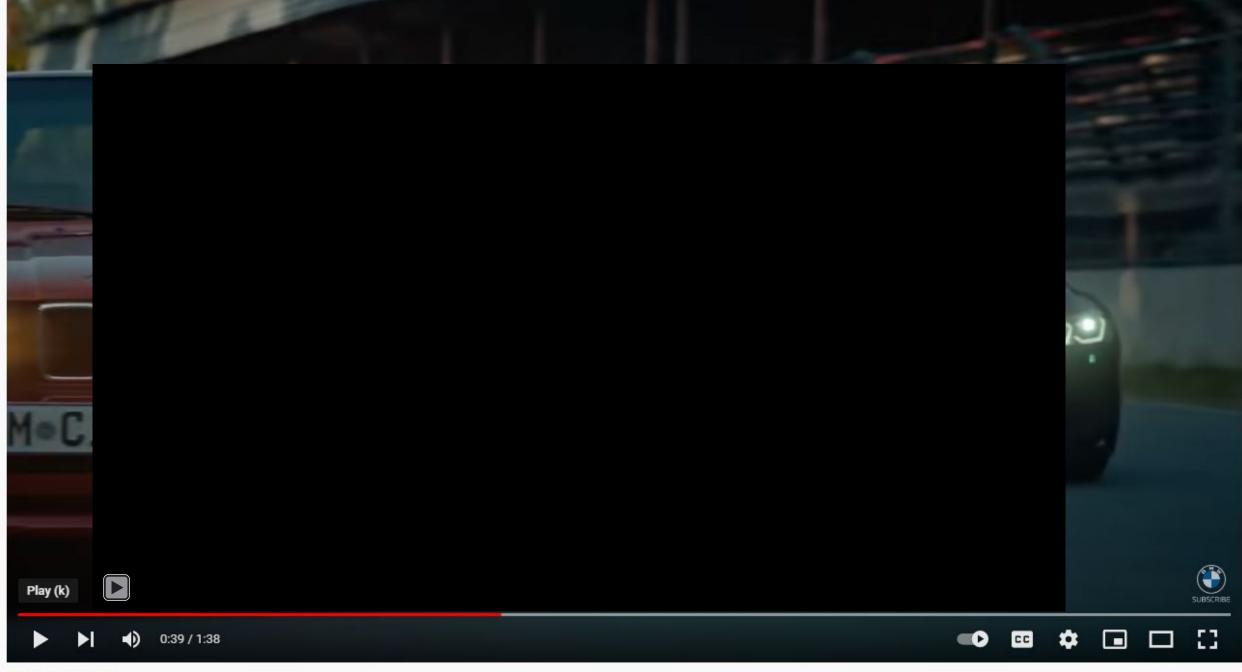
(Low-ish supply + high demand) $x \underline{hype} = major sales$.

Ref: https://www.shopify.com.au/retail/limited-drops

Ref: https://www.shopify.com/enterprise/how-to-create-hype-with-product-drops







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The BMW M4 Competition x KITH. True legends live on. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AZoz3_gFG4A

Network effect drives hype

The network power of collaborations means that when brand X collaborates with brand Y, it also benefits when brand Y collaborates with brand Z.

This helps explains the absurdly expensive (and expansive) ecosystem of James Bond product placement — where mid-level brands like Toyota, Heineken, Dell and Moscot bask in the reflected glor not just of 007, but of luxury marques like Aston Martin, Bollinger, Omega and Leica.



Ref: https://www.bloomberg.com/opinion/articles/2022-01-23/from-target-to-supreme branding-s-latest-obsession-is-collaborations



Three ways to implement in your business

1. Build hype

Have you ever been invited to a wedding? If so, it's likely that you got a save-the-date from the soon-to-be newlyweds. The same line of thinking can be applied to a drop. It should be your goal to create as much excitement as possible surrounding your brand.

2. Leverage scarcity

One great way of using scarcity to your advantage is creating exclusive access opportunities. Limiting certain drops or specific products to members-only events or digital memberships helps build even more excitement and desire, making your brand an entity that people want to be a part of.

3. Deliver quality

While you can build all the hype and anticipation in the world around your brand and its products, if the overall quality of the product does not deliver, consumers will know. The design, quality, and service must exceed the expectations of the consumers who are putting forth time and money to support, brand, otherwise, it's likely you'll lose customers and even followers.



Exercise

▶ Discuss with the person next to you how you could leverage DROP strategies and / or the collaboration strategy for building hype into your B2B or B2C businesses to help you grow?



How customer friction can drive innovation and growth. Where are your opportunities?



Evolving to accelerate growth

Funnel-to-Flywheel

Then = Funnel
Customers as an afterthought



Accelerating your flywheel

- 1. Put the customer first
- 2. Eliminate friction
- 3. Delight customers
- 4. Build word-of-mouth

Ref: https://blog.hubspot.com/service/funnel-into-flywheel



Becoming more customer centric



1. Make customers' lives easier, even if they have to work harder

Convenience: Customers want to be able to get the information and service they need on their schedule, not the business'



2. Focus on personalisation

Customer expect high levels of personalisation and a unique experience. It is at the heart of customer centricity



3. Led by customer centric leaders

True customer centricity starts at the top



Becoming more customer centric



4. Innovate and pivot

Agility: Customer centric businesses move at a rapid pace, swiftly changing directions to meet customer needs often even before the customers realise the need for something new.



5. Proactively use data

Customer centric businesses use customer data to paint an accurate picture of their customers.



6. Undergo a digital transformation

Businesses must continually undergo digital transformation to create digital solutions for their customers.



Removing friction in order to grow

Via website clients can view stage of build process

Build 3rd party installer relationship

Strategies Friction points Low clarity on No showroom delivery dates **Small Kitchen** Poor clarity Can't operate **Manufacturing** from suppliers interstate **Business** 7 days to follow-up an online inquiry

Engage offshore social media manager and web designer to build online showroom

Have weekly supply review meetings with all suppliers

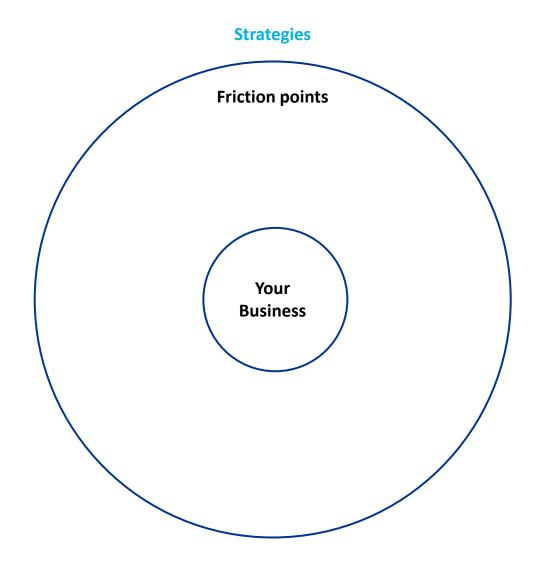


Part-time sales manager to tackle new inquiries and quoting

Exercise:

Removing friction points to grow

- In pairs, spend 16 minutes using this tool on each of your businesses (eight minutes each). Challenge each other.
- ▶ We shall then debrief insights.





Accelerating client referrals – simple strategies that work!



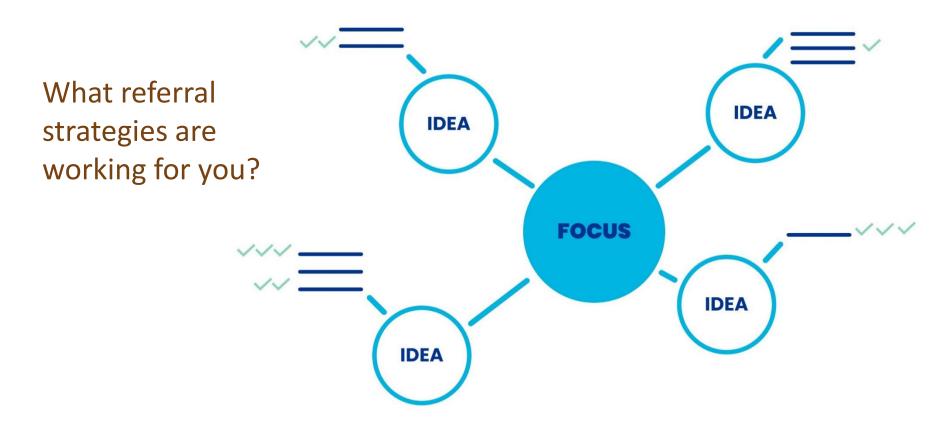






Ref: https://customergauge.com/blog/b2b-referral-marketing







Coffee Break



Is your pricing and business model holding you back from greater profitability?



Different revenue models

1. Transactional

Provide a service at set price that customers pay for (typical)

2. Subscription

Month-to-month or annual recurring fee a customer pays

3. Freemium

Customers pay nothing in order to trial services at low level

4. Advertising

Revenue generated through allowing advertising to customers

5. Commission

Percentage or set fee provided for facilitating a sale



Five ways to look at your pricing

1. Cost plus

Materials + Labour + Overheads + Profit = Price

2. Competitor pricing

What are the competitors charging and how (revenue model)?

3. Demand / value based – what the market will bear?

What will people pay for your product?

4. Government regulations

Does the government set the price?

5. Marketing / business plan

Are we targeting margins, growth or both?



Scenario

Growing your profit through pricing

- You own a small business with 20 staff (five in the showrooms, 10 in manufacturing and five in management / admin) selling office desks you manufacture locally using imported material. Your desks are high quality but you have not innovated for many years.
- You have two local showrooms but most sales are online as you have a great website and relationships across fit out providers. Through Covid you reduced your pricing to move stock but have not lifted them again. Lately due to higher cost of importing materials and costs running the showrooms profitability has dropped dramatically.
- You are concerned about lifting pricing but can't continue to operate the business at profit levels where you are only just breaking even.
- ▶ What three things would you do to lift profit and growth?



Solution

What I would do

- 1. Close one showroom (or go all virtual) with small viewing area at manufacturing factory.
- 2. Introduce new stand-up desk technology into designs to sell as a premium product
- 3. Do a competitor analysis to view how we compare to others re: pricing
- 4. Go back to suppliers and look for ways to remove cost
- 5. Look at packages of desks to bundle pricing to increase volume and margin
- 6. Lift pricing to lock in profit and adapt overheads / expenses accordingly (even if that means scaling back in the short-term)



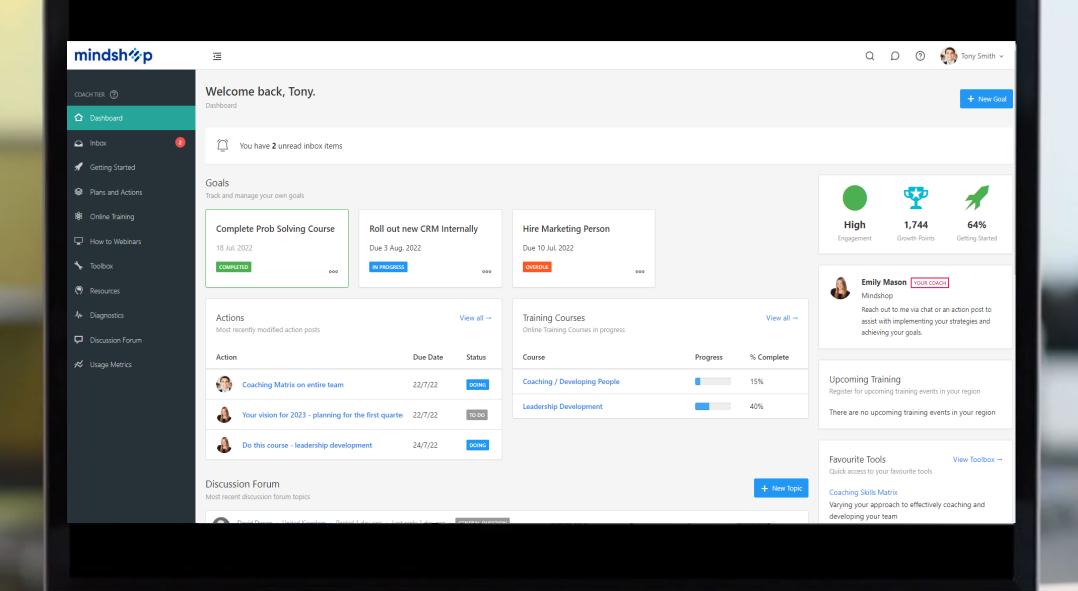
Group problem solving - addressing your number one challenge or opportunity



Exercise

- ► What's your key challenge or opportunity identified from today?
- Use the handout provided to note down for five minutes your name and your key challenge or opportunity from today re: growth.
- When I see everyone's done I will give you all time to move around the room to provide advice on that person's handout.
- Circle the top three ideas.





Summary from today

- ► Three ways to avoid growth stagnation
- ► Removing customer friction to drive new growth strategies
- Referrals and shared great ideas
- Pricing and revenue models and strategies associated with that
- Final group problem solving exercise

What is your key insight from the day?



Thank you for attending

Good luck with your growth strategies

Next workshop date Tuesday 6 December 2022

