

Your brand story.

Telling your unique story to unlock value and sales.

Story & Brand

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Key topics for this video....

Unlocking value and sales through the power of your brand.

- What is a brand?
- 2. What is a brand story?
- 3. Why do stories help marketing
- 4. Examples of great brand stories local and global
- 5. Your brand story
- 6. Homework completing your brand story

You will learn how to bring to life your brand and grow your business.





Why do you need to have a brand?

Moving conversation from being only about price.

Strong brands add value....

- O An asset that you can show on your balance sheet
- A means of charging more than you can for product alone
- Amplifies the value of your product
- Contributes to loyalty and repeat business
- Is your promise to the buyer that sets their expectation of quality/experience/service

A brand is not...

Simple name and appearance of your packaging





Your brand makes it easier to buy from you than competitors....

You'll have a brand story and ways to commercialise it to attract consumers and make sales.

- Human beings are emotional creatures and our decisions are both emotional and rational in everything from cars to mortgages
- Brand stories are a short-cut to engaging people through their emotions
- We have enough decisions to make everyday and the easier we make it the better







We expect to pay more for brands than commodities







Brown, fizzy liquid

H20

Fruit juice



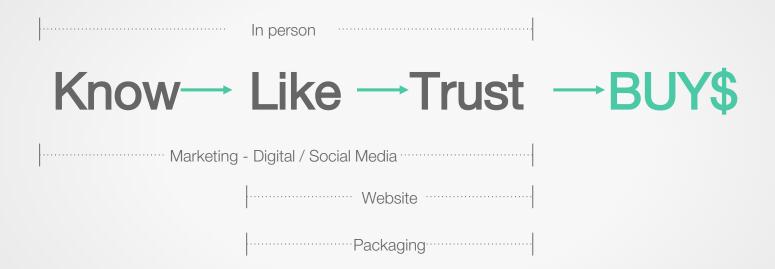


"Your brand is what other people say about you when you're not in the room."

Jeff Bezos



Consumer pathway to purchase.



Use your brand to move the consumer from mind to heart to hand.





The best story wins.

If your competitor has an inferior product but communicates better, they will beat you in the market place every time.

What's a story?



- O As humans, most of the decisions we make are emotional.
- O Logic and facts are crucial. But when we make a purchase, choose a holiday, take a job, invest, or pick a university we're buying a story, and often use emotion to decide. This is true for B2B purchases as well as B2C
- O We remember great stories, well told because they make us feel something
- O Story guides us with how to position our products and services so people take notice, make choice and act.
- O Brands that use narrative (a story), generally resonate better with consumers than just product facts alone.



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What makes you unique, told in a compelling way that matters to your consumer. Brought to life in ways that WOW!





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A Great Brand Story...



- O The key to a GREAT Brand Story is clarity.
- Make it simple and clear to be easily understood.
- O When your message is clear, consumers will engage.
- If you confuse you lose!



Brand Story / Johnnie Walker.







Your Brand Story[™] / Johnnie Walker.



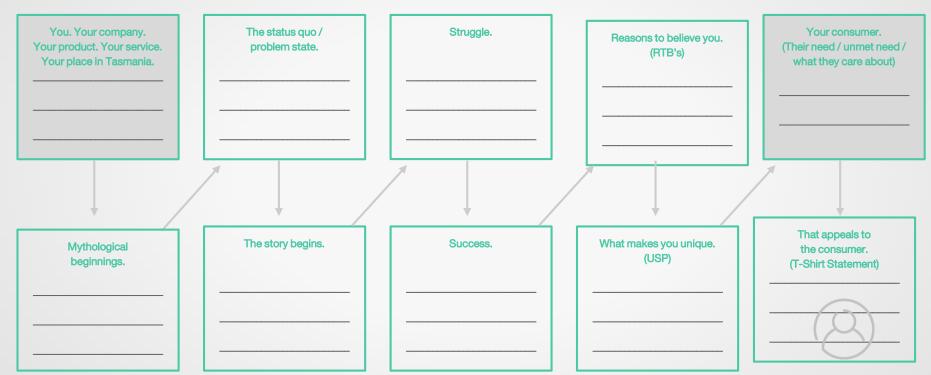
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Your Brand Story[™] / Create a story of influence.







Brand Story[™] / Johnnie Walker

You. Your company.
Your product. Your service.
Your place in the world.



The status quo / problem state.

In the 1800's there were lots of whiskies, but of inconsistent quality and mainly small scale production, unknown outside their locale.

Struggle.

A little store in a little town isn't big enough for Johnnie's passion and ambition. He seeks further uniqueness and constant innovation while maintaining product consistency.

Reasons to believe you. World renowned

Introduced whisky to people who have never tried before
One of most distinctive brands bottle shape and the Johnnie
Walker Striding Man
Plethora of awards
Huge range - Red, Black, Gold,
Green. Blue

The customer.
(Their need / unmet need / what they care about)
Welcoming Life's Challenges



Mythological beginnings.

Young John gets the chance to escape the prospect of working the land or being a miner when his father opens a grocer's in Kilmarnock in 1820.

The story begins.

John or Johnnie, starts blending various whiskies to produce something of of consistent quality thereby providing something unique to his father's grocery store customers.

Success.

The square bottle is developed.
One of the first brands appears Johnnie walker
Demand spreads beyond
Kilmarnock, eventually to the
world
A full range of award winners

What makes you unique. (USP)

Johnnie Walker sets the standards in Scotch Whiskey ... overcoming all challenges just like our drinkers. That appeals to the Customer.
THE BRAND IDEA!

Keep Walking

Tell your story in a way that matters to the people that matter.





Your Brand Story[™] / LEVI'S.





The status quo / problem state.





Reasons to believe you. (RTB's)



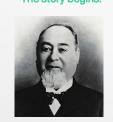
Your consumer. (Their need / unmet need / what they care about)



Mythological beginnings.







Success.



What makes you unique. (USP)



That appeals to the consumer. (T-Shirt Statement)

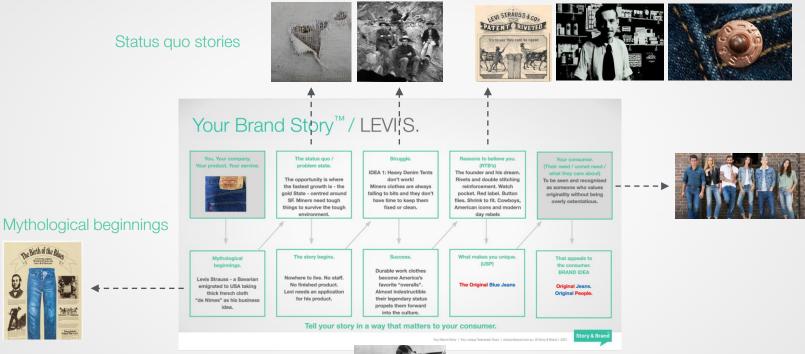
Original Jeans.
Original People.





Brand Story / LEVI'S / Content

Feature based stories.





Success



Your Brand Story[™] / Communicate on-brand.

Your tool for communicating on-brand anywhere...



- Your sales pitch.
- Guiding your sales team
- Your Importer/wholesaler for selling to retailer
- Writing a job hire ad.
- Your website content and design.
- Packaging.
- Retail branding Point of sale, merchandising
- Anything!





Fishers Brand Story / Mythological Beginnings

You. Your company. Product Your place in the world.

Fishers of Freycinet pickled mussels, direct to market.
We are the pre-eminent supplier of premium quality value-added mussels on the island.

Mythological beginnings.

Two farmers on a world adventure, dreaming in the Harrods food hall store on how we can get to grace those shelves with our mussels.







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The status quo / problem state.

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Struggle.

Growing the crop of mussels and preserving the integrity of an ocean gem.



Tell your story in a way that matters to your consumer.





Struggle.

The industry and dairy farmers judged and criticised us on the way we chose to farm.

Learning new ways of bio-organics.

An unknown cheese brand in a competitive market (Nth Coast Tas).

Success.

Discovering the perfect formula for pickled mussel recipes and preservation to maintain quality through the supply chain.

Getting raving feedback from consumers at the cellar door



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Success.

Discovering the perfect 'formula' for consistently outstanding pickled mussels

Reasons to believe.(RTB's)

Reserve seafood champion at the Tasmanian Fine Food Awards on our first attempt.







Fishers Brand Story / A story of influence

You. Your company.
Your product. Your service.
Your place in the world.

Fishers of Freycinet pickled mussels, direct to market.

We are the pre-eminent supplier of premium quality value-added mussels on the Island.

The status quo / problem state.

Your artisan picnic platter is missing a little touch of our love for the ocean, Tasmanian pickled mussels.

Struggle.

Growing the crop of mussels and preserving the integrity of an ocean gem.

Reasons to believe.(RTB's)

Our consumers seek opportunities to purchase them.

Batch production is growing steadily.

Your consumer. (Their need / unmet need / what they care about)

A luxurious picnic accompaniment that is clean and tender, nurtured in the pristine waters of the Southern Ocean, grown and produced with love.

Mythological beginnings.

Two farmers on a world adventure, dreaming in the Harrods food hall store on how we can get to grace those shelves with our mussels.

The story begins.

A match made in heaven, the farmer and the gourmet cook. Wanting to find the best preserved mussels, the farmer had the will and the cook had the passion, so the journey began

Success.

Reserve seafood champion at the Tasmanian Fine Food Awards on our first attempt.

What makes you unique. (USP)

We are Tasmanian.
We grow, harvest, process and sell all on site.

Every part of the process is tailored by the grower and maker.

That appeals to the consumer. The Brand Idea!
T-Shirt statement

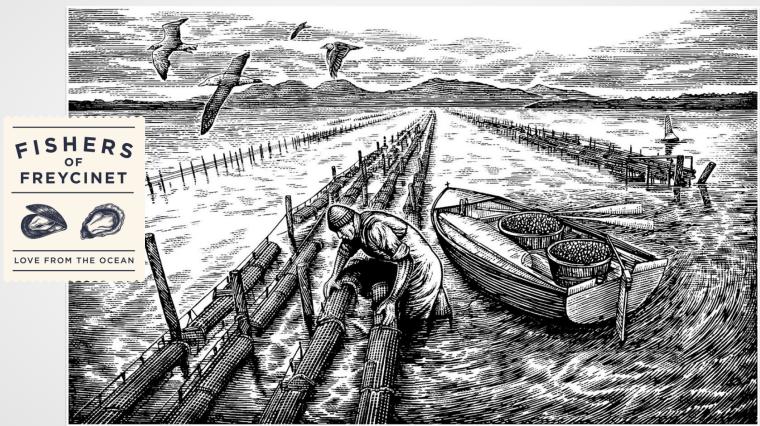
Love from the Ocean







Brand idea





Brand idea / Love from the ocean













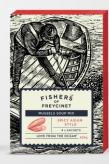
















Your brand idea - make it a t-shirt to make it tight.









Tools and Homework.

Tools.

Download the Brand Story template

Homework.

Complete your Brand Story.

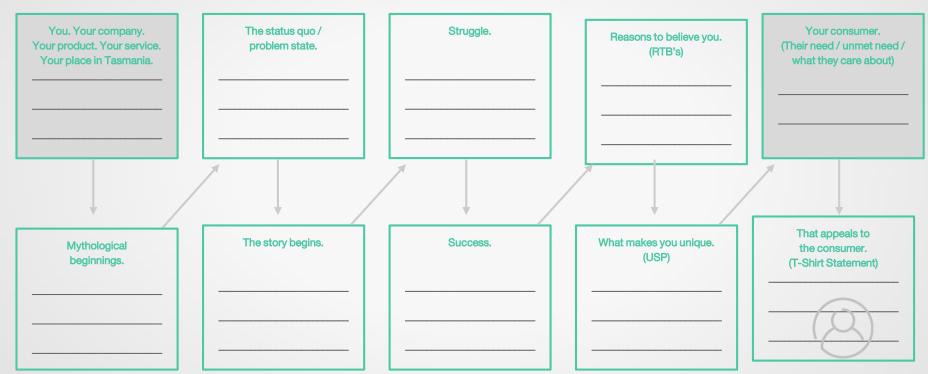
NEXT SESSION:

- O Complete your Brand Story as best you can. We will be calling out a few of you in the live Q&A to share your Brand Story with us.
- Our aim is to give everyone the opportunity to share their Brand Story.





Your Brand Story[™] / Create a story of influence.









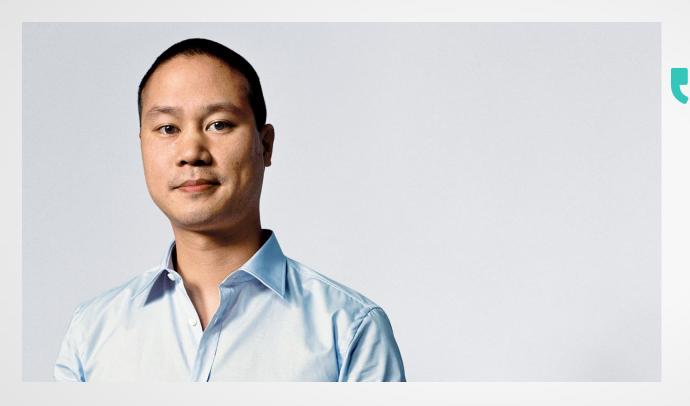


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Your brand is the single most important investment you can make in your business

> Steve Forbes Forbes Magazine





Tony Hsieh Internet Entrepreneur





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You. Your company.
Your product. Your service.



The status quo / problem state.

The opportunity is where the fastest growth is - the gold State - centred around SF. Miners need tough things to survive the tough environment.

Struggle.

IDEA 1: Heavy Denim Tents
don't work!
Miners clothes are always
falling to bits and they don't
have time to keep them fixed
or clean.

Reasons to believe you. (RTB's)

The founder and his dream.
Rivets and double stitching
reinforcement. Watch pocket.
Red label. Button flies. Shrink
to fit. Cowboys, American
icons and modern day rebels

Your consumer. (Their need / unmet need / what they care about)

To be seen and recognised as someone who values originality without being overly ostentatious.

Mythological beginnings.

Levis Strauss - a Bavarian emigrated to USA taking thick french cloth "de Nimes" as his business idea.

The story begins.

Nowhere to live. No staff. No finished product.
Levi needs an application for his product.

Success.

Durable work clothes become America's favorite "overalls". Almost indestructible their legendary status propels them forward into the culture. What makes you unique. (USP)

The Original Blue Jeans

That appeals to the consumer.
BRAND IDEA

Original People.





The creative leap...



- O The Brand Idea is a distillation which elevates the brand story into a single thought that brings it all together
- It should satisfy rational and emotional needs of the consumer and talk to how you meet them
- O You should be able to express your brand idea in just a few words that are irresistible to the consumer



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