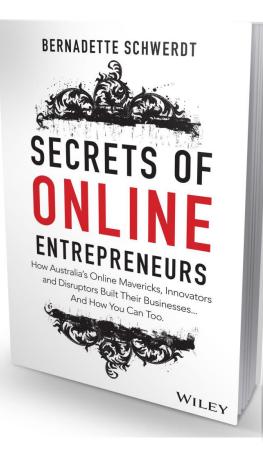


# The top 10 secrets of successful entrepreneurs

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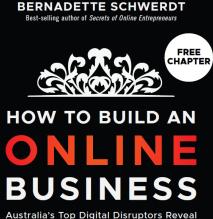
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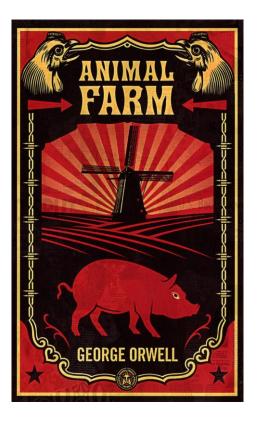
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Australia's Top Digital Disruptors Reve Their Secrets for Launching and Growing an Online Business



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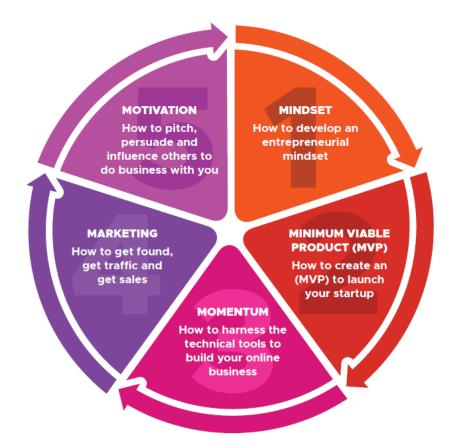


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# YOUR TURN

#### step process



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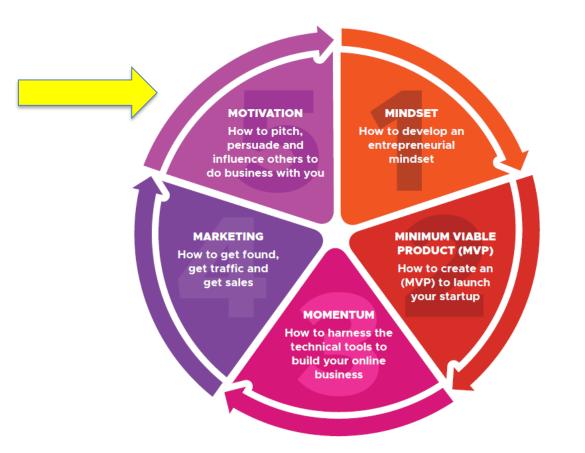
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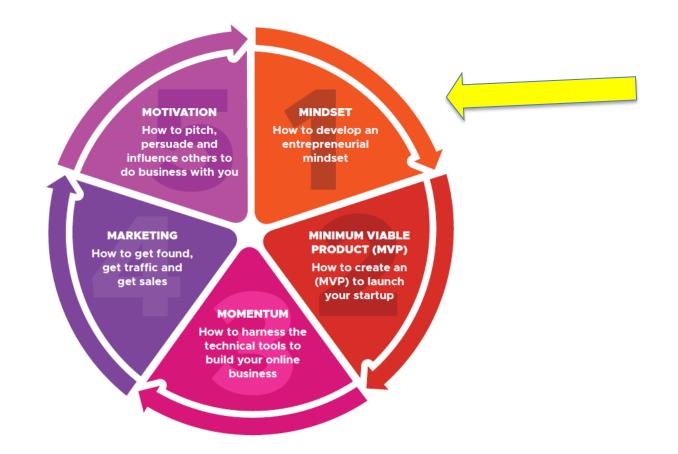


#### Why enter awards





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#### 2. Trust their crazy ideas



#### Crazy ideas are working

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Waze	6	\$25 million	\$1 billion (in 2013)	50x		
Quirky	5	\$50 million	\$2 billion	40x		
Snapchat	3	0	\$10 billion	10,000x +		

#### \$38 Billion – Founded 1885



<b>Snapchat</b> 3 0 \$10 billion 10,000x +
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2018 Valuation - \$28 billion Equal to CBS Network

#### **Australian disruptor**

# afterpay

Founded 2014 Listed 2016 - \$215m 2018 Valuation - \$3 billion Founder's personal stakes: \$360m each

## WHY IS THIS HAPPENING?

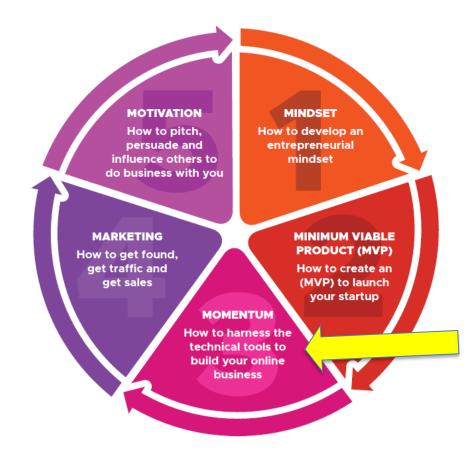
## WHY NOW?



#### 3. Leverage the factors of disruption



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#### Four factors of disruption

#### 1. Cloud

#### 2. Big Data

#### 3. Social

#### 4. Mobile





#### TRUMP



#### KE AMERICA GREAT AGAIN!



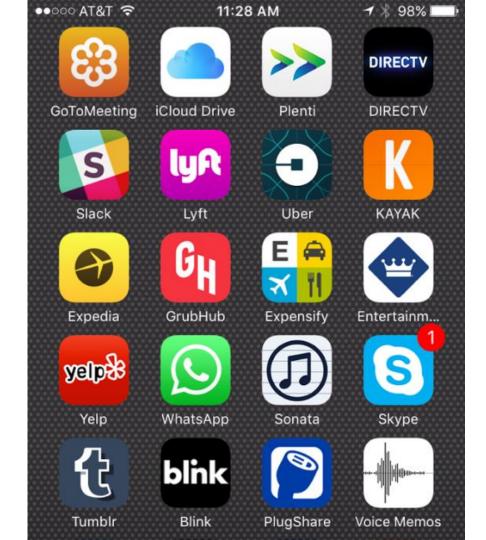


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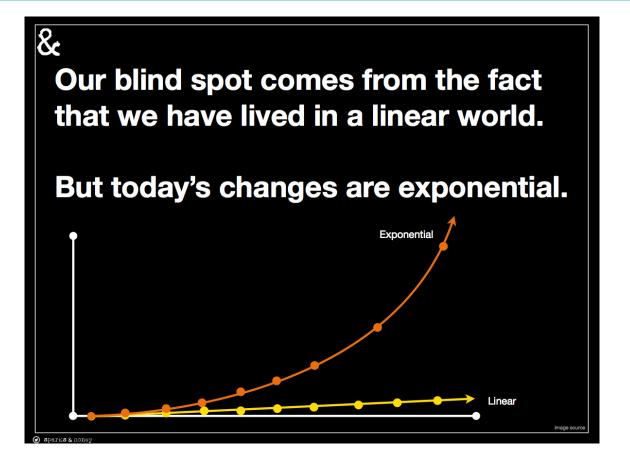
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#### **Exponential organisations**



#### What do they all have in common?

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#### **Exponential growth: information-based**

- Information/software is their currency:
  - LinkedIn
  - Facebook
  - Instagram
  - Canva
  - Afterpay
  - Atlassian

#### What tools are used to increase usage?



#### **Gamification elements**

#### **7 Core Game Mechanics**









Virtual Currency



Awards,

Trading



Leaderboards

Challenges between Users and Gifting



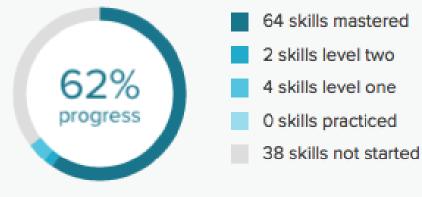
Progress Bar



#### Khan Academy badges

### 7th grade (U.S.)

#### MISSION PROGRESS



Show all skills

### Netflix progress bar

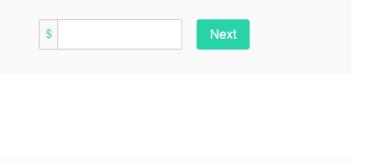
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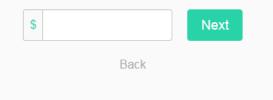
#### Lendi's gamified experience

#### What is the expected purchase price?

Your best guess is OK



How much deposit do you have?



#### What best describes your home buying situation?

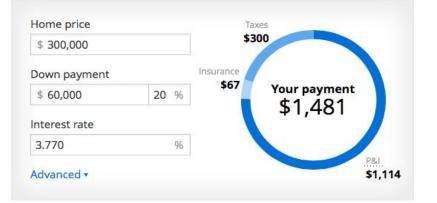
Ready to or just made an offer

Actively looking for a home

Plan to buy in 6 months or so

Just exploring loan options

#### Quizzes & calculators – gamified elements

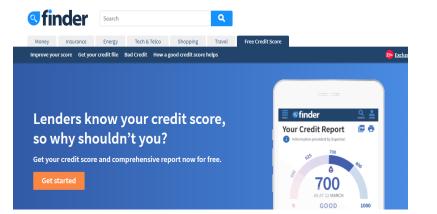


#### Which Mortgage Loan is Right for Me?

Take this quiz to find out which mortgage loan fits best with your needs.





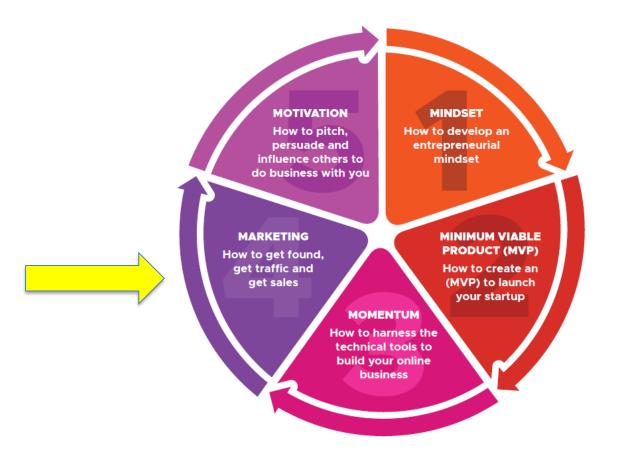




#### 4. Know their audience



#### step process



#### **Know your audience**

- Customer Avatar
- User Persona
- Target Market
- Audience Segment

#### **Know your audience**

- Pick one product/service for today
- Visualise ONE target market for that product/service
- 80/20
  - Most profitable
  - Easiest to reach
  - Fill out the Customer Avatar Sheet

#### Know your audience: pick a product/service

#### Customer Avatar



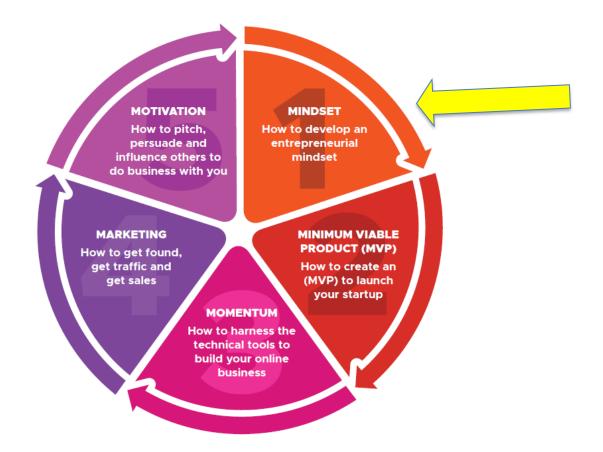
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Country of birth:
Income:
Married/single/other:
Languages spoken:
Favourite TV show:
Favourite social platforms:
1
2
3
Book last read:

# YOUR TURN

#### 5. Look ahead



#### step process



# a) Depth of vision









#### **Consequences of not looking ahead**

#### Kathy Cocovski replaces Tom Krulis as Godfreys CEO



Bazzano

"Godfrey's chairman Rod Walker blamed the poor result on the company's inability to pick a market shift in favour of stick vac-style products, and away from traditional vacuum cleaners."

- The Australian

#### **Consequences of not looking ahead**

#### 1 September 2015 - 30 April 2017



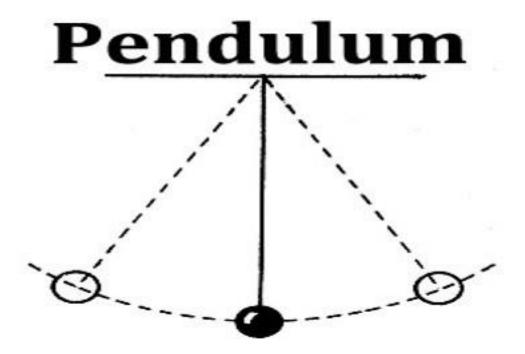
#### **Beauty on Rose: Beautician**



## **b)** Track the trends



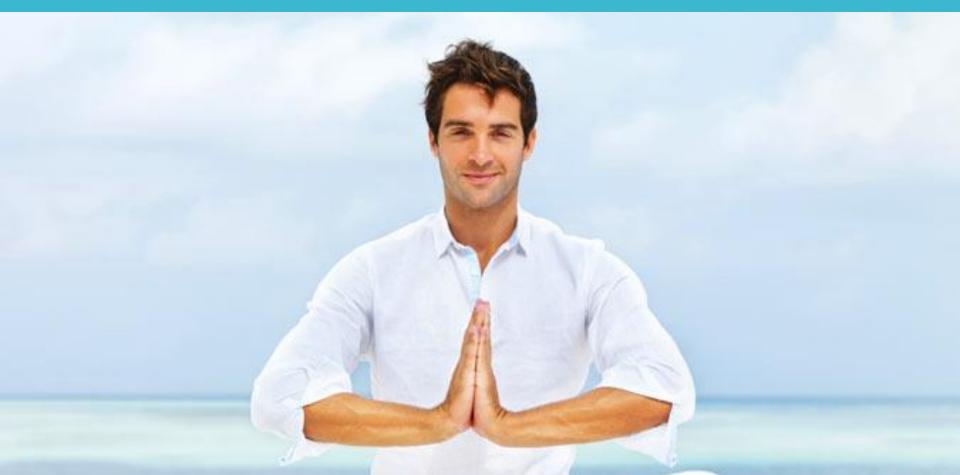
#### Find the opposite of what there's a lot of



# Noise



#### Mindfulness



#### **McMansions**



## **Tiny Houses**



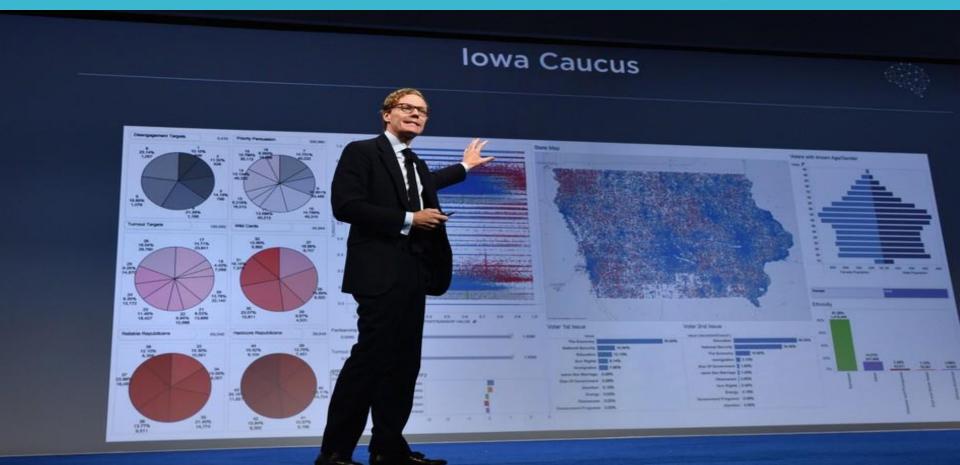
### **Mass marketing**



#### **Mass personalisation**



#### Hyper-niche marketing



#### **Google Trends**

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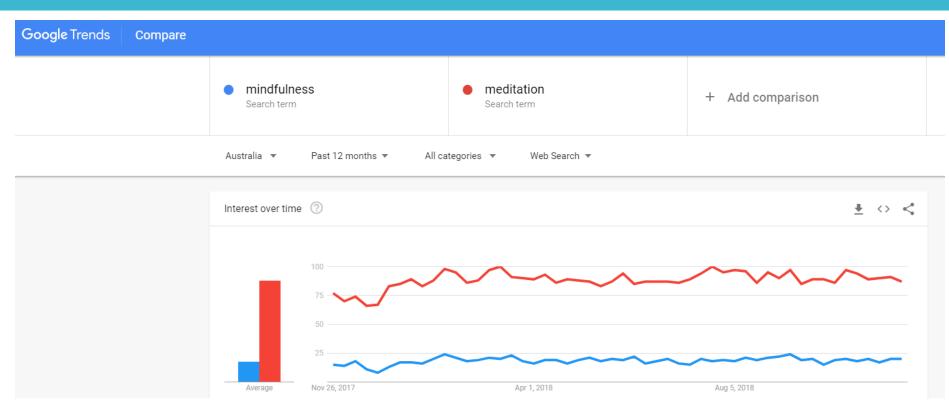
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#### Explore what the world is searching



#### **Compare words for popularity**



#### 'Must-have' tools

# Google Analytics



#### **Think niche**



### **Top 10 online niche hotspots**

- 1. Organic and vegan products
- 2. Pet care and pet products
- 3. Mindfulness for corporates
- 4. Composting and recycling
- 5. Ethical investing
- 6. Fair trade and sustainability
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#### Vegan vs Salami

- Vegan Festival 2<sup>nd</sup> year, 20,000 people
- Salami Festival 8<sup>th</sup> year, 1200 people

#### **Organic foods**



#### \$13.7 billion USD

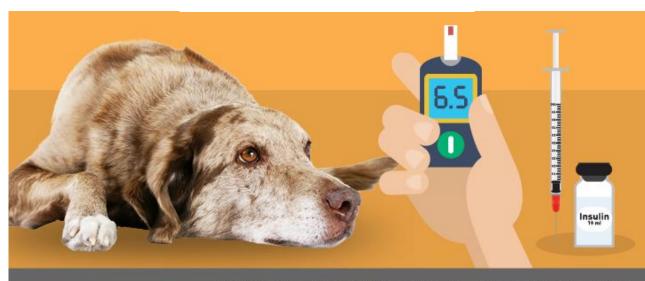
#### Vegan foods





#### Animals are a new target market





#### IS YOUR DOG AT RISK FOR DIABETES? SPOT THE EARLY SIGNS



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# YOUR TURN

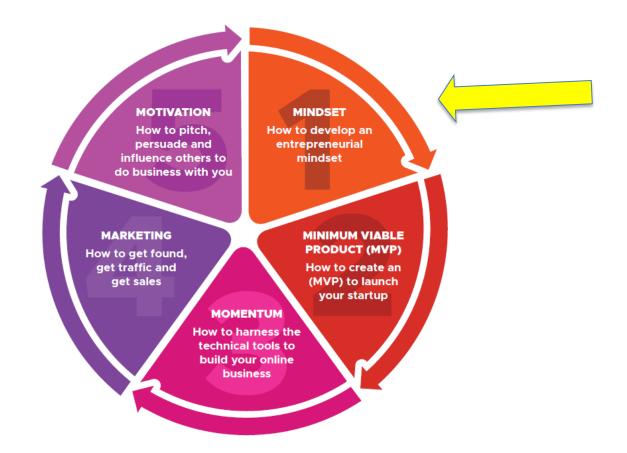
# Trends, niche, depth of vision

- What trends will impact you?
  - Threats/opportunities
- What new niche could you service?
- What new services or products could you create to cater for this market?

# 6. Know what business they're in



# step process



# What business are you in?





# **Travel insurance**



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# **Phone cards**



### Websites and hosting









# **On Tmall via Australia Post**



# Quiz: 5 of the richest men in world are...

- Bill Gates
- Jeff Bezos
- Mark Zuckerberg
- Carlos Slim
- Michael Bloomberg

# What business are you in?



GOOD VINO. REAL MOFOS. EPIC DEALS.

### Collaboration

# Hacker

# Hustler

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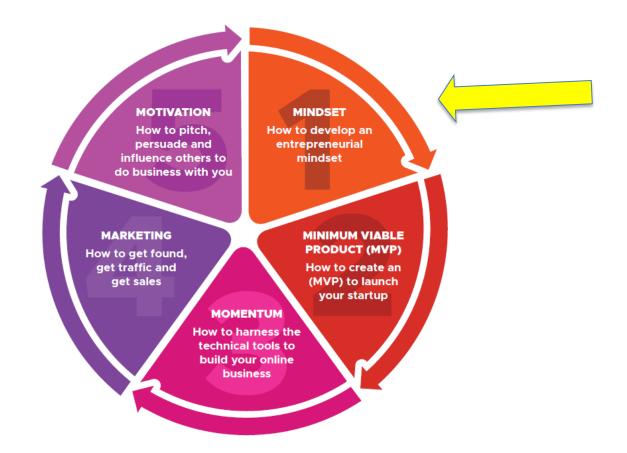
# **Appliances Online - John Winning**

Packaging – design business Pay per click (PPC) – SEM business Web development – UX business Customer calls – Telemarketing business

# 7. Know what problem they solve



# step process

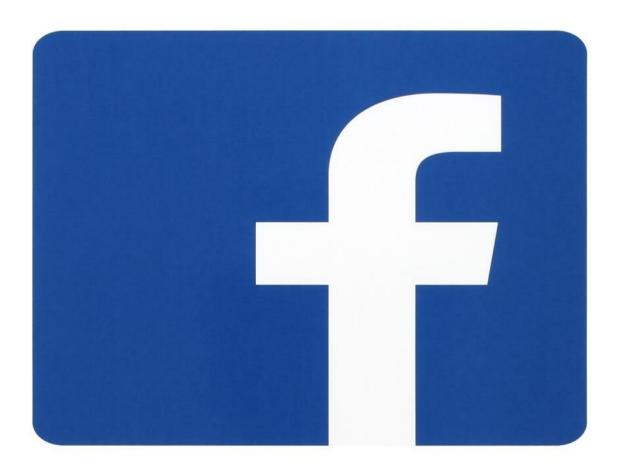




# What problem is yet to be solved?



# GOOD IDEAS GONE?







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#### Meet Rentinglock. Your new smart lock.

#### Generate key in one click

Use our website to send generated code to your tenant

#### Most secure technology

You are secured with the latest coding and can also track when someone used the code. It's 3 times more secure than your credit card.

#### 🕅 No Wi-Fi needed

Our technology is resistant to lack of electricity and Wi-Fi network.



#### Save your time & money



Save time and focus on quality of your services to generate money.

#### Control from anywhere

Manage keys to your apartments from laptop or smartphone.

# WHAT QUESTIONS REVEAL THOSE UNMET NEEDS?

### Innovation arises out of unresolved needs

- Wouldn't it be great if...
- I wish...

• It would be cool if...

### What do you ask?

# WOULDN'T IT BE GREAT IF....

# What am I?

- Wouldn't it be great if...
- We could take a photo, see it for 10

seconds and delete it!



# What am I?

- Wouldn't it be great if...
- I could raise money directly for someone

close to me



#### The World's #1 Personal Fundraising Website

# What am I?

- Wouldn't it be great if...
- The vet could come to my house instead of taking our pet to them

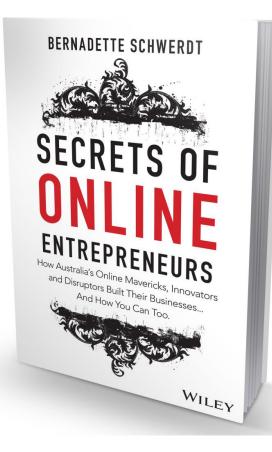


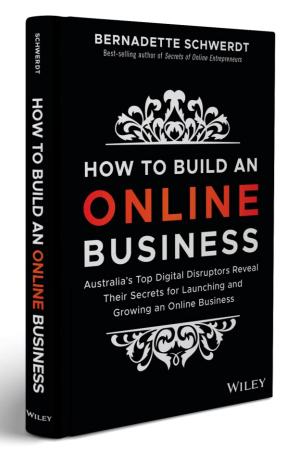
# Vets On Call

Quality Care. Anytime. Anywhere

#### What am I?

- Wouldn't it be great if...
- We could read exactly what tools and processes Australia's top disruptors used to build their online businesses?





#### **Academic English**

• Wouldn't it be great if...

# YOUR TURN

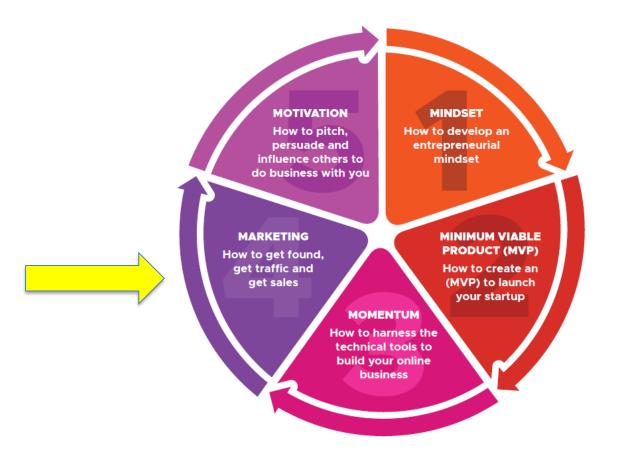
#### Your turn

- Or walk a mile in your customer's shoes ask them to complete this sentence:
  - Wouldn't it be great if...?
- OR ask them...
- Buy your client/s a cup of coffee
- Hold a small focus group

#### 8. Know their point of difference



#### step process



#### **Know your point of difference**



Tech-enabled differentiation:

#### **Recommendation Engines:**

- Barilliance
- Nosto
- **Dynamic Pricing:**
- Skuuudle
- Price2Spy
- Heat map testing –
- Crazy Egg
- Hotjar

#### Point of difference: make it quick



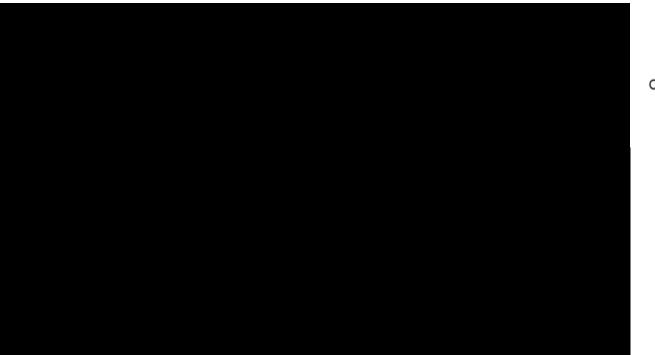
#### Point of difference: make it easy



#### Point of difference: make a difference



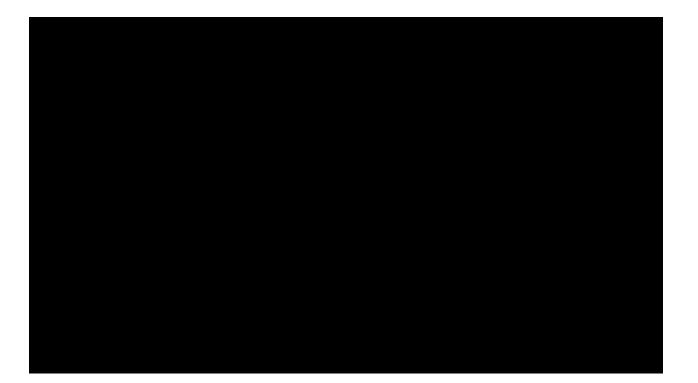
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#### **Point of difference: Make it unique**



#### Point of difference: make it fairly

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#### Point of difference: make it cheap

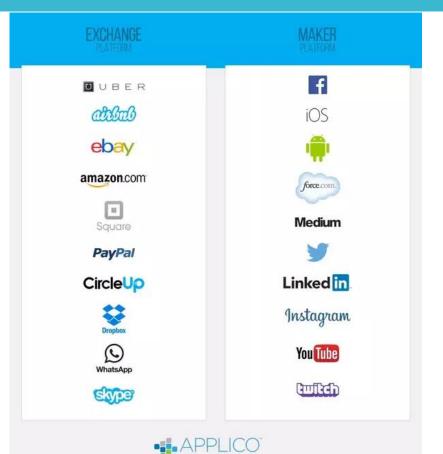


#### Point of difference: make it a subscription



#### **DOLLAR SHAVE CLUB**

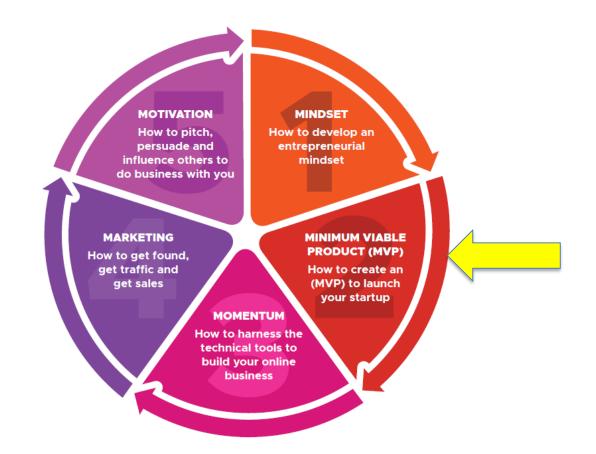
#### Point of difference: be the marketplace



#### 9. Take action



#### step process



#### **Co-founder of LinkedIn**





#### You may have heard me say: If you're not embarrassed by the first version of your product, you've launched too late

#### a) Launch a Minimum Viable Product





#### (minimum viable product)

(product)

#### b) Start small



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#### c) Pivot - Iterate

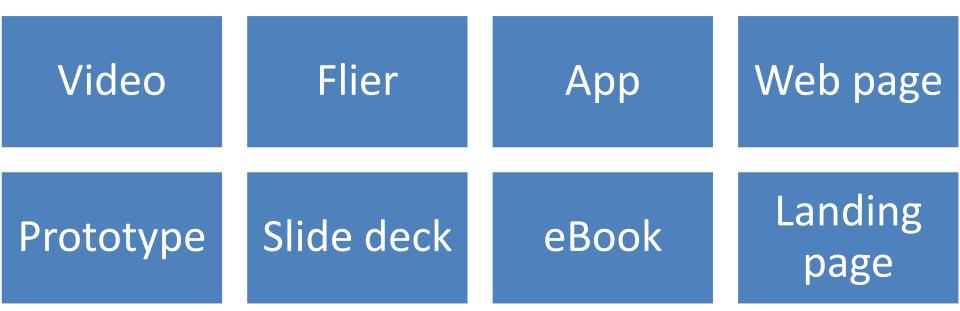




# booktopia



#### d) Choose an MVP



#### e) Ask better questions



- 5 x W
- 1 x H

### WHAT WHERE WHY **WHEN WHO**

# YOUR TURN

#### **Get started**

- What MVP/project could you begin?
- What 'W' questions could you ask to get the project underway?
- Use 'wouldn't it be great if...' ideas
- Avoid 'How' questions if you can
- Could you 'gamify' it to make it fun?

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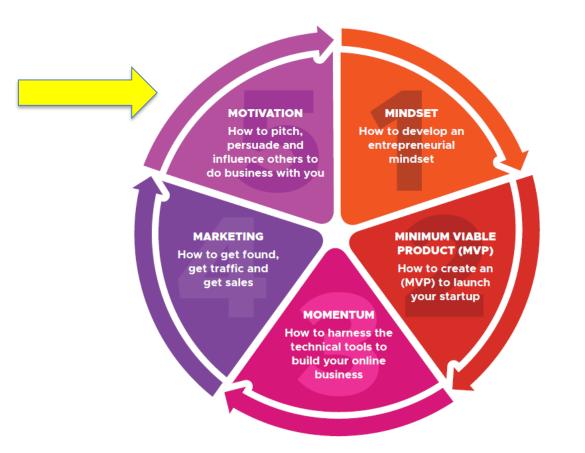


#### Present well, and often



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#### Public speaking as a marketing strategy

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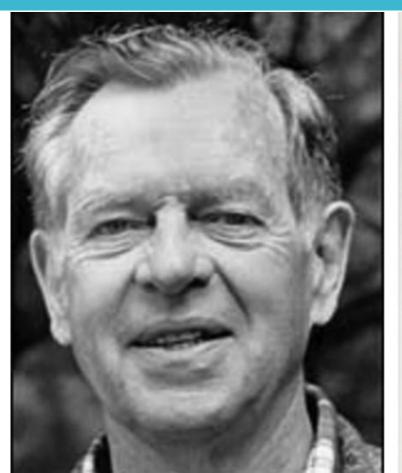


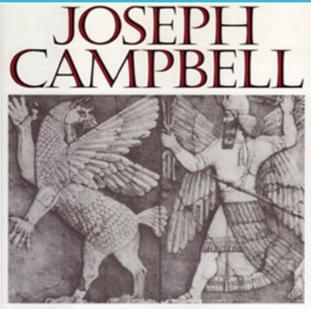
# FACTS TELL STORIES SELL

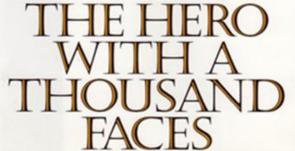
#### How I nearly killed my family



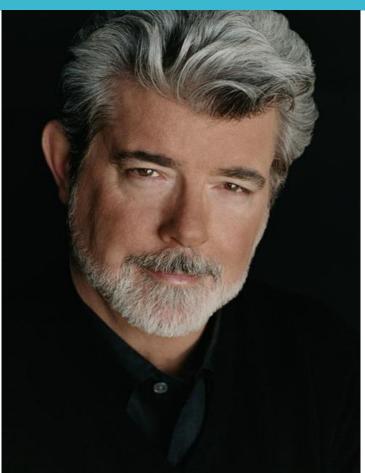
#### How to structure a successful story



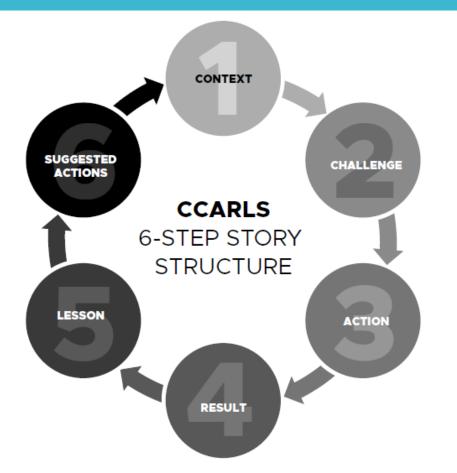




#### The hero's journey



#### **CCARLS: 6-Step Story Structure**



### Why tell a story?



#### What headline would the newspaper use?



## '3000 people under 30 died last year in road accidents in **Queensland**.'

### '29-year-old **Brisbane mother of** two dies in car crash...'

#### Which story made a difference?



#### What story should you tell?

• What's your point?













## BUSINESS OBJECTIVES

#### And the moral of the story is...



# BIGGER IS BETTER

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# GOOD THINGS **COME IN** SMALL PACKAGES

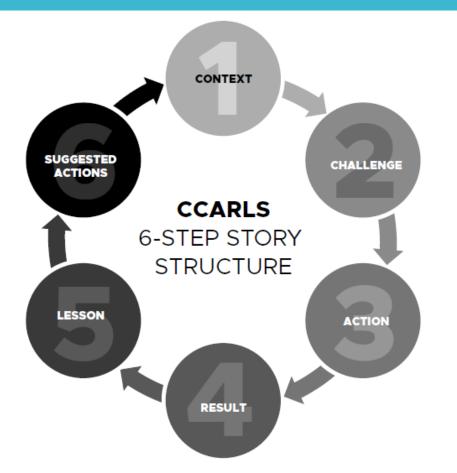
## GOOD THINGS TAKE TIME

# SHE WHO HESITATES **IS LOST**

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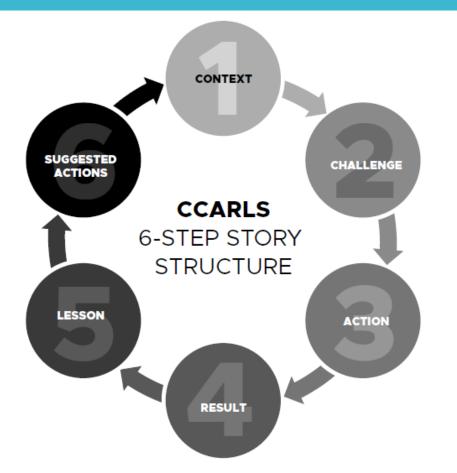
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#### 2. 'What we stand for' stories

 Could you share with me a time when a principle that is important to you became not-negotiable?

#### **CCARLS: 6-Step Story Structure**



## YOUR TURN



- What's a story you can tell?
- How can it help convey a key message?
- Follow the structure

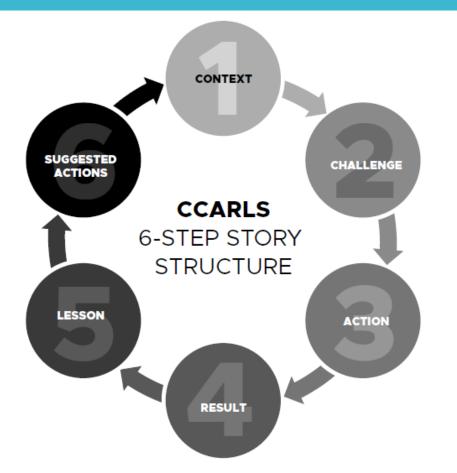
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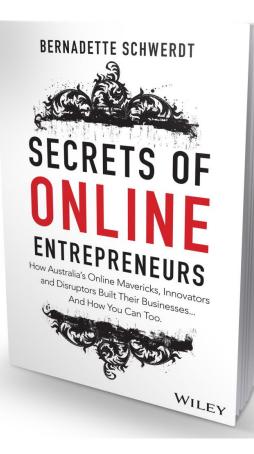
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