

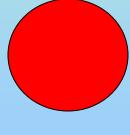




Obj set in consultation with Marketing Department

Some Examples of Personal selling objectives:

- Maintain existing customer base
- Obtain 20% new customers
- Motivate Dealers- maintain 1 month stocks
- Keep existing customers informed of new Product
- Provide technical service within 48 Hrs of call.
- Train Middlemen (dealer) on Customer Care





Case on Personal Selling Objective- Case-1

A credit card company is Planning to set it's personal selling objectives based on the following feedback it received from the sales department and the DSAs of the company.

Average customers are not aware of the complete product benefits of credit cards.

The DSA,s do not have skilled and trained Manpower.

The conversion % in the assignment base chosen has been just 5%. The industry standard is 15% conversion.

The customer base of this company ranks within the last three among the 10 players in this business.

Based on the above please prepare personal Selling Objective for this organization

SALES RELATED MARKETING POLICIES



Product Policy- What to Sell Distribution policy-Whom to Sell Pricing Policy- What price to sell

The degree of authority for above varies in different companies





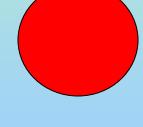
PRODUCT POLICY

Product line Policy

- Changes in product offering
- Re organizing product / line simplification
- •Re organization of Product line / Diversification
- Ideas of new Product
- Appraisal of proposal of New Products

Product design Policy

Product Quality/ Service PolicyGuarantee Policy







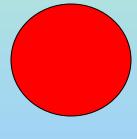
DISTRIBUTION POLICY

Policy on Marketing Channels

Channel wise sales volume potential Channel wise net profitability

Policy on Distribution Intensity

Mass distribution
Selective Distribution
Exclusive agency distribution









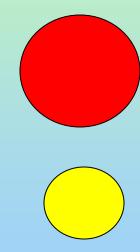
Case-II Sales Management

Product Related Policy:

A Multi Product and Multi Brand company has eight brands in the product range of Toilet soaps.

The contributions of various products are as follows:

	% of Profit	Turn over contribution
PRODUCT A	9%	8%
PRODUCT B	11%	9%
PRODUCT C	14%	12%
PRODUCT D	6%	18%
PRODUCT E	2%	11%
PRODUCT F	-4%	22%
PRODUCT G	15%	16%
PRODUCT H	-2%	4%



Discuss on options of Product Line Policy





Policy on Distribution Intensity

- Mass distribution
- Selective Distribution
- Exclusive agency distribution



PRICING POLICY

Competition Related Pricing

Matching the competitor's pricing Pricing above competitor Pricing under Competition

Pricing related to costs

Full cost pricing Promotional Pricing Contribution pricing (covering variable cost)



Buyer Based pricing

- Based on Volume
- Frequency of purchase
- Geographical location of customer

List Pricing (Regulated Pricing for middlemen)

- Recommended & control dealer price
- Leads to customer satisfaction
- Helps fight competition uniformly
- Consider freight, Govt levies, taxes and other costs of dealer

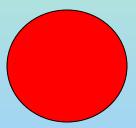


Policy on Discounts

- Wholesaler, Retailer discounts
- Turn over discount
- Selective product discount

Geographical pricing Policy

- •FOB (Free on Board) (ex works, factory)-used to heavy products industrial products.
- Delivered prices (postage stamp pricing)









Policy on Price leadership

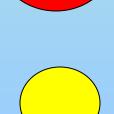
Industry leader sets price and other follow Example: egg, cement, petrol etc

Product line Pricing

Multiple product pricing structure Planned enhancement Mutual advantage pricing

Competitive bidding policy

Closed tenders
Open tenders



PERSONAL SELLING STRATEGY

- Kind of Sales force
- Size of the Sales force
- Appropriate deployment





Competitive settings and personal selling strategy

- Pure Competition
- Monopolistic Competition
- Oligopolistic Competition
- No Direct Competition





Pure Competition

- Many players
- No specific player dominates market
- No single player influence demand & supply Marjory
- No Govt Regulations on pricing or supply

This hardly exists. If it does-personal selling strategy should be:

- Better Service to the customers(Presale & Post Sale)
- Organizational efficiency
- Cost Management





Oligopolistic Competition

- Smaller groups of companies join together
- They know each other
- Makes difficult for new entrants
- Competitors activities are closing watched
- Personal selling helps in maintaining dealer cooperation, servicing distribution network
- Personal selling effectively uses promotional strategy



No Direct competition

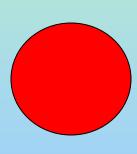
- No Direct Competition, but have in direct competition through substitutes
- They would capitalize no competition situation
- Price skimming or penetration strategy used.
- Should aim at vast coverage of market
- Personal selling should use pricing and promotion strategy to its advantage.





Personal Selling Strategy Based on

Whom to Sell What to Sell How to Sell





Product Market analysis-Case-III Example for a Cellular company

	CORPORATE	SMES	BUSINESS/ PROFESSIONS	GOVT
GROUP BOOKING				
FREQUENT				
CALLER SCHEME				
LOW CALLER				
SCHEME				
PREPAID				
SERVICES				

Identify Whom, What and How to sell?



Determining the size of the sales force

Work load method

Decide assignment base
Classify based on time needed / calls needed
Determine calls per day/ month/ year
Divide it by assignment base to arrive at number
of Sales personnel needed.





Sales Potential method

Productivity based system

Consider average productivity

Divide the target with productivity to arrive at sales persons needed

Incremental Method

Based on expected increase in cost/revenue per sales personnel added
Cost Benefit compared and decision is taken
This is a good cost conscious and result oriented method





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"I'd like to offer you a seven-figure salary-\$13,525.95"







"I like to come in at 11:00 and leave after lunch.
Surely a progressive company like yours
supports flex time!"



Who should interview?

Branch head with his assist—initial interview Shortlist candidate—Reg head or sales chief

How many in the panel?

Depends on type of job Institutional Sales- Panel recommended Direct Sales Sales- Sales Manager with his Assist/

HR Rep



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"My short-term goal is to bluff my way through this job interview. My long-term goal is to invent a time machine so I can come back and change everything I've said so far."





Interviewing the spouse

- Check for frequent travelling
- Check for working hours
- Check for independence





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"I believe in paying my employees as much as they need. Since you'll be here working 90 hours a week, you won't need much."



Interview Techniques

Patterned Interview

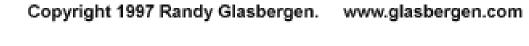
- Have a structured interview
- Job based questions

Non Directive Interview

- Open ended questions
- Seek for narration of personal info, job exp, skills, strengths, weakness
- Judge based on responses









"Your job would be to keep my chair warm when I'm out and rub against my feet when I slip off my shoes. You seem qualified, but we'd prefer a college graduate."



Interaction (Stress Interview)

Simulate Selling Environment

Set up situation to understand psychological behavior

Need trained psychologists

Rating Scales method

Rate each response in scale of suitability for job.

Physical appearance

Impact on others

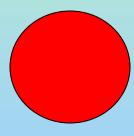
Communication

Experience

Attitude

Objections handling skills

This eliminates gender, creed, religion bias.

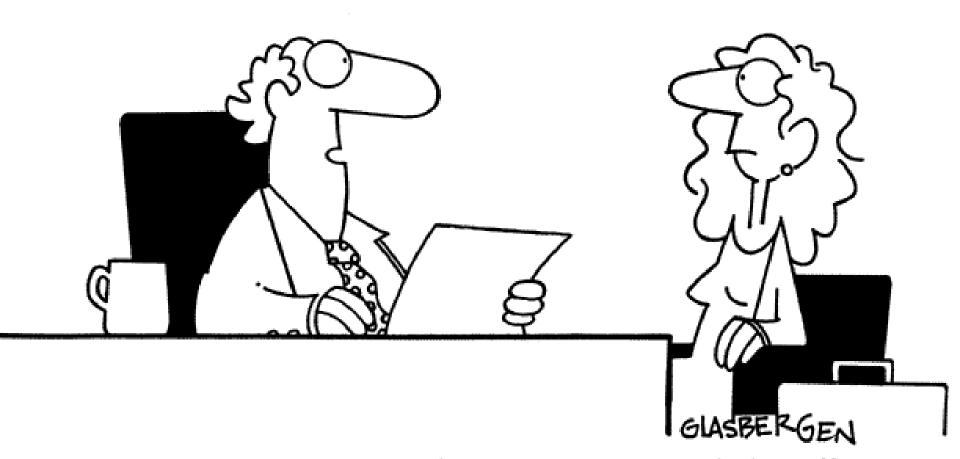








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"We encourage our employees to sweeten their coffee with toothpaste instead of sugar. That's our dental plan."



Credit checks

- Check on credit rating
- Check for large debts
- Check for Financial Responsibility

Psychological tests

The following test can be conducted based on type of selling assignment

- Sales aptitude test
- Attitudinal tests
- Test for creativity
- Industry knowledge
- Habitual characteristics
- Interest areas





"That's right, Godzilla. We'd like to hire you to hang around our parking lot, look dangerous, and make the rest of our problems look tiny by comparison."

Role Play on Interview

Each team will have to conduct an role play based on discussion on the following aspects of selecting a front line sales personnel for service Industry (Telecom Industry) for handling corporate sales.

The non-directive interview should have the cover the following aspects:

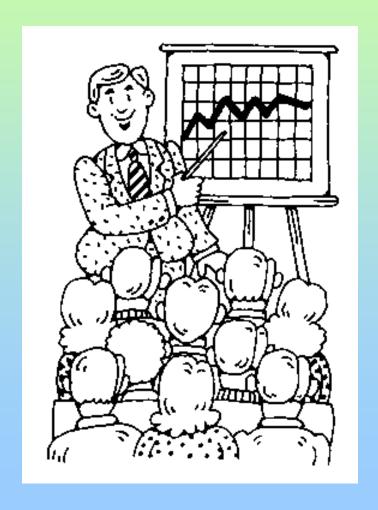
- Put the candidate at ease
- Find attitude towards selling
- Ability to handle objections
- Candidate's positive attitude
- Customer friendly attitude

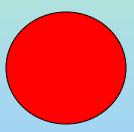
Rate on the above parameters and give your feedback. Evaluation would be done on the Interviewer.





PLANING SALES TRAINING



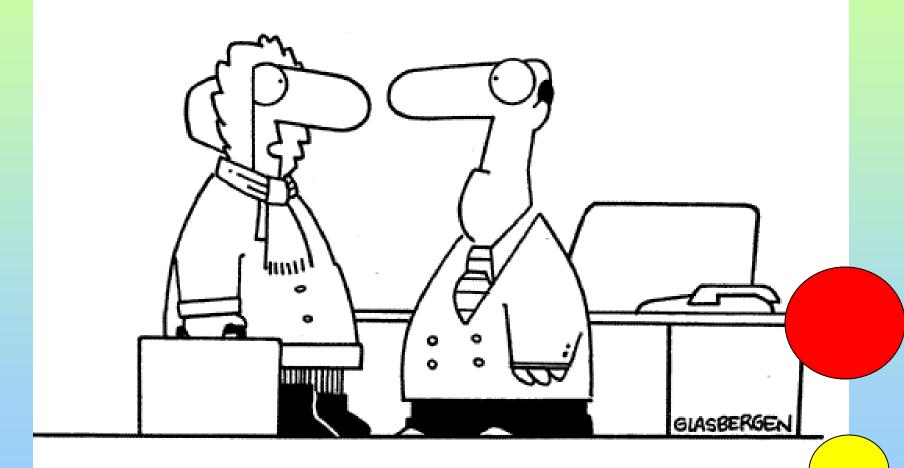








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"I have a confession. I skipped Sales Training the day they taught us how to make cold calls."



Need for Training

- Training is a means to supplement and share experience
- Reduces initial turn over of Sales personnel
- It replaces the old method of "swim or sink"

Types of Training Programs

- Trg for new recruits
- Re orientation training for existing sales executives



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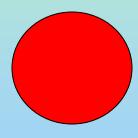
"You forgot Rule #1: You're never fully dressed without a smile!"

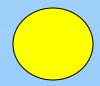




Following are aspects involved in Training programs

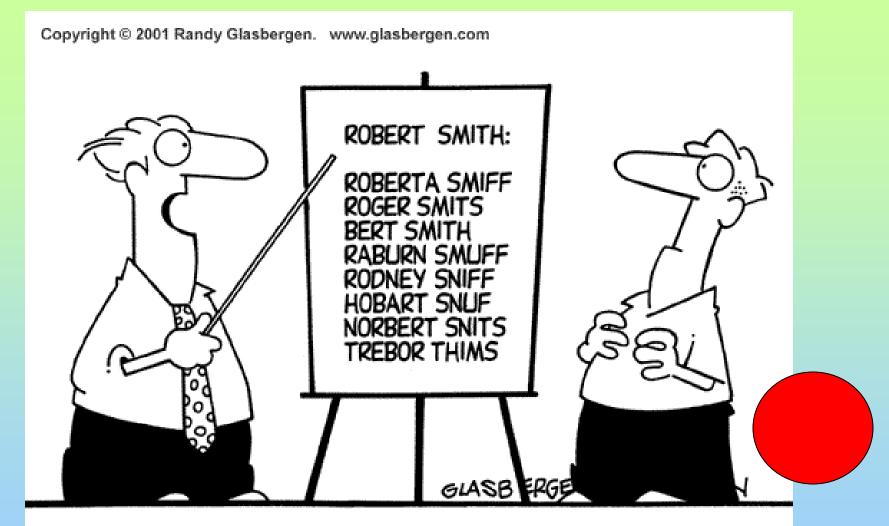
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- C -- Content
- M -- Method
- **E** -- Execution
- **E** -- Evaluation











"You'll never make it as a telemarketer if you keep pronouncing names correctly! Now try it again!"





Aim

- Define job specifications
- Trainee's background and experience
- Sales related Marketing policies

Content

- Product knowledge
- Sales Technique
- Market Information
- Company profile



Method

- Lecture method
- Personal Conference/ meeting
- Demonstration method
- Role Playing
- Case Study method
- Gaming
- On the job Training
- Programmed Training (self Interactive CD/ Interactive)
- Correspondence Course