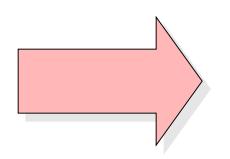
LP-5 SEMINAR

Sales & Marketing: Qualities of Top Salespeople & Understanding the Customer

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Relationship Selling



A sales practice that involves building, maintaining, and enhancing interactions with customers in order to develop longterm satisfaction through mutually beneficial partnerships.

What is Marketing?



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American Marketing Association Definition

Marketing is the process of planning and executing the conception, pricing, promotion, and distribution of ideas, goods, and services to create exchanges that satisfy individual and organizational goals.

Steps in the Selling Process

Generate Leads Qualify Leads Probe Customer Needs Develop Solutions Handle Objections Close the Sale Follow Up

Effective Sales Leaders

Effective Sales Leaders... Are assertive Possess ego drive Possess ego strength Take risks Are innovative Have a sense of urgency Are empathetic

Ways to build partnerships and goodwill

- Maintain the perspective that the customer's interest is paramount.
- Remember customers between calls.
- **▶** Build perceptions of trust.
- Monitor order processing
- **♦** Ensure proper initial use of the product or service.
- **♦** Help in servicing the product.
- Provide expert guidance and suggestions.
- → Provide any necessary special assistance.
- **→** Handle customer complaints efficiently and effectively.

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Major components of trust and their relationship to partnerships

Dependability

Customer Orientation

Competence

Likeability

Honesty

Trust

Bond needed for a partnership

Identify specific actions you could take as a salesperson to provide evidence of your expertise, reliability, and concern for the buyer.

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