Marketing Basics





Marketing

 Marketing is the activity, set of institutions, and processes for creating, communicating, delivering, and exchanging offerings that have value for customers, clients, partners and society at large. (Definition from AMA)



Marketing Concept

- The idea of satisfying a customers' needs and wants in order to make a profit.
- Businesses must have the right goods and services at the right time, at the right price, and in the right place.
 - In addition, the marketer must determine a plan of communicating to potential customers.





Marketing Functions





Product & Service Management

- Products and Services that meet consumer needs are created by:
 - Designing
 - Developing
 - Maintaining
 - Improving
 - Acquiring



The items are all products that are marketed to people. The marketer must use product management.



Distribution

Determining the best ways for customers to locate, obtain, and use the products and services of an organization.





Selling

- Communicating directly with potential customers to determine and satisfy their needs.
 - In person
 - By telephone
 - Over the Internet





Marketing-Information Management

Obtaining, managing, and using market information to improve business decision-making and the performance of marketing activities.

Higher Profits

- Reduced costs
- Higher response
 rates
- Maximized lifetime value

Enhanced Marketing

- · Improved customer acquisition
- · Up-sell and cross-sell opportunities
- Superior lists
- More optimum marketing mix

Superior Customer & Prospect Knowledge

- Customer profiles
- Biggest spenders
 Market penetration
- Best & worst segments
 Key characteristics
- Projected campaign profits

Improved Data

- Business, consumer & other data appends
- Standardized addresses, NCOA, geocoding...
- Customer metrics
- Superior marketing information & reports



Financial Analysis

- Budgeting for marketing activities.
- Obtaining the necessary funds needed for operations.
- Providing financial assistance to customers in order to purchase a business' products and services.



The Marketing Mix

- Four basic marketing strategies are known as:
 The Four P's of Marketing
 - Product
 - Price
 - Promotion
 - Place





Product

- The goods and services that a business provides to sell to their market.
- Deciding what product to make, what brand name to use, and what image to project.
- Things to consider when developing a product:
 - Quality
 - Design
 - Features
 - Packaging
 - Customer Service





Pricing

- The amount of money that customers must pay in order to purchase products.
- □ Things to consider:
 - What customers are willing and able to pay
 - Price setting
 - Discounting
 - Credit/Cash Purchases
 - Credit Collection





Promotion

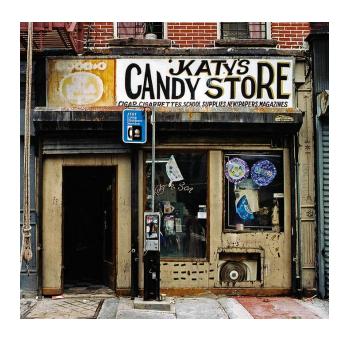
- Communicating the benefits and value of a product to customers.
- Persuading customers by the following methods:
 - Advertising
 - Direct Marketing
 - Personal Selling
 - Sales Promotion





Place

- The distribution, location, and methods of routing the product to the customers.
- □ Place includes:
 - Location of the business
 - Shop front
 - Distributors
 - Logistics
 - Potential use of the Internet





Marketing Strategy

- Marketing activities often cost 50% or more of the selling price of a product or service.
- Marketing planning is aimed at satisfying customer needs better than competitors, resulting in sales and profits.
- A company's plan that identifies use of marketing to achieve the goals is called a marketing strategy.



Marketing Strategy

- Developing a marketing strategy is a two-step process.
 - Step One: Identify a target market.
 - Target market: a specific group of consumers with similar wants and needs.
 - Step Two: Create a marketing mix.
 - Marketing mix: the blending of four marketing elements – product, distribution, price, and promotion.



Marketing Strategy

- Marketing orientation considers the needs of customers when developing a marketing mix.
- No assumptions!
 - Research will be needed to make sure that companies know what customers want.



Carnival Cruise and the 4 P's





Product (Quality, Features)

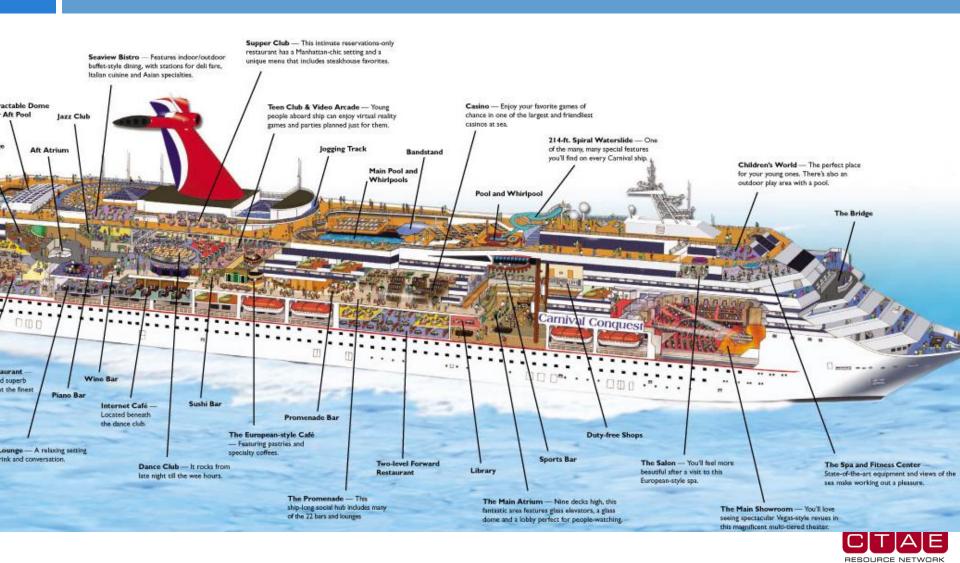


Promotion (Video)





Place (Location, Map)



Price (Cruise Package)



Well – Known Products of Your Generation















