

# BUILD A LEAD GENERATION MACHINE THAT GETS RESULTS WITH AI

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## **BEYOND THE BASICS:**

## 8 KEY COMPONENTS OF A LEAD GEN MACHINE, WITH AI SUPPORT

**01/ FOUNDATION** 

**05/ CRM** 

**02/STRATEGY** 

06/ EMAIL

03/ WEBSITE

**07/ DIGITAL ADS** 

**04/OFFERS** 

**08/ AUTOMATION** 



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## **FOUNDATION**

#### **CLEAR BRAND STANDARDS**

- BRAND USAGE All departments should employ the same brand standards and templates. Consistency builds trust with your prospects.
- VOICE- A consistent brand voice is essential for creating a strong and cohesive brand identity.

### Logo

The LAIRE logo is a word mark with a box encompassing the entire word. The A in the logo is representative of LAIRE core values, which are: growth and upward movement. The A can also be used as a stand-alone icon.

#### PRIMARY LOGO



#### SUPPORTING ICON



#### **SECONDARY LOGOS**









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>>Brand Development Resource:
How Brand Consistency (and Rock-Solid Brand Guidelines) Generate Revenue

#### **CLEARLY DEFINED PERSONAS**

- No assumptions; conduct interviews!
- Pains, pains, pains
- Where are they and how do we reach them?
   (social, ads, emails, events)

>>Buyer Persona Resource: Inbound Marketing Best Practice: The Secret to Creating B2B Buyer Personas Based on our goals, targeted content should be created for personas defined by their role (users and promoter).







Retirement Planner Ryan



**Evangelist Ed** 

BUYER PERSONA!

## Evangelist Ed

Ed oversees a group of financial planners and needs a financial planning software that is easy to use and supports the bottom line.

#### Background

- Later in career, 50s to 60s
- Is a decision-maker at his organization; may be a Director or Consultant
- Organization is likely a small to medium financial services or life insurance (annuity) company
- 10-25 or less than 50 employees, 1 or 2 person shop
- Is a software promoter, working to onboard software company-wide and create buy-in from users

#### Problems/Challenges/Pains

- Simplifying complex financial data into more accessible snap-shots for team of advisors and their clients
- Finding a financial software solution that: is easy for his team and their clients to learn and use; offers on-demand training
  modules for self-paced learning; is Zoom-friendly, interactive, and uses real-time data; provides reliable data encryption,
  security, and backups; integrates seamlessly with existing systems
- Building awareness and buy-in of selected financial software within his dispersed team

#### Keywords

financial planning software, enterprise financial planning software, corporate financial planning software, financial planning software for advisors, financial planning software comparison, best financial planning software for professionals



#### DEFINING PERSONAS WITH AI

Al can help you identify your audience's top pain points. Keep in mind, you'll get better outputs if you give the tool as many details as possible — for example, role, industry, etc.





You're a financial services firm trying to target an audience of soon-to-be retirees looking for help with retirement planning. What are some challenges and pain points this audience might face?



Absolutely, here are some challenges and pain points that soon-to-be retirees might face when it comes to retirement planning:







- 1. Financial Uncertainty: As retirement approaches, individuals may experience uncertainty about whether their savings and investments will be sufficient to maintain their desired lifestyle throughout their retirement years.
- 2. Lack of Clarity: Many soon-to-be retirees struggle to determine how much they'll need to save, invest, and allocate for healthcare costs, travel, and other expenses during retirement.
- 3. Complexity of Investment Options: Navigating the myriad of investment choices can be overwhelming, particularly for those who lack experience in financial markets and instruments.
- 4. **Healthcare Costs:** Healthcare expenses tend to rise as people age, and the prospect of managing these costs during retirement can be a source of stress.

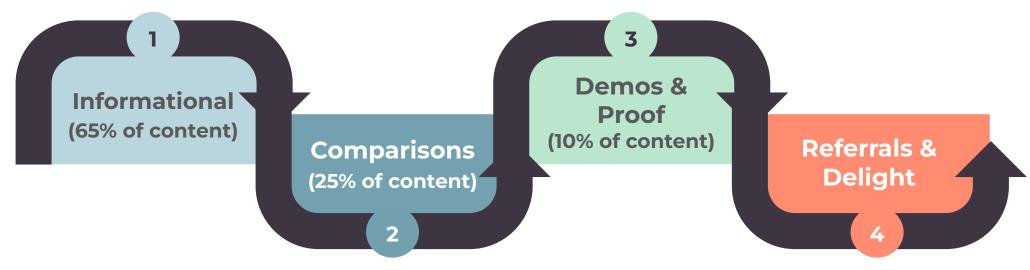
## **CONTENT AT EVERY STAGE**

### **AWARENESS**

Realizes they have a problem to solve and becomes aware of potential solutions in the market

### **DECISION**

Has narrowed down their options and is ready to make a purchase



## **CONSIDERATION**

Evaluates different options and considers potential solutions that could address their needs

## **CUSTOMER**

Evaluates purchase experience and may provide feedback, write reviews, and share their experiences with others

## **CONTENT AT EVERY STAGE**

## AI PROMPT:

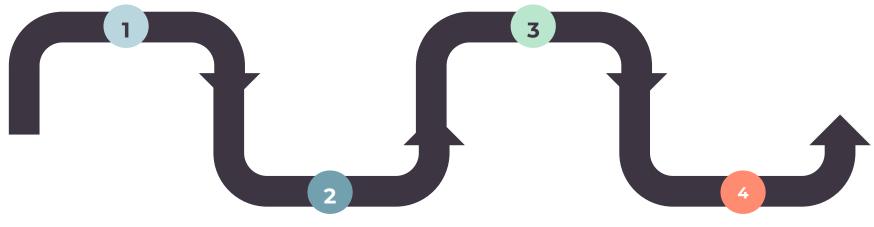
You're a financial services firm trying to target an audience of soon-to-be retirees looking for help with retirement planning. Provide ideas for blogs, downloadable offers, and other content for each stage of this audience's buyer's journey.

#### **AWARENESS**

**Offer:** The Ultimate Guide to Financial Planning for Retirees

#### **DECISION**

Case Study: How X Financial Services
Firm Helped Soon-to-Be Retiree Save for
the Future and Protect Their Legacy



### CONSIDERATION

**Blog:** Benefits of Hiring a Retirement Financial Planner vs DIY

## CUSTOMER

**Email:** Refer a Friend and Save on Your Retirement Planning Package

### **DEFINE GOALS**

Brainstorm with your leadership team to define overarching company goals and inform marketing KPIs

### **IDENTIFY KPIS**

- Vanity metrics don't inform lead conversions
- Ensure KPIs are S.M.A.R.T. (Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Relevant, Timely)
- Define the benchmarks that will show progress toward your goals
- Think outside website visits (track exit rate, post interactions, bounce rate, new visitor, returning visitors, etc.)



#### **FINANCIAL SERVICES CASE STUDY**

Financial Planning Firm Boosts Conversion Rate by 1180%

#### MANUFACTURING CASE STUDY

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Propels Manufacturer,
\$100k Closed in 1 Month



#### CASE STUDIES

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READ CASE STUDY →

## WEBSITE TRACKING, MAPPED TO GOALS



### **CLOSED CLIENTS**

## STRATEGY

## **Strategy Before Tactics**

## WHERE ARE YOU AS A BUSINESS / YOUR PRODUCTS?

- Awareness building stage? Still developing solutions?
- Or presenting fully formed solutions and education to your prospects?

#### WHERE ARE YOU DIGITALLY?

- No traffic, need exposure?
- Already generating traffic, but no hook for leads?
- Getting leads but they're not qualified?

>> Marketing Strategy Resource: Marketing Strategy vs. Marketing Plan - What's the Difference.

## STRATEGY

## Where are you digitally?

## No traffic, need exposure?

AI PROMPT:

You are a marketer creating a plan for a [industry] business that specializes in [key products or services] for [target audience]. Outline key social platforms the business should have a presence on to reach its audience.

## Already generating traffic, but no hook for leads?

AI PROMPT:

Create an engaging CTA for [describe topic].

## Getting leads but they're not qualified?

AI PROMPT:

You are a paid media marketer. Create a Google search ad keyword strategy about [topic] that targets individuals who are [buyer intent].

## WEBSITE

Optimize your website for lead generation *beyond* content and SEO.





## **MESSAGING**

- ✓ DO: Center your messaging around your personas' pain points
- ✓ DO: Use "you" statements
- **DO:** Incorporate smart content

DO YOU NEED TO FIND THE RIGHT MARKETING SOLUTION FAST?

Struggling to generate new leads and grow sales opportunities? If so, you're not alone.

## MESSAGING

#### AI PROMPT:



Generate 5 catchy slogan ideas for a residential construction business called Philly Builders that specializes in home remodels for multi-generational households.



1. "Building Homes, Uniting Generations: Philly Builders"



- 2. "Creating Spaces for Every Generation: Philly Builders"
- 3. "Renovating Homes, Strengthening Bonds: Philly Builders"
- 4. "Crafting Homes for Lifelong Memories: Philly Builders"
- 5. "Transforming Houses into Multi-Generational Havens: Philly Builders"

- ✓ DO: Include multiple conversion points per page/blog
  - Low risk: Subscribe to our blog
  - Medium risk: Download our free guide
  - **High risk:** Request a consultation

>> Website Conversion Resource:
6 Strategies to Increase Conversions
on Your B2B Website

### Would you convert on this?

#### **Blog Post**

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#### ...or this?

#### **Blog Post**

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Get the complete guide to [blog post topic].

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> Callout with Embedded Form

**X** DON'T: Rely on dull and overused language for your CTAs (Submit, Download, Get Started)

Are you struggling to streamline internal processes, prove ROI with better KPIs, and keep up with marketing tasks that constantly derail your day?

Help has arrived!

BE A BETTER MARKETER

## Blogging but not seeing results?

If you want better engagement and more leads without hours and hours of work, blog templates are the solution you've been looking for.

**MAKE MY LIFE EASIER** 

AI PROMPT:

Take the following call-to-action and convert the tone to [describe tone]: [list CTA copy].

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- **DO:** Use best practices with forms
  - Ask for only what you need
  - Inject personality where appropriate
  - Forms should be progressive

## Book my assessment.

First Name*	Last Name*
Business Email*	Phone Number*
Company Name*	Website URL*
Job Title	
protected by reCAPTCHA	

LET'S DIVE IN

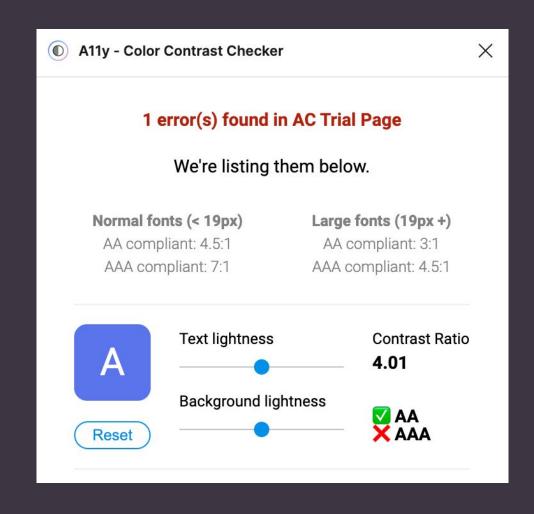
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### Please tell us a bit about yourself:

Business Email*	Phone number*
What industry are you in?	
Please Select	•
Message	
Please tell us more	
Do you have and use a marketing	ng plan?
○ Yes	
○ No	
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be an effective amount. If you a	re a product/retail business,
this is hare minimum)	

## ACCESSIBILITY & ADA COMPLIANCE

- ✓ DO: Test your website structure and assets for all abilities
  - Contrast of text colors
  - Appropriate font size
  - Test tap points of buttons
  - Alt text for all, including images, call to action buttons, and charts
  - Clear and expressive button text tell them where they're going



## AI WEBSITE OPTIMIZATION



You are a marketer planning a new website for your company that specializes in financial services for dentists. Outline what key web pages need to be present on the site for this audience to maximize sales.



Outline for a Financial Services for Dentists Website:

- I. Home Page
- A. Introduction
- 1. Brief overview of the company's financial services for dentists
- 2. Engaging headline and imagery
- B. Value Proposition
- 1. Clear benefits of choosing your financial services
- C. Call to Action
- 1. Encourage visitors to explore services or contact the company
- D. Trust Signals
- 1. Testimonials from satisfied dentist clients
- 2. Certifications or affiliations with relevant industry organizations
- E. Blog Highlights
- 1. Links to recent, informative blog posts
- F. Contact Information
- 1. Phone number, email, and contact form
- G. Navigation Menu
- 1. Links to other key pages
- II. Services
- A. Overview of Financial Services

## AI PROMPTS:

"You are a marketer planning a new website for your company that specializes in [key products or services] for [target audience]. Outline what key web pages need to be present on the site for this audience to maximize sales."

#### "You are a UX designer.

Create an intuitive website navigation structure for a [industry] website with the following content: [list key webpage topics]."

#### "You are a web developer.

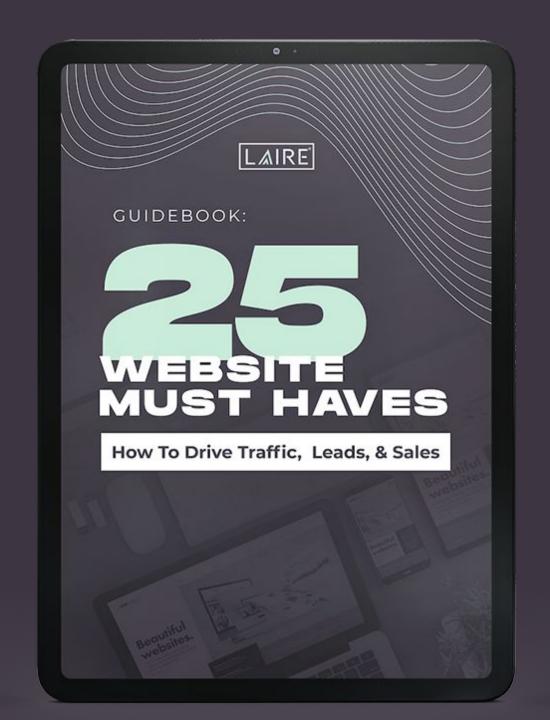
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## RESOURCE

## 25 WEBSITE MUST-HAVES How to Drive Traffic, Leads & Sales

- How to get found online with search engine optimization (SEO), including building inbound links, meta tags, and more
- Important design and usability factors you need to know
- Tips for creating content that attracts and keeps visitors on your website

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## **CONTENT OFFERS & LEAD MAGNETS**

- **DO:** Switch up and expand your offer format
- Podcasts
- Webinars
- Infographics
- Interactive Demos
- Videos

- Exclusive Communities
- Courses
- Quizzes
- Calculators
- Templates





#### **EMPLOYEE RELIEF**

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## **UNGATED VS. GATED CONTENT**

Ungated content can be a powerful tool for building brand awareness, increasing website traffic, and establishing thought leadership.

- Blog articles
- Video libraries
- Case studies
- Podcast episodes

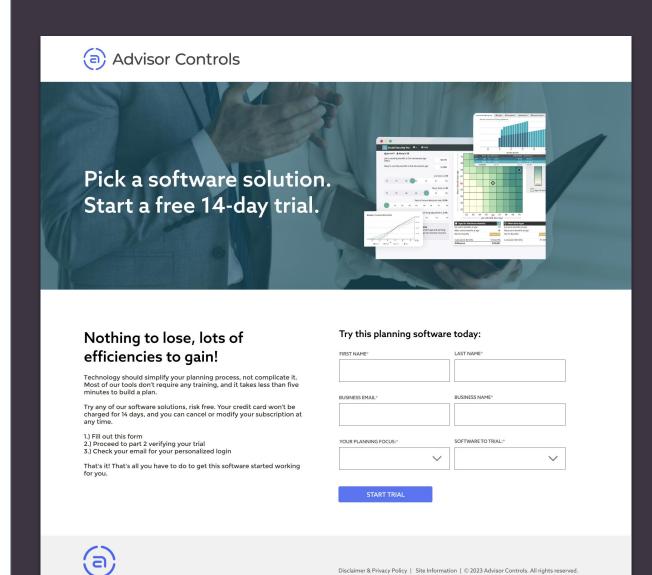
On the flip side, **gated content** is an essential tool for lead generation and nurturing. Users share contact info to access assets.

- Big eBooks
- "Ultimate" Guides
- Templates
- Workbooks
- Webinars



## LANDING PAGES

- **DON'T:** Present users with too many different actions to take
- ✓ DO: Remove navigation and distractions
- ✓ DO: Provide clear expectations "book a 15-minute call"
- ✓ DO: Use multimedia to engage
- ✓ DO: Consider a secondary CTA below the fold



>> Landing Page Resource:
The Only CRO Checklist You Need



## LEAD CLASSIFICATION

Develop an effective lead classification system that kick-starts your sales enablement strategy and aligns your team on lifecycle stages:

- Host a "smarketing" session to determine characteristics of ideal customer
- Create an SLA with sales team (EX: what action to take when an MQL converts to SQL)
- Use a robust CRM tool (such as HubSpot) to automate lead classification process









## LEAD CLASSIFICATION

#### AI PROMPT:

You're a marketing manager planning a brainstorming session with your sales and marketing teams. The goal of this session is to determine the characteristics of your company's ideal customer. What are some questions you should ask both teams to achieve this goal?



Absolutely, defining the characteristics of your company's ideal customer through collaboration between the sales and marketing teams is a critical step for targeted marketing efforts. Here are some questions you could ask both teams during the brainstorming session to achieve this goal:



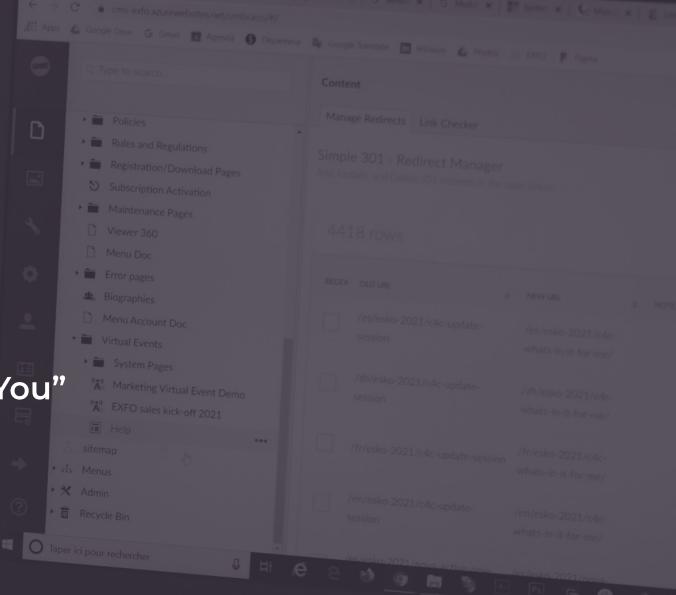


#### For Both Sales and Marketing Teams:

- 1. Can you describe the types of customers who have been the most satisfied with our products/services in the past? What made them stand out?
- 2. What industries or sectors have shown the most interest in our offerings? Are there any trends or patterns?
- 3. Are there certain geographical areas or regions where our products/services have gained more traction?

## **EMAIL**

Take your templated "Thank You" and RSS emails up a notch.





## NEXT LEVEL EMAILS

**Segmented Interest Newsletters** 

**Re-Engagements** 

### **Action Nurtures**

 Emails triggered by an action of the user, like returning to your site

>> Email Segmentation Resource:
Supercharge Lead Generation Through
Sales and Marketing Automation



Hi friend.

It's been a few months since I last reached out, so I wanted to check in – are you still struggling to meet your lead generation and revenue geals?

All we need to get started is this quick <u>brand quest</u> answers for every question just yet. I want to help and your team and provide ways to fill in the gaps.

If you are no longer interested in receiving a market feelings! We'll be here to answer any future question this email.

Cheers,

Todd Laire



Hiya friend,

We've got another content round-up coming at ya! This time, it's all about HubSpot technical support...

MARKETING MIXTAPE

Keep on scrolling to learn if it's time to give your portal a good deep-cleaning. Plus, we're spilling the beans on how to make your HubSpot and Salesforce platforms talk to each other like long-lost best friends #1



HubSpot and Salesforce Integration Guide: How-to, Challenges, and Best Practices

HubSpot and Salesforce are both popular and highly-rated CRM platforms. HubSpot is ideal for marketing and shines in generating and nurturing leads, while Salesforce is a powerful and endlessly customizable datacrunching machine.

If both options sound appealing, don't worry. HubSpot and Salesforce feature native integration, allowing the two platforms to cooperate seamlessly. Businesses looking to leverage each platform's unique strengths



We're back, friend,

It's (almost) Fall, v'all! 🍑

With September here already, and the kids back to school... what are YOU learning

our 2023 marketing goals? (Don't freak out, ly about 4 months away!)

elp you hit your targets of Keep scrolling to ng and catch up on helpful articles you may missed!

SO LITTLE TIME...



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A recent graduate of Miami University in Ohio, Klaire's favorite types of design are 2D motion design and packaging design. She also loves textile arts, including embroidery and crocheting, and has played cello for over 12 years.

## -AI PROMPTS

## **FOR NEXT LEVEL EMAILS**

#### AI PROMPT:

Create a catchy,
one-sentence email subject
line for the following
content that will resonate
with [target audience]: [list
email content].

#### AI PROMPT

Write an email about [subject matter] with the goal to [conversion goal] with [target audience].

#### AI PROMPT:

Take the following email copy and rewrite it with a [describe tone] tone: [list email content].

#### AI PROMPT:

Generate an email drip campaign strategy outline for [target audience] who just [triggering action] with the goal to [conversion goal].

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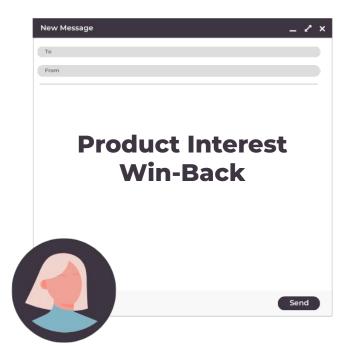
Create an email newsletter content plan that addresses topics that resonate with [target audience] in the [industry] industry.

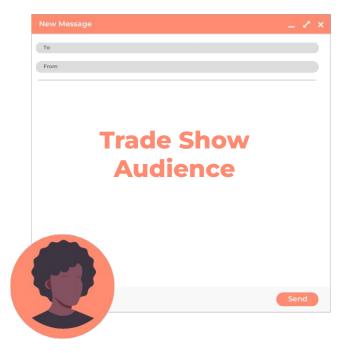
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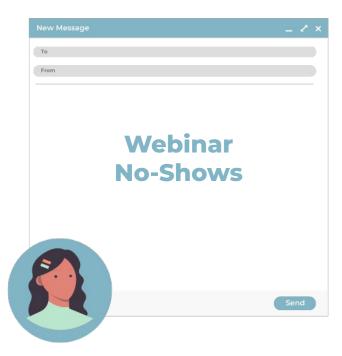
Draft a persuasive subject line and preview text for an email targeting [target audience] in order to [conversion goal].

## **EMAIL SEGMENTATION**

**DON'T:** Neglect your personas when it comes to email segmentation (industry, interest, demographics, firmographic)









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## DIGITAL ADS FOR LEAD GEN

- ✓ DO: Advertise content offers & downloads (+consults, trials, awareness)
- ✓ DO: Use in-channel lead gen tools (LinkedIn)
- ✓ DO: Go geo
  - Geotargeting (normal ads)
  - Geofencing & Geoframing (proximity marketing)



AI PROMPT: I want to promote [key products or services] to [primary goal] with [target audience].
Outline the best digital ad platforms I can leverage and what my budget should be.

## RESOURCE

#### **B2B MARKETER'S GUIDE TO LI ADS**

- Creating LinkedIn ads
- Running ads on LinkedIn
- Creating a LinkedIn ads campaign
- Setting a budget for LinkedIn ads
- + Other LinkedIn social media
   marketing best practices

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## The B2B Marketer's **Guide to LinkedIn Ads**

How to Create LinkedIn Ads that Get Results

## AUTOMATION

Design an efficient lead gen system with automation.

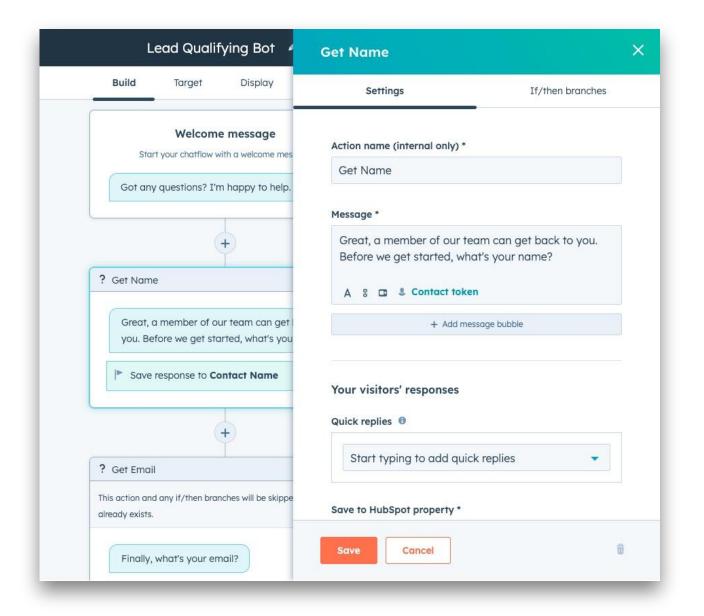


## ENGAGE WITH CHAT

**LEVEL A:** Live Chat

**LEVEL B:** Al Chat

46% of users most likely prefer human customer agents even if chatbots saved 10 minutes.
(Usabilla)



## AI CHAT SCRIPT PLANNING BEST PRACTICES

- ✓ DO: Use conversational language
- DO: Add emotional appeal
- **DO:** Set the appropriate tone of voice
- **DON'T:** Overlook interruptions and misunderstandings

### Chat with us





How can I subscribe to your newsletter?

We're glad you asked! Click here [link] and enter your name and email address on the page's form. Welcome to the family!





How much are your retirement financial planning services?

Great question! We have an entire page dedicated to our services pricing. Check out out here [link]. I'll be standing by in case you have additional questions!

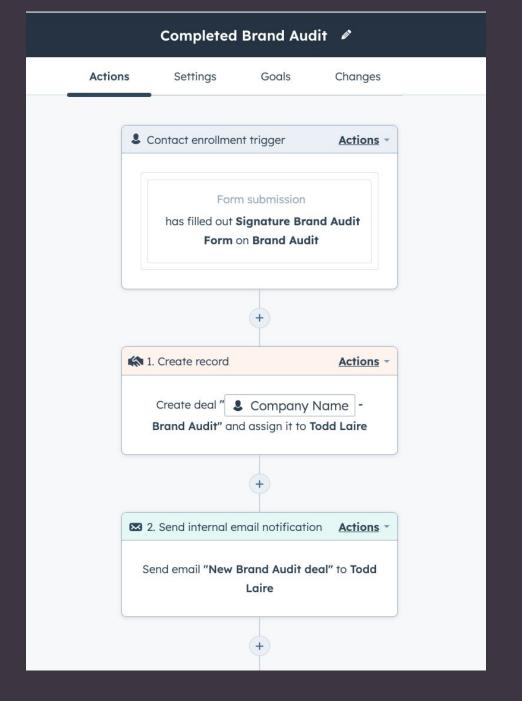




## AUTOMATING TASKS

## A solid lead gen program is not without automation!

- Lead assignment to reps based on region
- 15/30/45 Page View Notifications
- Alert to internal team when a high intent lead completes a email nurture workflow



## LEAD SCORING

The process of assigning a numerical value to each lead in your CRM, reflecting the lead's likelihood of becoming a paying customer.

- Brainstorm attributes that indicate whether or not a lead is sales qualified
- Provide a score for each attribute
- Confirm criteria with marketing and sales teams and finalize your list

>><u>Lead Scoring Worksheet Resource</u>

Data Type	Criteria	Score
Enters HubSpot	Form Submission	50
	Live Chat	50
	Paid Social   Lead Generation	50
	Webinar Registration	10
	Manually Entered by Sales Rep	50
Email Behavior	Open	5
	Click	10
	View Meeting Link	20
	Unsubscribe	-200
	Bounce	-200
Sales Rep Engagement	Meeting Outcome	N/A
	Scheduled	50
	Completed	30
	No Show	-50
	Canceled	-50

## RESOURCE

## 34 AI PROMPTS TO SIMPLIFY YOUR MARKETING EFFORTS

- Learn why AI prompts are critical to streamlining your marketing tasks
- Get prompt ideas for strategy, website optimization, content marketing, SEO, social media, paid media, and email marketing
- See quick tips to keep in mind when using Al prompts

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