

Project Design Phase Problem Solution fit

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Project Name	FreelanceFinder: Discovering Opportunities, Unlocking Potential
Maximum Marks	2 Marks

Many skilled individuals, especially recent graduates, face difficulty entering the freelance market due to:

- Lack of credible platforms that support new freelancers
- Inadequate tools for showcasing skills and building portfolios
- Limited access to trustworthy clients and real-time communication tools
- Concerns over delayed payments or disputes without oversight

Simultaneously, clients (like small business owners) struggle to:

- Find reliable, qualified freelancers for time-sensitive projects
- Efficiently manage projects and monitor deliverables
- Trust the quality of freelancers without reviews or validated portfolios

Purpose:

- Solve complex problems in a way that fits the state of your customers.
- Succeed faster and increase your solution adoption by tapping into existing mediums and channels of behavior.
- Sharpen your communication and marketing strategy with the right triggers and messaging.
- Increase touch-points with your company by finding the right problem-behavior fit and building trust by solving frequent annoyances, or urgent or costly problems.
- **Understand the existing situation in order to improve it for your target group.**

Template:

<p>1. CUSTOMER SEGMENT(S) Who is your customer? I.e. working parents of 0-5 y.o. kids</p>	<p>6. CUSTOMER CONSTRAINTS What constraints prevent your customers from taking action or limit their choices of solutions? I.e. spending power, budget, no cash, network connections, available devices</p>	<p>5. AVAILABLE SOLUTIONS Which solutions are available to the customers when they face the problem or need to get the job done? What have they tried in the past? What price & costs do these solutions have? I.e. pen and paper is an alternative for digital calendar</p>
<p>2. JOBS-TO-BE-DONE / PROBLEMS What jobs do customers hire you for? Do you address for your customers? There could be more than one, explore different sides.</p>	<p>9. PROBLEM ROOT CAUSE What is the real reason that the problem exists? What is the back story behind the need to do the job? I.e. customers have to do it because of the change in regulations</p>	<p>7. BEHAVIOUR What does your customer do to address the problem and get the job done? I.e. directly related: find the right note paper template, calculate usage and benefits, indirectly associated: customers spend time on evaluating work (i.e. responsiveness)</p>
<p>3. TRIGGERS What triggers customers to act? I.e. seeing their neighbour installing solar panels, reading about a more efficient solution in the news.</p>	<p>10. YOUR SOLUTION If you are working on an existing business, write down your current solution first, all in the canvas, and check how much it fits reality. If you are working on a new business proposition, then keep it blank until you fill in the canvas and come up with a solution that fits within customer limitations, solves a problem and matches customer behaviour.</p>	<p>8. CHANNELS of BEHAVIOUR What kind of actions do customers take online? Extract online channels from #7</p>
<p>4. EMOTIONS: BEFORE / AFTER How do customers feel when they face a problem in a job and afterwards? I.e. how, how much, in control, use it in your communication strategy & design.</p>		<p>8.2 OFFLINE What kind of actions do customers take offline? Extract offline channels from #7 and use them for customer development.</p>

References:

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