

Voice Search for Beginners - 3

2019



What we will learn?

- > AEO website optimisation
- > Quality Content
- > Optimising for speed
- > Backlinks
- > DA
- > Structured data & site backbone
- **>** Tips
- > Homework



AEO website optimisation



How google crawl

- It has little spiders which index your site on specific time. The spiders goes through your content sees similarities in the content and marks how big of a deal is your quality. It is based on referrals and people search keywords compared to what you have in your website
- > Keep in mind the number of pages google is indexing. For voice it is important the content to be long and quality one not that much of the pages.
- > Google spiders are using your sitemap to understand what to crawl
- > Not every page is necessary to be crawled
- > Understand if you are crawled site:domainName.com



Criterias for AEO

- > Speed
- > Mobile friendliness
- > High DA
- > Fight for "V" a.k.a. position 0

- > Quality content
- > Proper set website structure
- > Optimised for _ Near Me _



Quality Content





Content criterias for voice search

- > Use voice that is natural
- Long tail words around keywords
- Use fillers
- Avoid jargon, buzzwords. A buzzword can become a brand word
- Check your content http://www.hemingwayapp.com/
 https://www.semrush.com/swa/demo



Headings



- > Titles under 48 chars
- > Can start with a question
- > Starting with a keyword or contain them
- > Location keyword can be included inside
- > H1 for starting, clean structure and pointing the main topic
- > H2, H3, etc.. following a hierarchy and a context around the main topic
- > Brain hacks: [Title], "Title" 124Title

Climbing in Iceland with Loki the Deceiver



Paragraphs



- > 38-43 words
- > Formatted with an answer
- > Easy to be understood
- > After a heading
- > Short paragraphs. Why? (mobile friendliness and prep for a snippet hub)



FAQ page



- > Best for Q&A
- > Query == question in the voice world
- > Be clear, consist and to straight to the point
- > In the answer you can include keywords, brand name, product, etc..

Eg. <u>LINK</u>



Contact page



- > Add the same address, phone number from Google my business
- > Structure the opening closing hours as they are in GMB
- Direct Google maps link and address img



Page footer



- > Adding social links
- > Adding opening hours in the same way of GMB if possible
- > Adding reviews & ratings





Blog pages



Questions that an article needs to answer

- > What is a lead magnet?
- > Does my business need a lead magnet?
- > What does a good lead magnet include?
- > What are some good lead magnet ideas?



An article strategy

- > Ask the question in your article (that may be a subheading)
- > Immediately follow the question with a one-paragraph answer
- > Make sure you've done a research for question types so an article can ask multiple similar questions. This is called a feature snippet hub



Blog formatting

- > Heading: What Is a Lead Magnet?
- > Paragraph: A lead magnet is...
- > Sub-heading: Why Every Business Needs a Lead Magnet
- > Sub-heading: What Makes a Good Lead Magnet
- > Heading: 69 Irresistible Lead Magnet Ideas
- > Heading: Useful Lead Magnet Ideas

Etc...



Tips

- > Calculate readability text https://readable.com/blog/the-flesch-reading-ease-and-flesch-kincaid-grade-level/
- > Monitor your domain based on queries you appeared with Ahrefs
- > Optimise featured snippets
- > Semantically related keywords
 - Let's not forget to add synonyms, antonyms and etc.
 - O not just put in a row all the keywords because you can get banned. Google has 2 algos about keyword Hummingbird and Panda
 - To generate ideas you can use https://lsigraph.com/



Product page



- > Adding a product Q&A can increase the possibility of appear in a voice result
- > Try optimising the questions for the 5W and H
- > Tagging pictures and calling them with the proper name: product-category
- > Use lists to describe products
- > Wrap around your products with data structured
 - Reviews
 - Name
 - Attributes

Customer questions & answers

Q Have	a question? Sea	arch for answers
	Question:	What does the deluxe edition include?
yotes	Answer:	Yes It will have an Steelbook has including DLC Summons like Chocobo Chick, Cactuar and Mini Soundt By NoctisCrystallisXV on June 27, 2019
		✓ See more answers (1)
2 votes	Question:	Pre-ordered with coupon, canceled old pre-order. returned today and coupon was not applied. what cau with?
	Answer:	Customer service said the promo will be back just keep watching the website but they don't know when By Stephen Piner on July 2, 2019
		✓ See more answers (3)
1 vote	Question:	Will the game still be turn based?
	Answer:	No, it won't be turn-based (bummer because it's my favorite). However, my understanding is there will

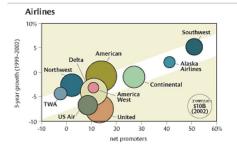


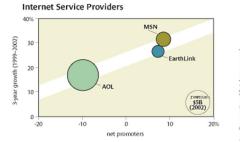
Mobile friendly content

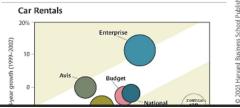
- > A good thing is to have in mind that paragraphs need to be short. Remember the 38-43 words rule?
- > Increase the white space! Do not put everything next to each other guys
- > All your images needs to be optimised for mobile
- > Title short, interesting and could be a question type title with keywords inside of the searching query
- > High quality of writing

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are extremely likely to recommend the company to a friend or colleague. (The net-promoter figure is calculated by subtracting the percentage of customers who say they are unlikely to make a recommendation from the percentage who say they are extremely likely to do so.) It's worth noting that the size of companies has no relationship to their net-promoter status.









Human factors



- > Make your content interesting
- > Dwell time the time between the user enters a result and goes back or closes the tab. Google is keeping an eye on this measurement
- > Criteria we tend to use as humans
 - Clarity
 - Structured
 - Logical
 - Simplicity
 - Deep understanding
 - Long text > 2300 words
 - Guides
 - o Topics with different faces and angles
 - Great visuals
 - Supporting facts and data for persuasive content
 - Original research
 - First person experience telling (Writing a story)



Strategies

> Pillar - the main hub

Eg. How to guide

> Cluster - the content that is additional and will link to the main content

Eg. Additional article to the How to guide



My working flow:

- > Adding keywords & phrases
- > Adding the titles
- > Writing the text around the key phrases/questions
- > Simplification
- > Adding statistics and visuals
- > Measure it



Tips

- > Explain how to do something.
- > Establish credibility.
- > Create curiosity.
- > Command a benefit of a product/service/news headline.
- > Engage the conversation within the reader's head.
- > Explain the idea of the "WHY" of your brand (read Simon Sinek).



Optimising for speed



Why?

- > Google is experience!
- > Assistant answer
- > 90% chance for bounce rate if answer is not shown within 5 sec
- > Measure it https://developers.google.com/speed/pagespeed/insights/



How to optimise it?

- Use CDN (content delivery network)
 - Content delivered closer to the user reaching point. That way it will load faster
- If your server is on PHP than use the latest one
- Optimise your CSS and minify it
 - Unnecessary classes, using more styles than you need to
 - Eg. margin: 2px & margin: 2px 2px 2px 2px or margin: 2px 4px
- > Split the content so it will load on chunks. The most necessary parts are first and than the rest
- Optimise and minify your graphical resources
- Use higher tier of hosting services
- Compress your pictures
- Take advantage of caching



Backlinks



What are?

- > You mention me and i will mention you
- > Viral posts generate links
- > For SEO and AEO they are important because you are gaining credibility and trust in the eyes of Google algos!
- > Does your link works?
- > The bigger the person that mentions you the better you will get ranked



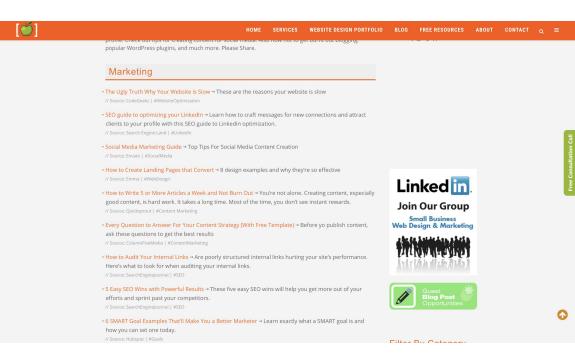
Strategies for building them

- > Link roundUps
- > Broken link building
- > Build links from scratch be everywhere
- > Brand links brand your words
- > Sorcerer try to be the first
- > Pre-outreach reach people in your industry
- > Guidelines generate traffic by launching guidelines and promote your content
- > Guest posting go on podcasts, write on peoples blog



Link roundUps

- > Daily, weekly, monthly blog posts with amazing content. Suggestors
- > You can find them for your industry by typing: "keyword" + "link roundups"e
- > After that you need to pitch your content to those roundups with an email





Broken link building



- > Find a site that you want to link to
- > Check for broken links in few pages and run the check my links extension
- > Give your content for replacement
- > Send a personalised email to swap the content



Domain authority



What is?

- > Metric from 1 to 100 predicting how domain is ranked in google. It is not a ranking factor. Google doesn't use in it's algorithm. It predicts rankings
- > The higher your authority is the difficult is to grow it
- > Sites with high amount of external links are ranked higher with high DA
- > DA is a comparative tool it is used within context
 - Let's say for the keyword portfolio your site is ranked with DA of 59 compared with you competitor which DA is 50. But building new links for the next month increases it with 3 so your DA next month is 62
- > DA power is when you compare your website to the competitors ones
- > When there is an update DA can fluctuate for everyone
- > With higher domain authority you will rank better in google

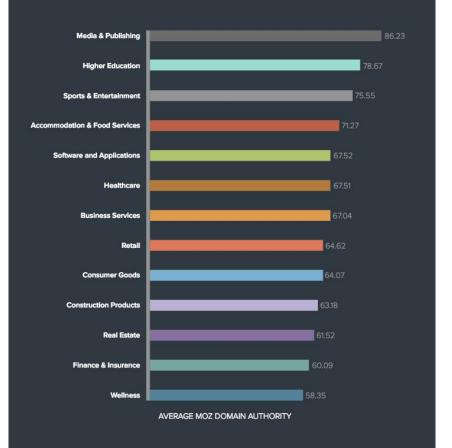


Pieces:

- > Link Profile
 - · How many great link are pointing at you
- > Moz rank
 - Same as google rank
- > Moz Trust
 - How much Moz is trusting your domain

Average Moz Domain Authority by Industry





Analysis based on the average Moz Domain Authority between January 1, 2016, and December 31, 2016, from 701 businesses.



Checking your DA

> Use tools like: https://analytics.moz.com/pro/link-explorer/home & SERP's analysis



How to increase it

- > Quality content
- > Check competitors
 - Site size, content and DA similar to yours
- > Audit your backlinks remove every poor quality backlinks
 - Analyse your links.
 - Get more followed links great content that people want to link to.
- > Monitor your page links
- > Build high quality backlinks
 - Try getting mentioned from medias and professionals
 - Build links by promoting your high quality pages and content



Structured data & site backbone

What is structured data



- > Helps search engines to categorised your content
- > Structured content and proper structure of your website (eg. sidebar)
- > Standard is to use schema.org microdata tags
- > Google has guidelines how they expect you to wrap your info
- > Assistant uses to read it data
- > As many as possible elements as you wish
- > There are also WP plugins https://wpschema.com/
- 3 formats Rich data, Microdata, JSON-LD

In the news

Christina Aguilera Belts New York Medley at NBA All-Star Game: Video

Us Magazine - 1 day ago



David Letterman's intern asks NBA All-Stars the tough questions

SI.com - 1 day ago

Schema.org

SoftUni Digital

- > The de-facto standard
- > It adds attr to elements telling google what is the type of content
- > It helps google to visualise specific data into Google
- > It helps AEO to show a result based on your data description and attr
- Java script object notation for linked data - JSON-LD is the standard for Google
- > Use this to steal pre-made code

```
<div itemscope itemtype</pre>
="http://schema.org/Movie">
  <h1 itemprop="name">Avatar</h1>
  <div itemprop="director" itemscope
itemtype="http://schema.org/Person">
  Director: <span
itemprop="name">James Cameron</span>
(born < span
itemprop="birthDate">August 16,
1954</span>)
 </div>
  <span itemprop="genre">Science
fiction</span>
  <a
href="../movies/avatar-theatrical-trai
ler.html"
itemprop="trailer">Trailer</a>
     </div>
```



Examples:



Tools

- > Testing https://search.google.com/structured-data/testing-tool/u/0/
- > Adding data https://www.google.com/webmasters/markup-helper/u/0/
- > Guidelines https://developers.google.com/search/docs/guides/search-gallery
- > Pre-made JSON-LD https://jsonld.com/video/



Titles



- > Titles under 60 chars
- > Starting with a keyword or contain them
- > Location keyword can be included inside

Eg. <title>Sofia City Guide | Where To Visit, Eat & Stay In 2019</title>



Meta



- > Max 160 characters
- > Include keywords
- > Include a question asked from people
- > Warning! Hidden meta with keywords can block your website

Eg. <meta name="description" content="Are you traveling to Sofia in 2019? Check out our Sofia city guide to find the best places to visit, the best places to eat and drink, and where to stay." />



Robot.txt



- > It is a txt file
- > Tells Google which files can be indexed and shown in google
- > We do want some pages to be hidden
- > Warning! Edit the file if you only know what it is. Some properties can hide your website from the face of google

Eg. "Thank you page", "Summary card page", maybe you are doing A/B testing



Tips



- > Share your website everywhere
- > Appear on aggregators
- > Re-check zombie links
- > Tips for updating old content



Homework



Choose a site that you like and

- Research it key phrases, key words, DA, etc.
- Optimise it content for AEO
 - Eg. optimise the FAQ, Blog and blog post
- If the site has an e-commerce part optimise at least 3 product pages
- Use google slides or Google docs to describe it
- Bonusi: Try to wrap around an article, question or by choice component in the site with structured data



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