

Storytelling & Power BI

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Data Analytics & Visualization
Data Storytelling
BI Standardization
Process Improvement



Storytelling

- A narrative
- Structure
- Know what to expect
- Engaging
- Different stories for different audiences



Storytelling Benefits



Easy to follow and understand

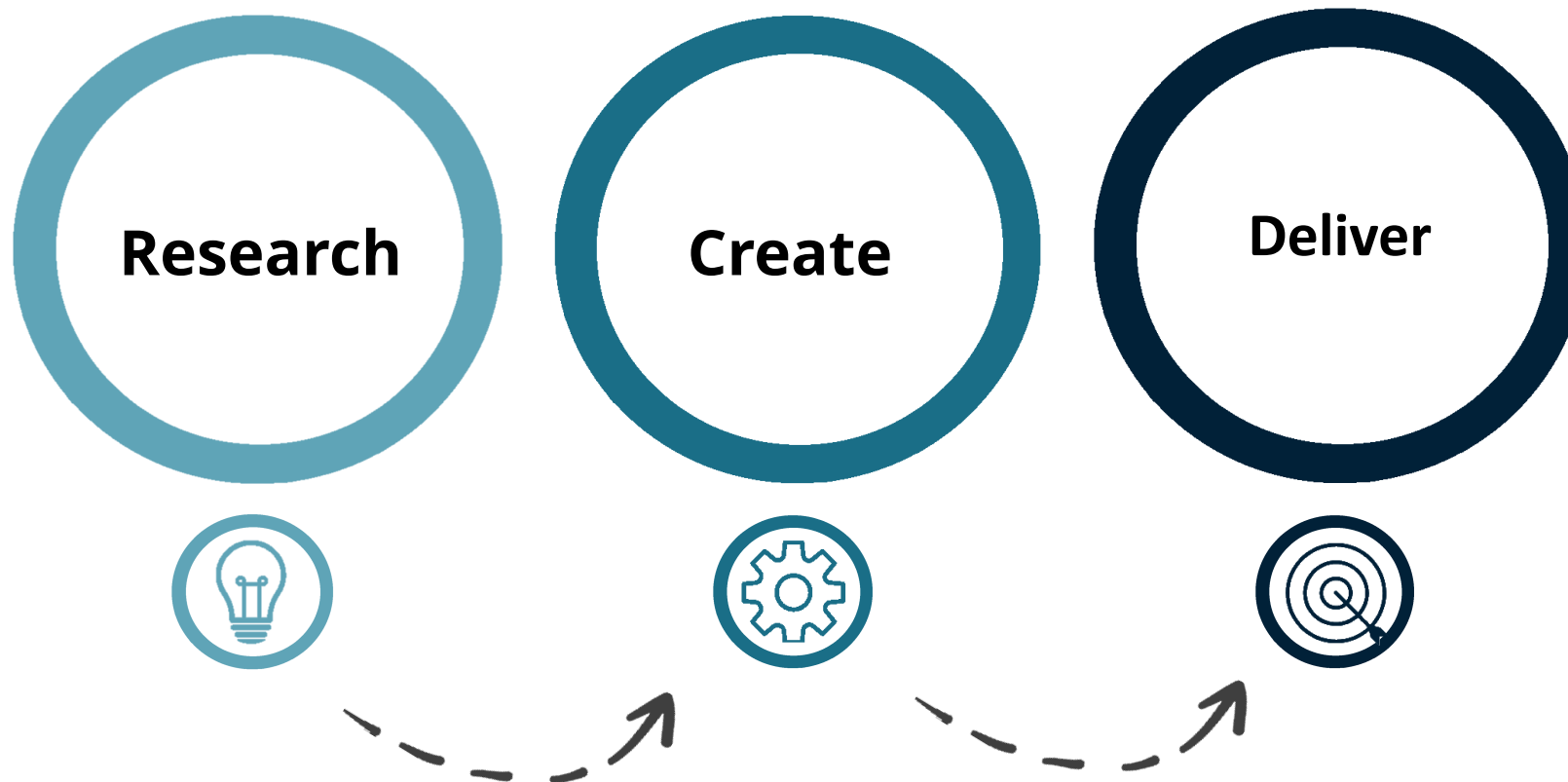


Engaging



Time-saving

3 steps to use Storytelling



Research

Audience, content & key message

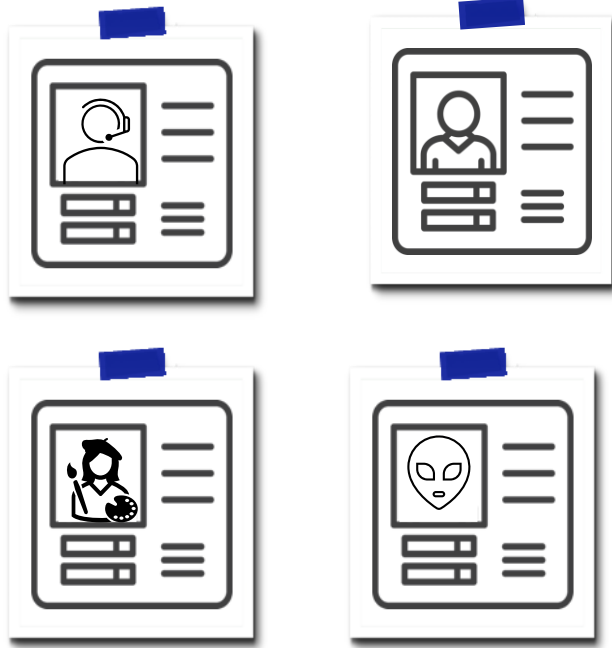


The audience

- Who is the audience?
- What motivates (or scares) them? -> Actions
- How much detail do they need?
- How do they access & consume information?



Creating Personas



- Fictional representation of the audience
- Needs & wishes
- Similarities and difference
- Don't make assumptions

What's the message?



1 key message (sentence)

- Context
- Information
- Actions to take

Not a key message



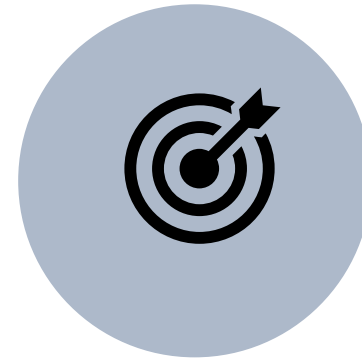
CONTEXT

SALES INSIGHTS



INFORMATION


ALL



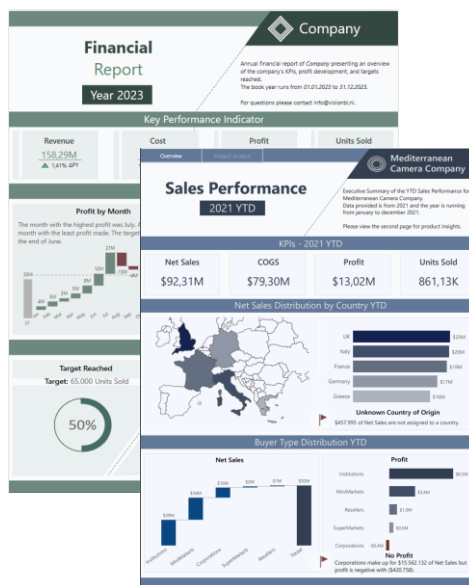
ACTIONS TO TAKE

TBD

3 different key messages

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- Each **year** we share **information** with the **whole company** what our **key** sales results are (profit, costs, margin, difference LY).
 - As **MT** we **evaluate monthly** the **key** sales results, the **performance** of our account managers (€ vs target) and the **best/worst products**.
 - Our **data analysts** daily dig through **all the data** to **investigate** hidden **trends** and **anomaly's**.

Different message = different design



What if the audience is too different?

- One size fits all?

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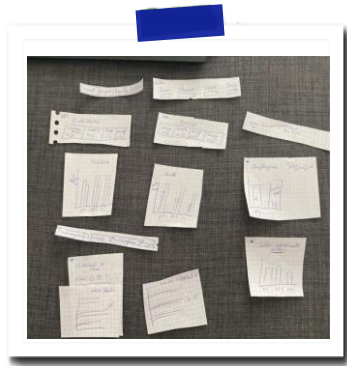
- Different reports & different pages?
- What's possible within the budget & the consequences

Create

Storyboard, Templates & Visuals



Storyboard



Gather all the information

- Sticky Notes (easy to rearrange)

Translate pieces to design

- Each piece tells a part of the story
- Keep it simple
- Check your story



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Templates -> Consistency

Expectation Management & Ease of use

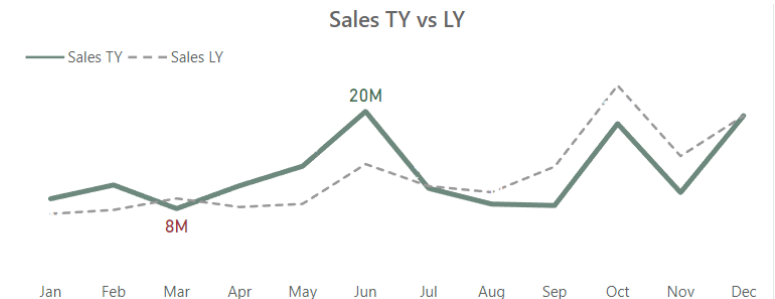
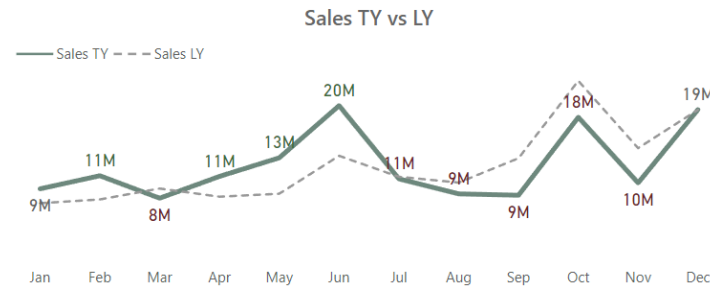
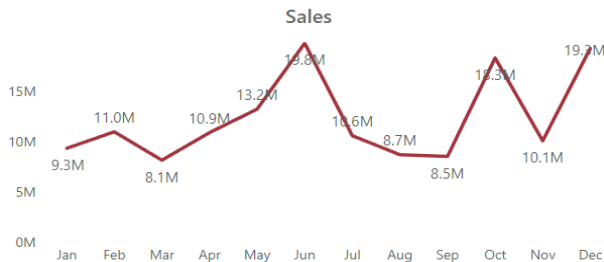
- Templates
- Color Schemes
- Way of Working



Declutter/Enrich for your audience

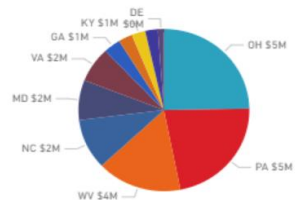
Do you really need all the information?

Do you need more information?

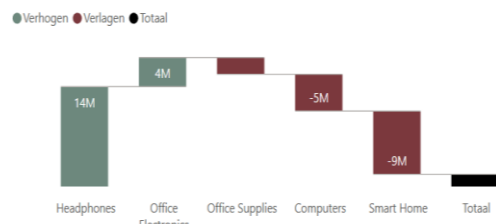


Check the visuals used (with your audience)

This Year Sales by Territory



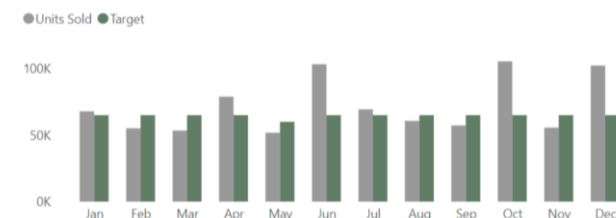
Sales Difference TY vs LY by Category



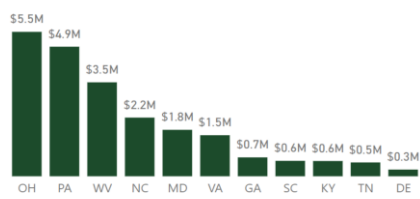
Sales Difference TY vs LY by Product

Category	Product	Gross Sales	Difference LY	Units Sold	Difference LY
Office Electronics	Product 4	15,468,394.40	-583,396.53	88,790.00	-31,303.00
Office Electronics	Product 6	12,043,158.08	1,804,151.16	40,982.50	-15,084.50
Office Electronics	Product 5	10,276,638.44	5,093,043.05	51,090.50	-2,640.50
Headphones	Product 4	9,216,325.30	1,011,620.77	66,659.50	14,232.00
Office Supplies	Product 4	8,592,488.50	2,584,096.88	27,705.00	-5,007.00
Headphones	Product 1	8,318,254.37	3,318,314.67	40,525.50	12,470.50
Headphones	Product 6	7,796,253.92	3,730,122.58	36,423.00	13,603.00
Office Electronics	Product 1	7,302,442.70	-502,078.43	47,291.00	-8,067.50
Total		147,771,511.24	1,702,062.57	861,132.00	-264,674.00

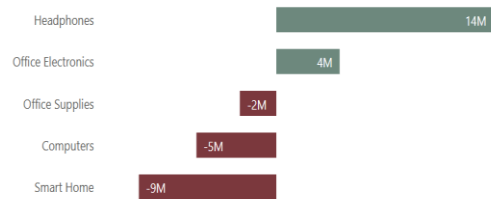
Units Sold including Target



Sales by Territory



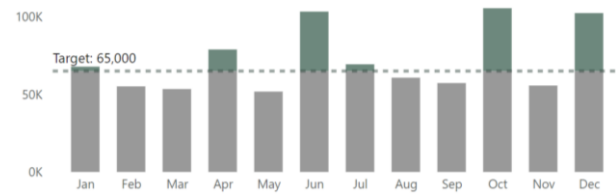
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	Product 2	7,082,499		30,822	
	Product 3	5,204,885		33,837	
	Product 4	9,216,325		66,660	
	Product 1	8,318,254		40,526	
	Product 6	7,796,254		36,423	

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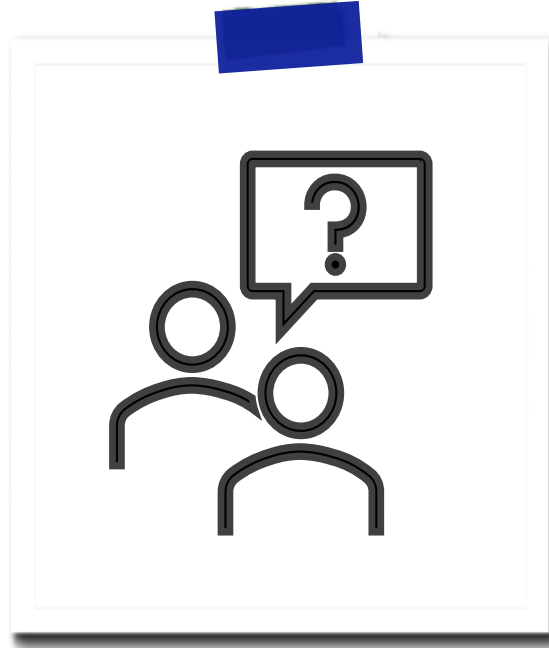


Deliver

Evaluate & Test

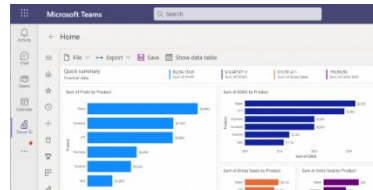
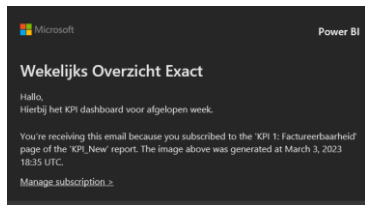


Evaluate



- Test run
- Evaluate with users
- Reflect & Feedback
- Usage Report

Deliver



Delivery is key!

- Mail
- Teams
- App
- Workspace
- Handout

Best practices

- Consider your audience
- 1 Key message
- Use a storyboard & Templates
- Evaluate
- Keep it simple



Feedback





Thank you very much for your attention.
Vielen Dank für Eure Aufmerksamkeit.

