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Mastering Persuasion at Work

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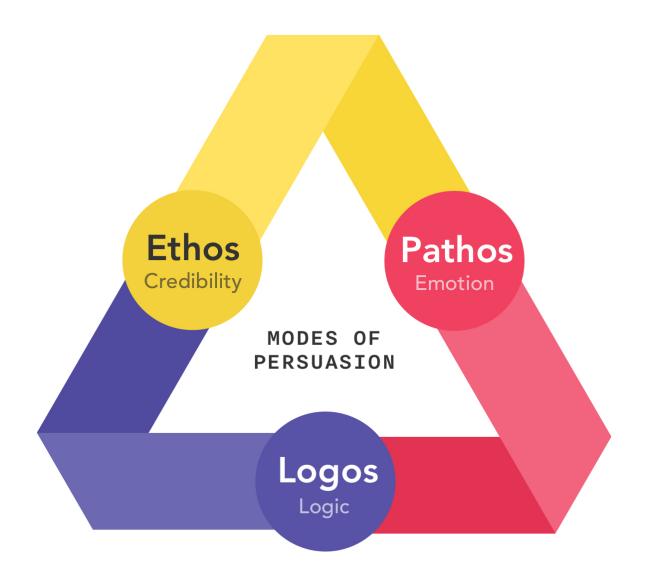


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- Consensus
- MAYA
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What is Persuasion?



#TikTokMadeMeBuyIt

- People buy from people
- Perceptions can and do change constantly
- People want information quick





The Elephant & The Rider

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- Give directions
- Remove obstacles
- Provide motivation

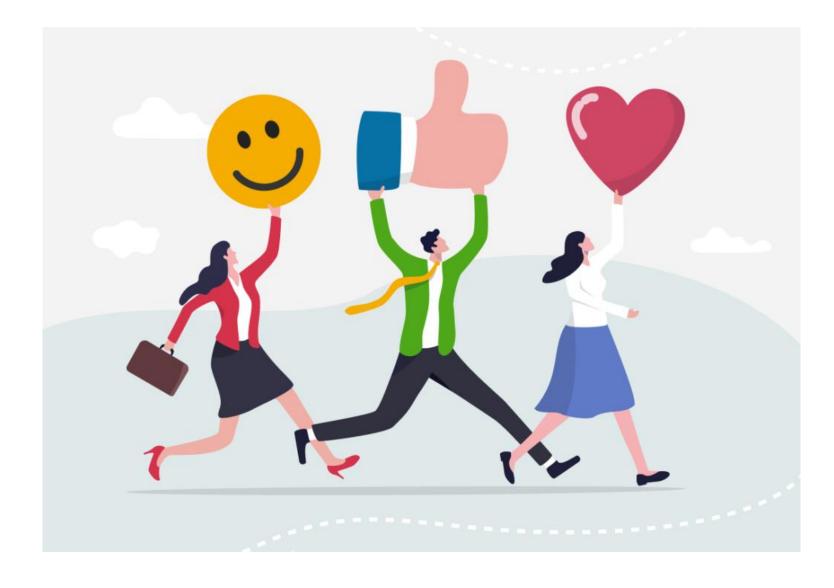




- Give directions: this is how it works, the plan for training and implementation
- Remove obstacles: sandbox to play in, hands-on support, ramp up period
- Provide motivation: a good story and celebrating a win



Likability



Reciprocity



Commitment and Consistency



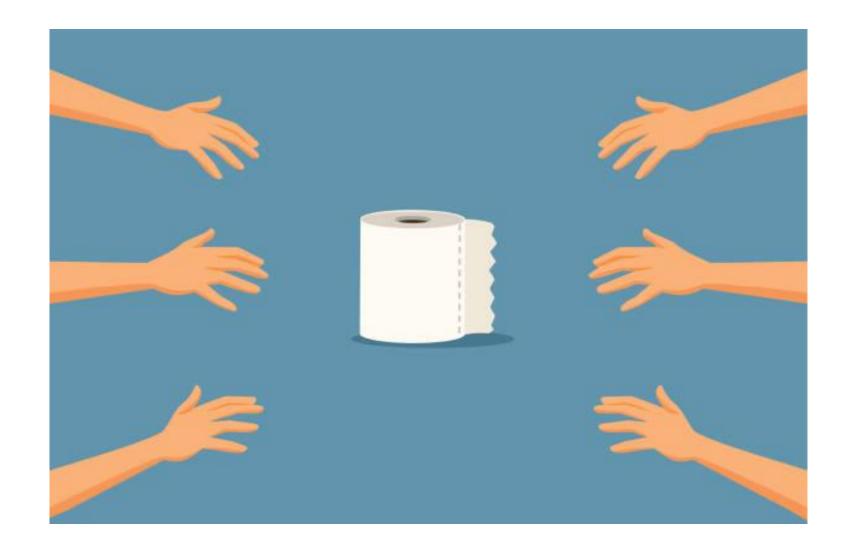
Social Proof



Authority



Scarcity



Instead of asking:

Does this sound good?

Try:

Is this a bad idea?

Are you free?

Do you want to...?

Are you opposed to...?

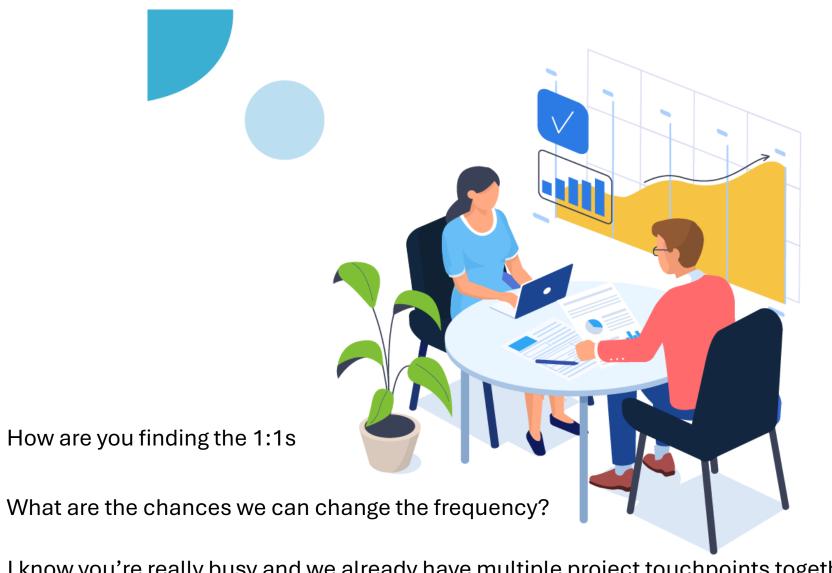
Do you agree?

Do you disagree?

AM I Crazy?

Negotiation

- Steer
- Be curious
- Start the negotiation before you start the negotiation
- Be at peace with silence
- Make friends



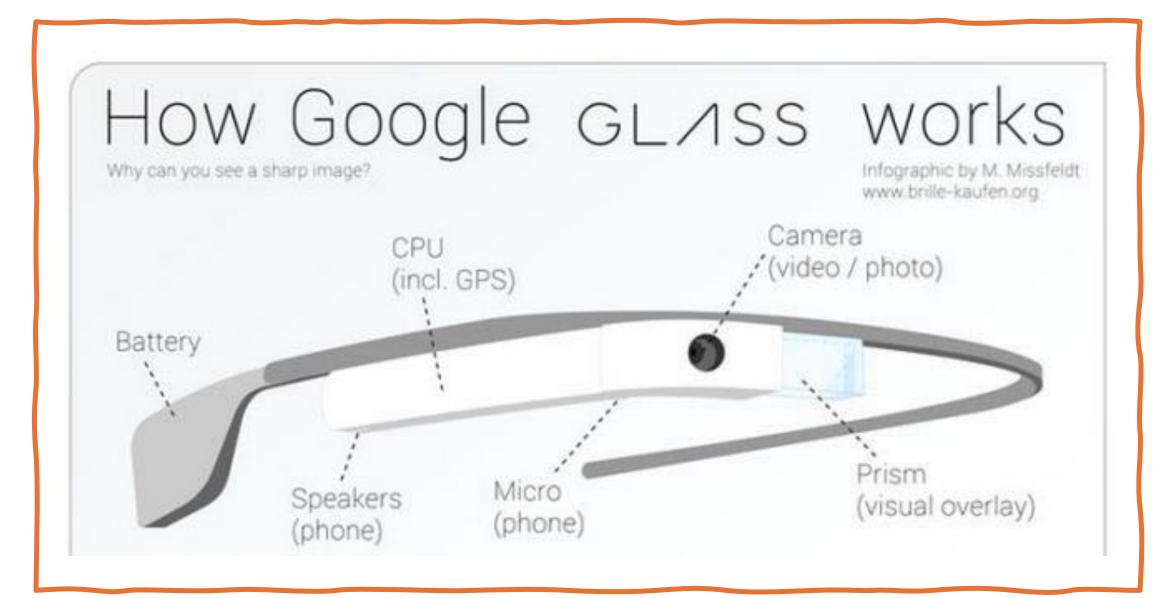
I know you're really busy and we already have multiple project touchpoints together

Consensus

- Clarify the Objective
- Encourage Open Dialogue
- Seek Common Ground
- Summarize Regularly
- Check for Alignment
- Document the Agreement

Most Advanced, Yet Acceptable





MAYA



Use language your audience is used to



Highlight common patterns or flows that will reduce the learning curve



Piggyback on an existing mental model to give a frame of reference

The fool tells me his reasons; the wise man persuades me with my own.

Activity: Persuasion In Action

- In a group of 2-3, be either a persuader of the decision maker
- Use as many of the six principles of persuasion as you can in a mock negotiation



FINAL THOUGHTS



- Persuasion drives negotiation and leads to consensus
- Negotiation is not a contest of wills
- You may see an adversary now, but they may be a partner later
- Find common ground and meet at a collective agreement

