Lesson 2.4: Starting Cold with Secondary and Internal Research

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Slide 2: Learning Objectives

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Apply secondary and internal research when starting cold

Slide 3: Starting Cold

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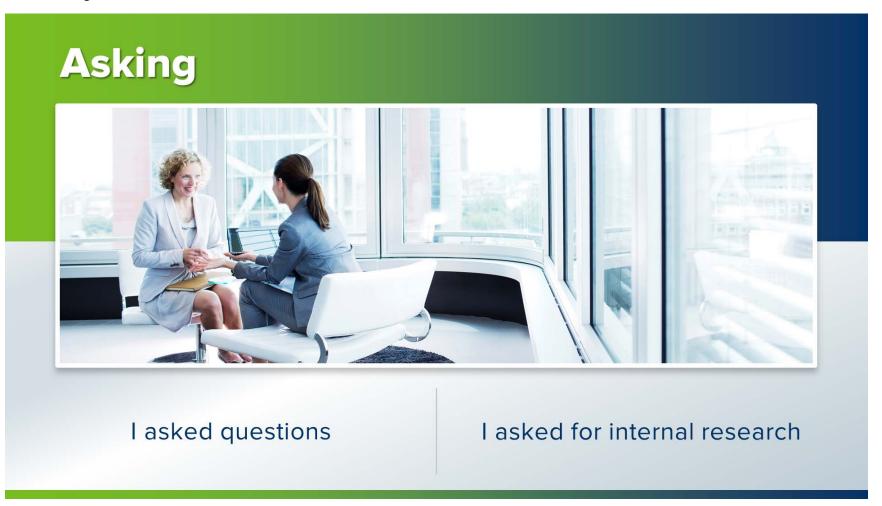


Client: specialty personalized bicycle tires

I had a lot to learn

Gathered secondary research

Slide 4: Asking



Slide 5: Market Research

Market Research

...is a process

...is a relationship



Slide 6: It Took Both

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Internal assets

Secondary research

Company may not realize value of what they have



Slide 7: You Need to See



Slide 8: These Direct the Research

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Move from what is causing the problem

To how to fix the problem

On the Breadcrumb Trail



They have the breadcrumbs

Your job is to see where they lead

You bring a fresh perspective

What Breadcrumbs Do

Narrows down possible directions

Suggests a new direction

Indicates the quality of the company



Slide 11: Internal Research May

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Shape the focus of the research

Reverse the client's request

Override their assumptions



Slide 12: Business Example Shows

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Value of skilled market researcher

Redirection based on scientific facts

What clients assume may not be real problem

Slide 13: Case Study

Case Study

Cruise line business down 40% after 9/11

Noticed real reason bookings were down: customers passing on

Recommended marketing to younger customers

Slide 14: They Had Assumed

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Average age of customer base mid-70s

Other cruise lines were not their competition

Reshaped marketing to younger demographic



Slide 15: Demonstrated Value of...

Demonstrated Value of... Combining internal and secondary research Market research professional Analyzing without assumption or bias