Lesson 4.6: How to Follow Up with Your Client

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Slide 2: Learning Objectives

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Think through your follow up strategies

Apply best practices for follow up

Strategize to build relationships for future

Slide 3: Why Market Researchers May Not Follow Up

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Researchers appear not to be good at sales

Tend to be introverted

Often choose not to follow up on proposals

Slide 4: Develop Follow Up Strategy

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Assess what is appropriate

Risky if you catch client off guard

Slide 5: Passive Follow Up Techniques

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Follow-up email

Written thank you card

Additional information, samples, articles

Slide 6: Gain Points By Caring

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Gain points for good proposal and packaging

Gain more points for showing you genuinely care!



Slide 7: Three Potential Outcomes

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- You win the project
- You lose the project (Thank them for consideration.)
- You never hear back

Slide 8: When You Don't Hear Back

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Ask for explanation of why you lost 50% will explain (and you'll learn)

Send simple follow up email

Make Efforts to Develop Client Relationships

Newsletter or marketing email list

Today's loss is potential future win!

Stay connected and offer to be a resource



Slide 10: Benefit of Building Ongoing Relationships

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Keep them informed and thanked

Show that there are no hard feelings

What you've invested can give you an advantage on the next project

Slide 11: Appropriate Follow Up Strategy

