#### Reviewing the Last Lecture

- Marketing Environment
- Principal Actors in the Company's Microenvironment
- Company's Internal Environment
- Influential Forces in the Company's Macroenvironment

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Responding to the Marketing Environment

### What is market segmentation??

- ▶ Market segmentation refers to a process of dividing one heterogeneous market into a number of smaller homogeneous markets in order to differentiate products and services.
- ► The aim of market segmentation is achieving those kinds of segments
  - where members of one segment are as similar as possible to each other and
  - where members of different segments are as different as possible.

#### What is positioning??

- ▶ **Positioning refers** to how you want your brand 'thought about' in connections with the competitors in its product category.
- ► In other words, **positioning refers** to "target consumer's" reason to buy your brand in preference to others.

## Factors affecting customers 'buying behavior

- Cultural motivations
- Social group
- Organizational trust
- Purchasing power
- Hedonistic motivations

# Critically review the journal article