## BUSINESS DESIGN WORKSHOP

**WEEK #3:** 

CREATING A LEAN BUSINESS PLAN

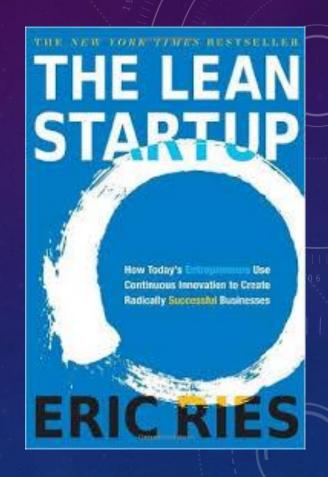
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## 1. THE RISE OF THE LEAN BUSINESS PLAN

Often digital entrepreneurs don't have:

- Deep pockets (aka a lot of cash)
- A lot of resources
- A lot of time to start earning revenue

Thus, rapid prototyping, creating a minimal viable product (MVP) and being able to test it out to see if the idea works (or needs improvement) has taken off in the past 10 years.



This is called lean startup methodology – or sometimes the lean business plan.

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The good news is, you've already sort of been doing this at VanArts. They were called 4/8 projects.

Now, you need to think deeper about the pains & problems of your target audience. What will make them come visit your website or use your app?

How will you make revenue/\$\$\$ from your creation?

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**PROBLEM** 

**EXISTING** 

solved today

**ALTERNATIVES** 

List how these problems are

List your customer's top 3 problems

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KEY METRICS

SOLUTION

each problem

Outline a possible solution for

List the key numbers that tell you how your business is doing

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UNIQUE VALUE PROPOSITION

Single, clear, compelling message that turns an unaware visitor into an interested prospect

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HIGH-LEVEL CONCEPT

List your X for Y analogy (e.g. YouTube = Flickr for videos)

UNFAIR ADVANTAGE

Something that can not be easily copied or bought

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CHANNELS

List your path to customers

6

CUSTOMER SEGMENTS

List your target customers and users

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EARLY ADOPTERS

List the characteristics of your ideal customers

COST STRUCTURE

List your fixed and variable costs

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REVENUE STREAMS

List your sources of revenue

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**Lean Canvas** 

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