

Boost your sales pitch

in less than 10 minutes



In doing business, the principle of Liking can be crucially important.

Let's consider an example:



It comes from from data collected by the accounting and consulting firm KPMG.



KPMG developed an algorithm to measure the strength of the relationship between account managers and their clients.



They gave each relationship one of these labels, based on the data:

- 1. Weak or nonexistent
- 2. Moderately strong
- 3. Already strong



Next, they examined how much the strength of the relationship influenced business success.



In this case, they defined 'business success' as the likelihood of a YES from the client after receiving a pitch for business.

This is what they found:



1. When the relationship was non-existent or weak, account managers would get a YES only 30% of the time.



2. When the relationship was moderately strong, account managers would get a YES 45% of the time.



3. When the relationship was already strong... account managers would get a YES 65-70% of the time.



So, clearly, people prefer to do business inside strong relationships.



You can strengthen a relationship inside of 10 minutes with the 3 activators of liking.

Let's go through them:



Similarity-

Research shows that people like us if we are like them, that is, similar to them.



So, you'd be wise to seek out true commonalities with your client – big or small – and highlight them. For example, similar:

- backgrounds
 - interests
 - attitudes



Praise Research shows that people like us when we give them praise.



So, identify something you truly like about your client, and compliment him or her on it. For example, their:

- achievements
- open-mindedness
- intelligent questions



Cooperation -Research shows that people like us when we cooperate with them toward shared interests and mutual goals.



So, seek out true shared interests and mutual goals with your client, and highlight them:

- in business
- or in your personal lives



The great thing is that you can do research via the internet to find relevant facts before the actual meeting.



Highlight them just before or at the outset of the meeting, and chances are you'll have boosted your business success.



So, Remember:
When preparing for a meeting with a client:

Seek true similarity, praise and grounds for cooperation, and highlight them just before or at the outset of the meeting.



Thank you for your attention!

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