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Lessons Learned



- 1. Be Inspired, Not (Just) Driven
- 2. Many Paths to the Top
- 3. Loyalty is Job One
- 4. Tools Don't Make the Carpenter
- 5. Can't Fake Culture
- 6. Five Habits Drive Lasting Success
- 7. Leaders Matter. A LOT.

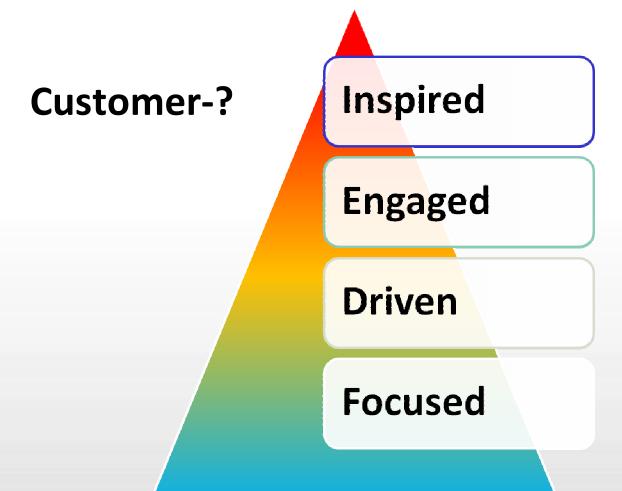




Be Inspired, Not (Just) Driven

Customer-centricity is not binary condition













Tesco was inspired to help consumers shop without a store!







Subway station in South Korea



Many Paths to the Top

What is a Customer-Centric Business Strategy?



"Delivering the total customer value that drives genuinely loyal customer attitudes and behaviors in a target market, resulting in competitive differentiation and long-term profitable growth for the enterprise."

-- Bob Thompson

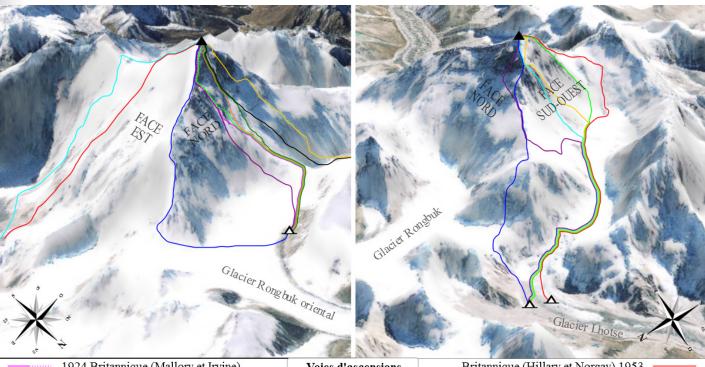
Mega Trends: Seeking a Competitive Edge





The climb is not for the faint of heart





1924 Britannique (Mallory et Irvine)

1960 Chinoise

1980 Japonaise

1980 Reinhold Messner (en solitaire)

1983 Américaine

1984 Américaine

1984 Australienne

1988 Internationale

1995 Japonaise

1996 Russe

Voies d'ascensions de l'Everest

Sommet Camp de base



Britannique (Hillary et Norgay) 1953

Américaine 1963

Britannique 1975

Yougoslave 1979

Polonaise 1980

Soviétique 1982

PRM

CRM

CEM

Outside-In

Co-Creation

ODI

NPS

Enterprise 2.0

Social CRM

SD Logic

CXM

Big Data

RPM

CBM

Great businesses need Logic and Creativity

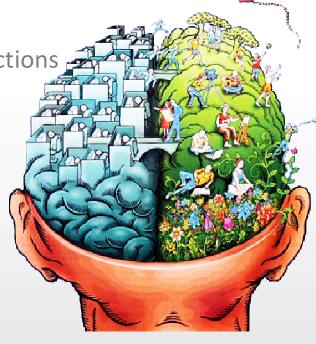


CRM = Left Brain

Value to Enterprise

Systems and Transactions

Functional Value



CEM = Right Brain

- Value to Customer
- People and Interactions
- Emotional Value



Loyalty is Job One



What Do Your Customers Really Value?





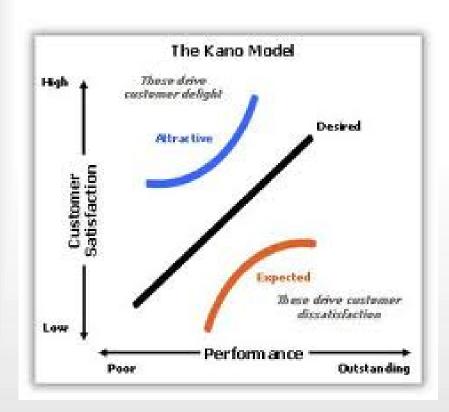






The Devil is in the Details





Source: GfK Customer Loyalty



Source: Walker Information



Tools Don't Make the Carpenter

Methods and Tools



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CUSTOMERS

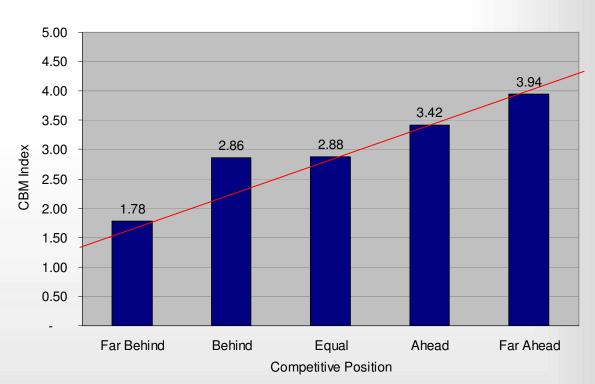
CBM leaders make stronger competitors



Capabilities

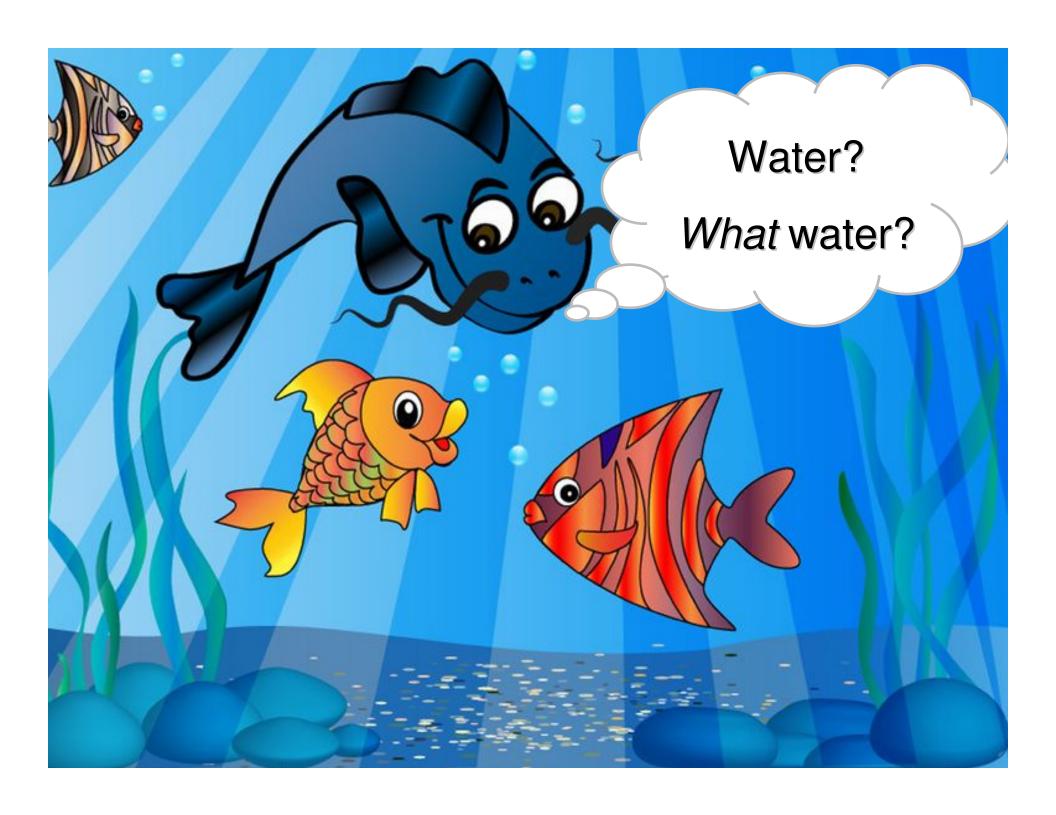
- Customer Strategy
- Metrics & Analysis
- Organization & People
- Process & Experience Design
- Information Technology
- Collaboration

CBM Index by Competitive Position





Can't Fake Culture



What you don't measure and reward, doesn't get done





42% of companies don't reward employees for loyalty-building efforts

Source: CustomerThink



Five Habits Drive Lasting Success

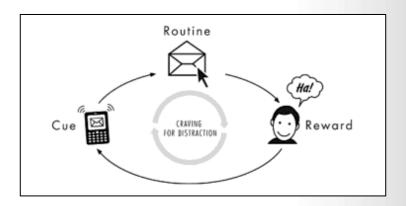
Habits Turn Good Intentions into Value

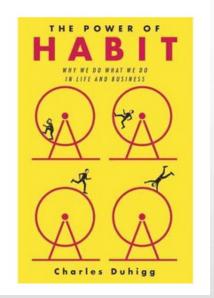


Business Strategy

Organizational Habits

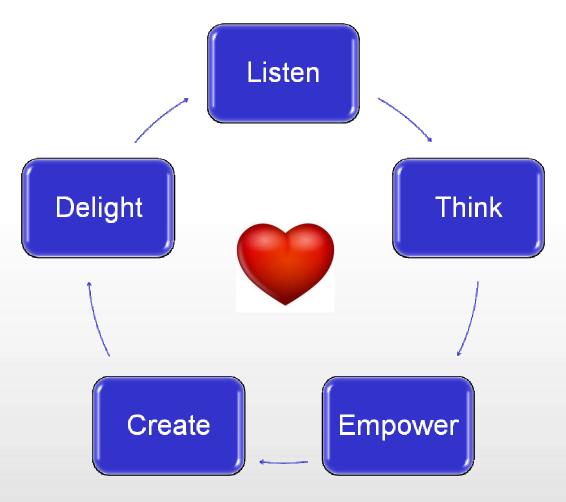
Customer Value





Customer-centricity is <u>systematic</u> <u>behavior</u>, not a program, project or platitude





1. Listen: Culture + Enabling Systems

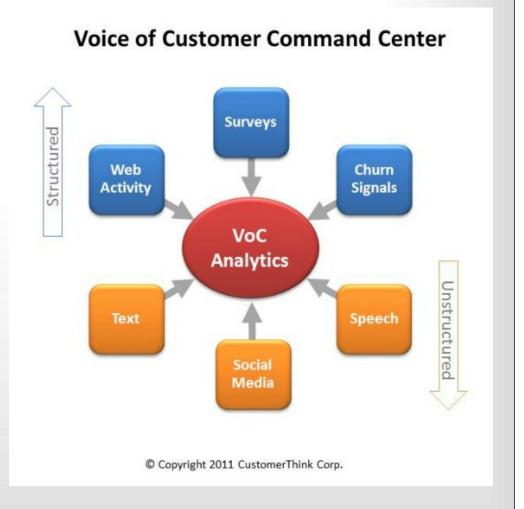




How am I doin'?



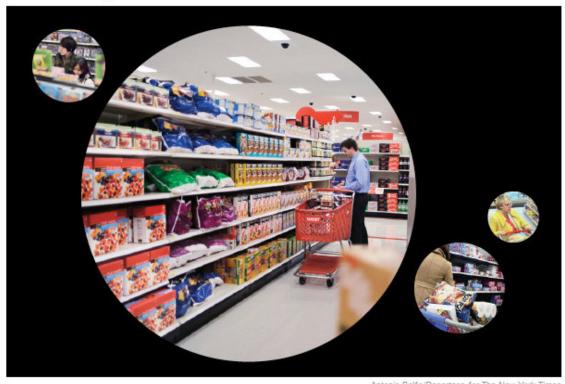
Reserved for customer



2. Think: Because Hope is not a **Strategy**



How Companies Learn Your Secrets



Antonio Bolfo/Reportage for The New York Times

Source: NY Times



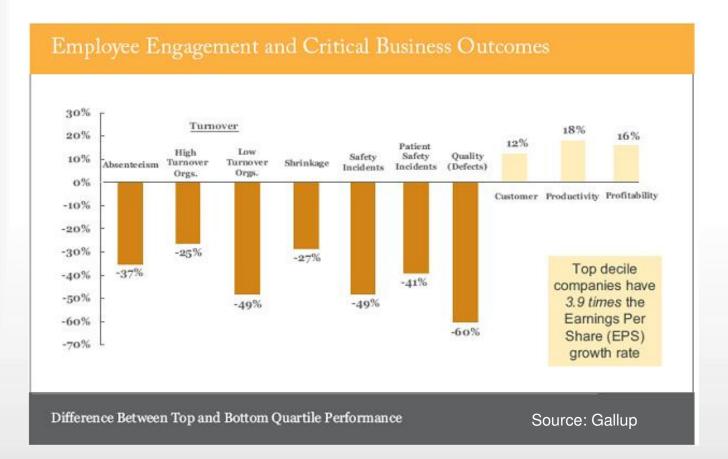




By CHARLES DUHIGG

3. Empower: Enable engaged employees to take ownership, serve customers







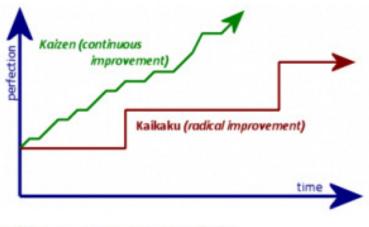




4. Create: Value for Customer and Company



Continuous Improvement



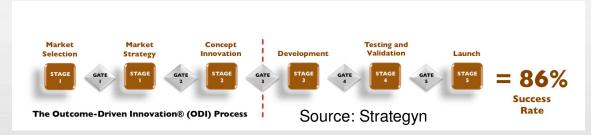
Kaizen - continuous improvement

Source: http://www.thetoyotasystem.com





"Jobs to Be Done"





5. Delight: Exceed Expectations, Be Remarkable!



Attributes of companies that deliver "consistently excellent customer experiences"

- 1. Well-trained and Helpful Employees
- 2. Excellent Customer Service
- 3. High-Quality Goods and Services
- 4. Friendly and Caring Employees
- 5. Personal Attention, Reward for Loyalty

Source: CustomerThink



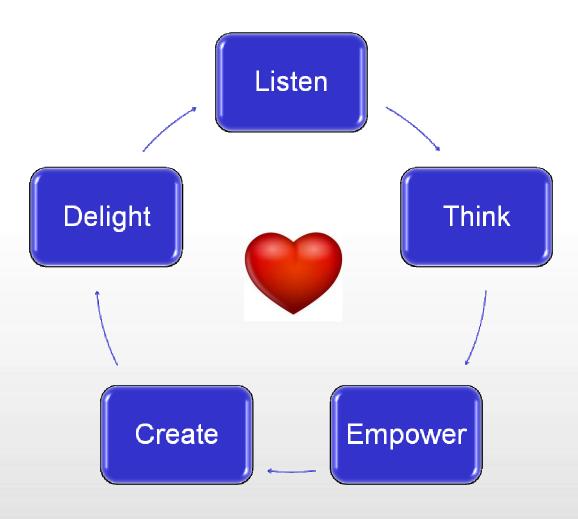






Rinse and Repeat!







Leaders Matter. A LOT.

Success and failure are not (necessarily) permanent



Gone





















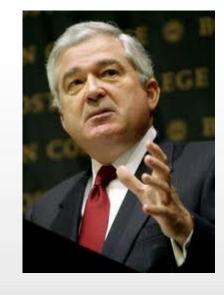


Performance = Leadership + Habits

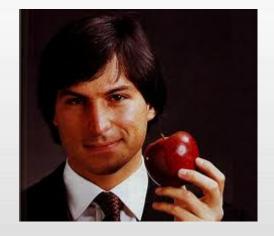




"Our vision is to be earth's most customer centric company; to build a place where people can come to find and discover anything they might want to buy online."









Who is your Chief Customer Officer?









Thank You!

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