# SENDING THE RIGHT EMAIL TO THE RIGHT PERSON.

Inbound Certification Class #8

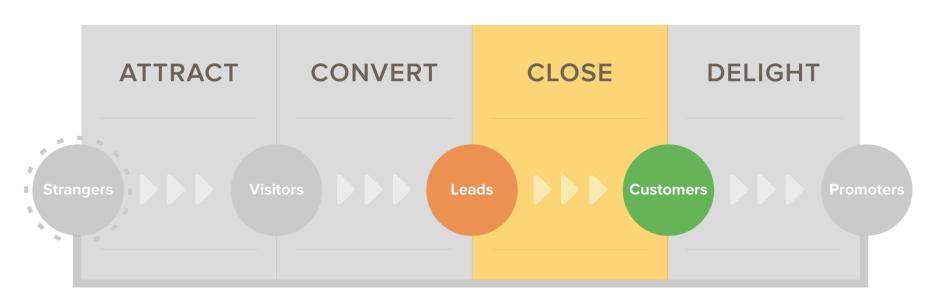


### #INBOUND

#### AGENDA

- 1 Why email marketing is (still) important
- 2 How to send the right email to the right person
- 3 What makes an email world-class
- 4 Key takeaways and resources

#### **Inbound Methodology**





# WHY EMAIL MARKETING IS (STILL) IMPORTANT.



People believe that email marketing means

# SPAM

People also believe that email marketing is

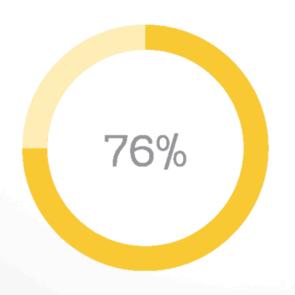
## OLD SCHOOL



#### REASONS THAT EMAIL WORKS.

- 1 There are more than 3.2 billion email accounts today.
- 95% of online consumers use email; 91% check email at least once a day.
- 3 Email has longer lifespan than social media.
- 77% of consumers prefer email for marketing communications.
- 5 Email lets you be highly personal.
- 6 Email marketing has an ROI of 4300%.

#### EMAIL IS GROWING.



Marketers who say they use email more today than they did three years ago. I get it. I'm in.
How can email help me?

#### EMAIL MARKETING WORKS FOR EVERY STAGE OF THE INBOUND METHODOLOGY

- 1 Attract New Visitors
- 2 Convert Visitors Into Leads
- 3 Nurture Leads Into Customers
- 4 Delight Customers Into Promoters

#### ATTRACT NEW VISITORS





# CONVERT VISITORS INTO LEADS



### When a lead forwards your email to someone, you gain the power of social proof.

Encouraging referrals from existing leads helps you generate new ones.



# NURTURE LEADS INTO CUSTOMERS

When you segment lists and tailor emails to each lead, they'll be more engaged.









Nurture leads with content that helps them do their job better.

They'll be more open to speaking to your sales team down the road.

# DELIGHT CUSTOMERS INTO PROMOTERS

Just because a lead becomes a customer doesn't mean your job here is done.





Email is a cost-effective way to strengthen relationships with customers, upsell products, and reduce churn.

# HOW TO SEND THE RIGHT EMAIL TO THE RIGHT PERSON.

#### HOW TO SEND THE RIGHT EMAIL.

- 1 Determine who your audience is
- 2 Segment your contacts database
- 3 Send the right content at the right time
- 4 Nurture your lead into a customer

# DETERMINE WHO YOUR AUDIENCE IS

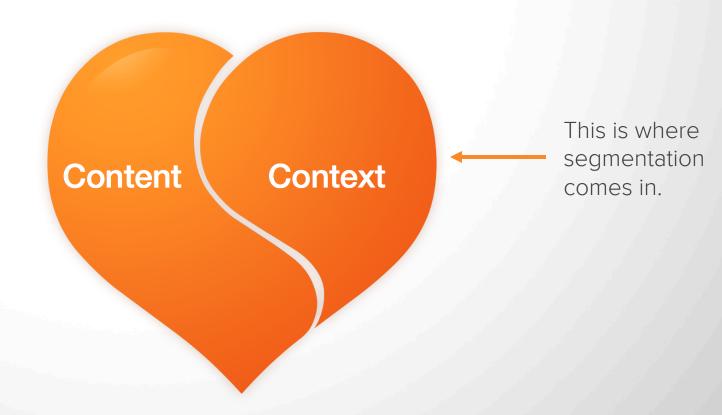
# Right Content Right Audience + Right Timing

### SUCCESS

#### INBOUND MARKETING STRATEGY



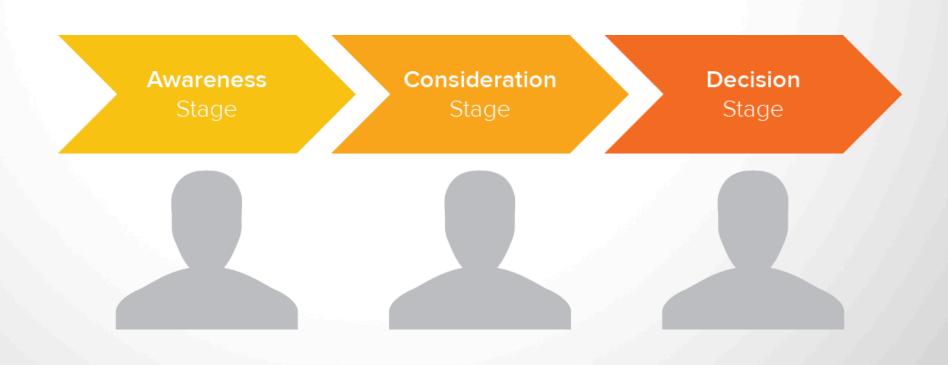
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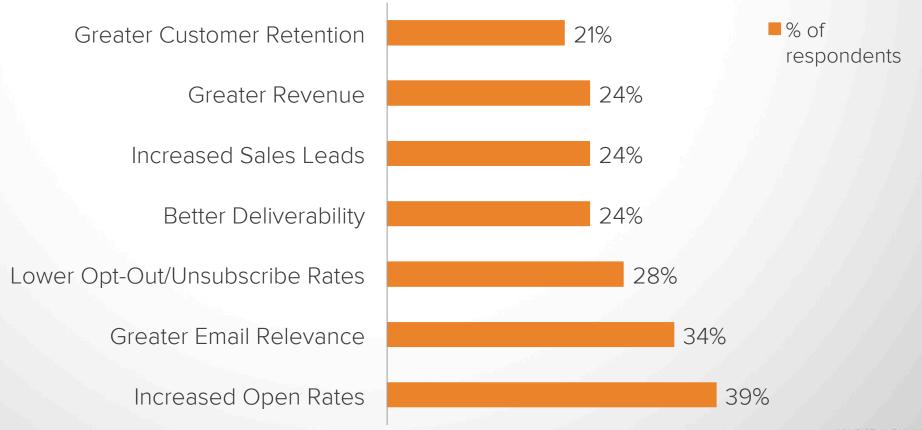
#### THE RIGHT AUDIENCE

- Who are your ideal customers?
- What are their interests?
- What are their pain-points?
- What are their behavior patterns, motivations, and goals?

#### THE RIGHT TIMING



#### **EMAIL LIST SEGMENTATION RESULTS**



# SEGMENT YOUR CONTACTS DATABASE

#### SEGMENT TO HIT SPECIFIC GOALS

✓ Increase deliverability

✓ Increase engagement

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Emailing purchased lists increases your chances of being marked as SPAM and decreases deliverability rates.





Say goodbye to unengaged leads. **Suppress** them from your segmented lists.

Regularly update lists to account for **unsubscribed** contacts.



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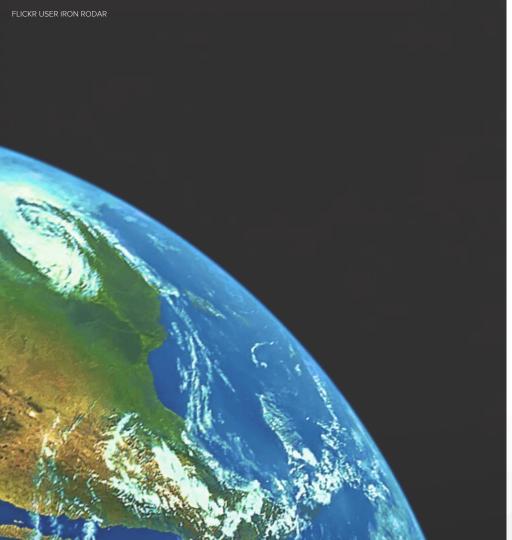
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Sending content to targeted lists increases open rates and click through rates.





### GEOGRAPHIC SEGMENTATION

- IP Area
- Time Zone
- Area Code
- Address



### FIRMOGRAPHIC SEGMENTATION

- Company size
- Company type
- Industry



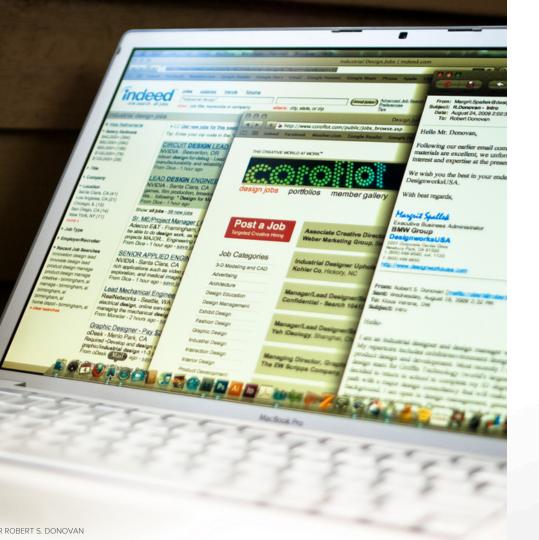
### ROLE SEGMENTATION

- Department
- Seniority
- Function



### BEHAVIORAL SEGMENTATION

- Conversion events
- Email opens
- Page views



### MARKETING INTELLIGENCE

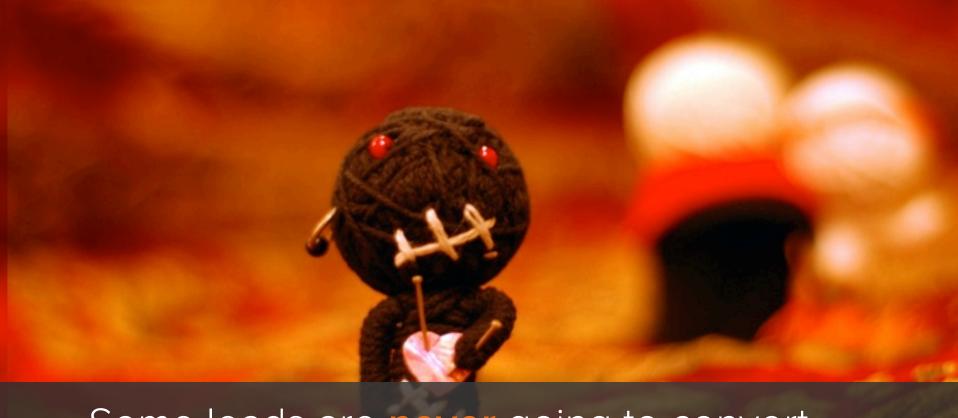
- # of Twitter followers
- # of Facebook fans
- SEO search terms
- Website Pages
- Technology

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Some leads are **never** going to convert. But they **love** you!

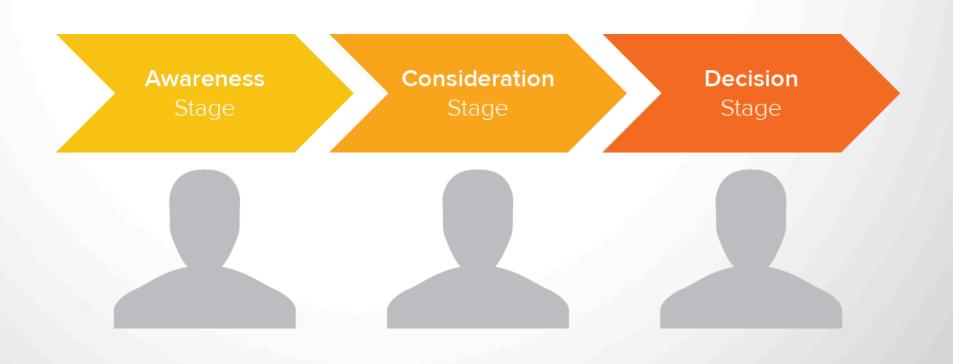


### LET THEM SPREAD THE LOVE.

- Evangelists
- Influencers
- Students

# SEND THE RIGHT CONTENT AT THE RIGHT TIME

### SEND CONTENT THAT FOLLOWS THE BUYER'S JOURNEY



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- Videos
- Blog posts
- Slideshares
- Free Tools
- Ebooks/Guides

### SEND CONTENT THAT FOLLOWS THE BUYER'S JOURNEY

**Consideration** Stage



- Webinars
- Case Studies
- FAQ Sheets
- Product Whitepapers
- Third-Party Reviews

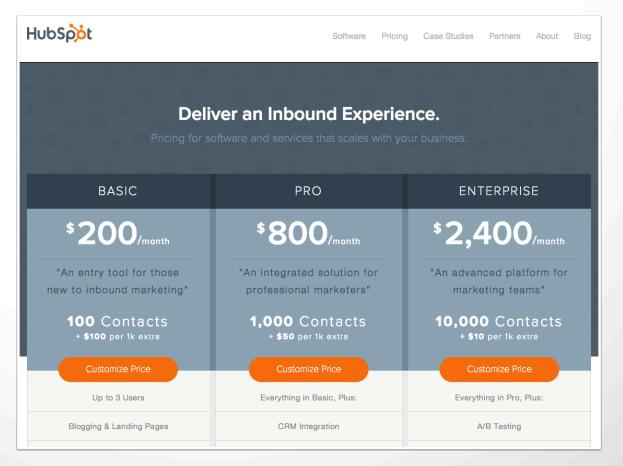
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- Free Trials
- ROI Reports
- Product Demos
- Consultations
- Estimates/Quotes

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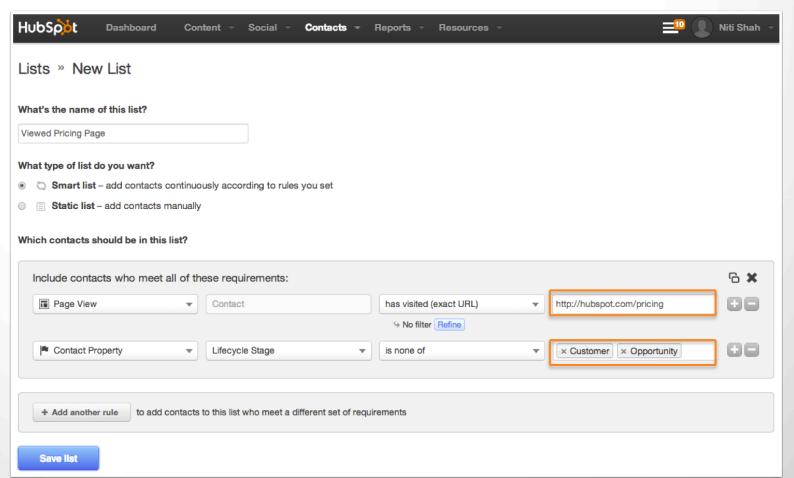
### Say someone views your pricing page...



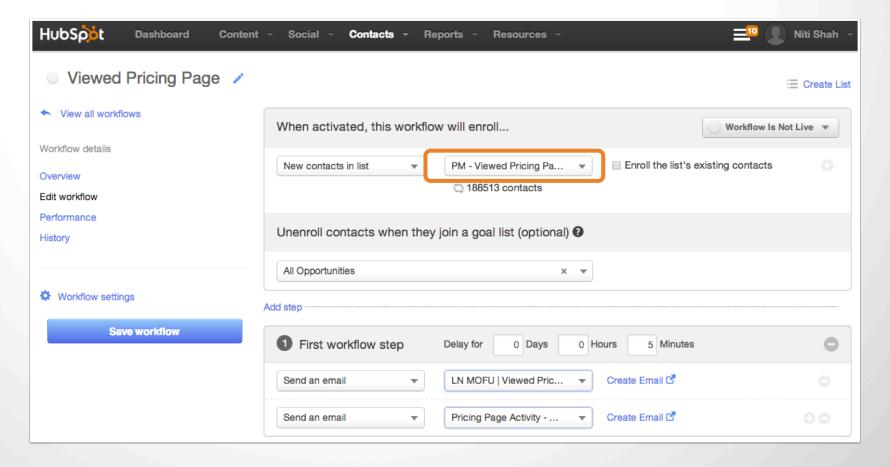
They're interested, but aren't talking to sales yet.

What if you could **instantly** facilitate a conversation and connect them with sales?

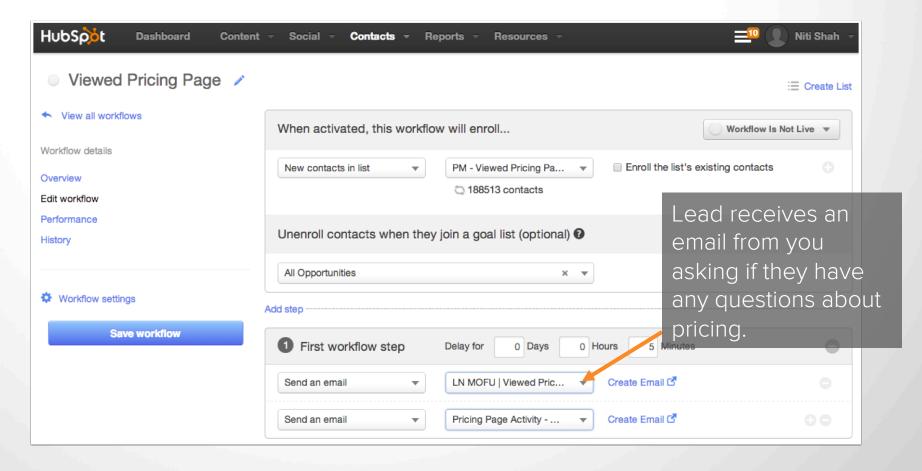
### Create a segmented list...



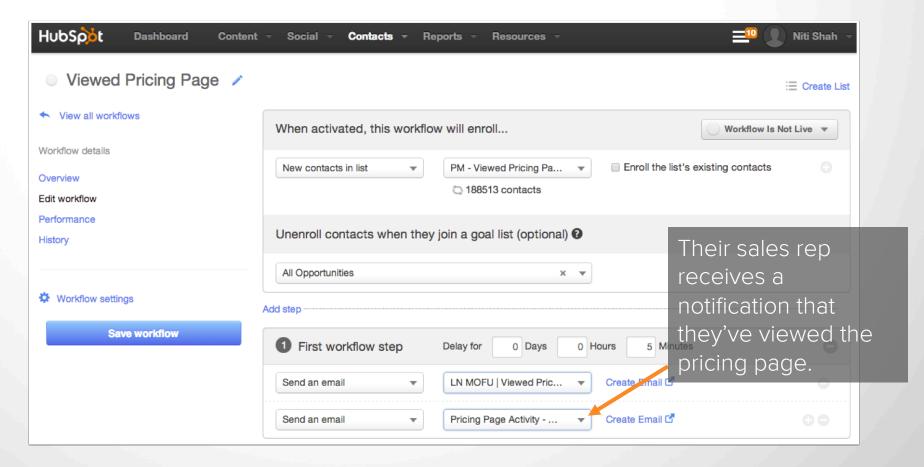
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# WHAT MAKES AN EMAIL WORLD-CLASS.

Emails should add value, not ask for it.





#### **EMAIL BEST PRACTICES**

- 1 Identify a specific goal
- 2 Personalize sender info
- 3 Personalize email copy
- 4 Get to the point
- 5 Address leads directly
- 6 Use actionable language

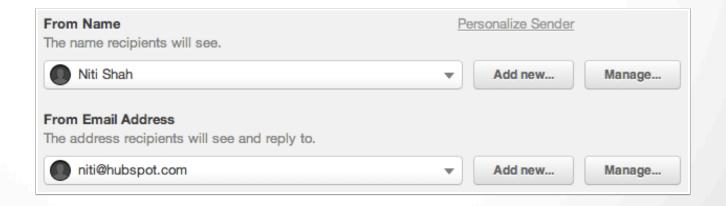
- 7 Focus on benefits
- 8 Use multiple CTAs
- 9 Encourage sharing
- 10 Edit the plain-text
- 11 Optimize for mobile
- 12 Analyze Results

### 1 IDENTIFY A SPECIFIC GOAL.

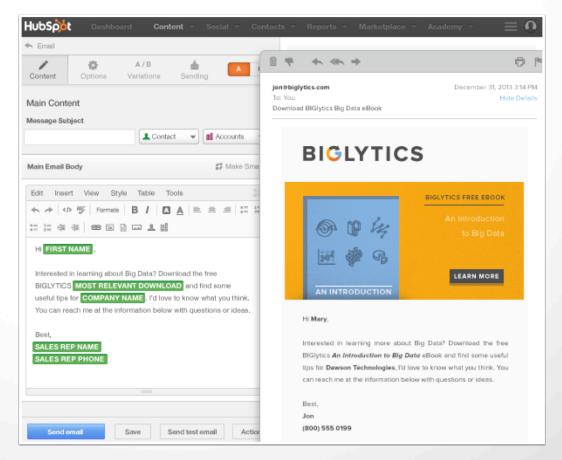
- Generate new leads: enable sharing
- Follow up on offer download: kickback email
- Collect audience feedback: surveys
- Increase program awareness: informative copy
- Nurture leads further down the funnel: resources
- Facilitate sales process: CTA such as "call us"
- Educate customers about new features: overview

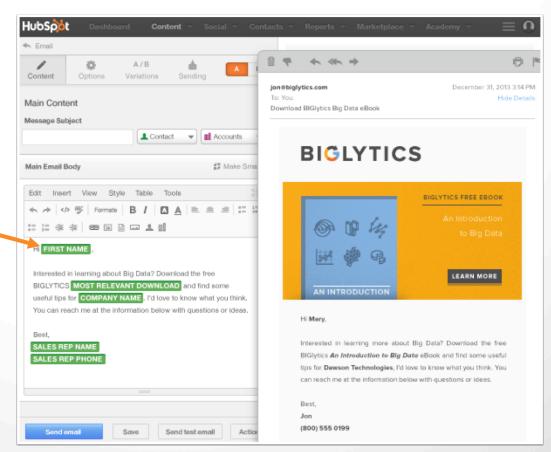
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# SEND YOUR EMAIL FROM A PERSON, NOT A COMPANY.

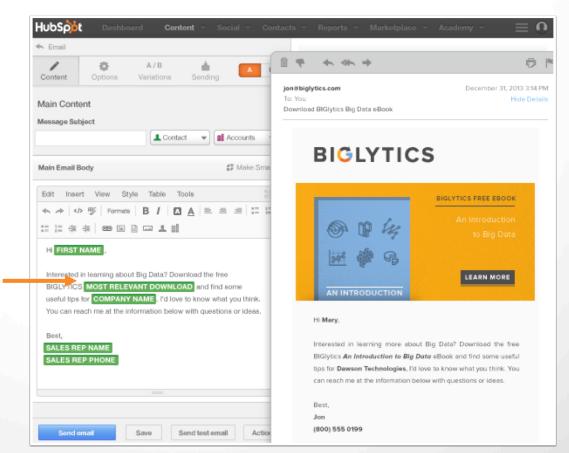


Increase open rate by 3-5%



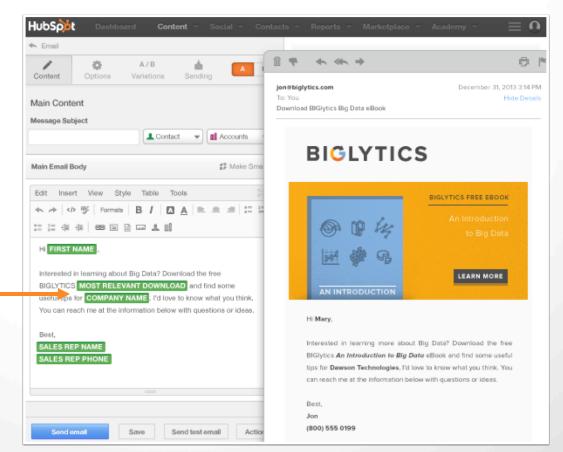


First name



Most relevant download



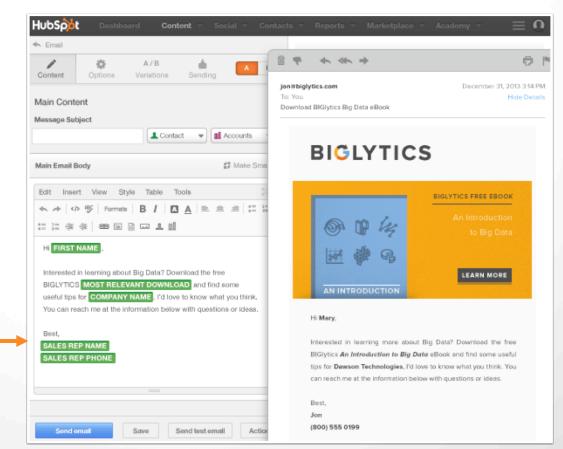


Company name



Sales rep info

#### USE PERSONALIZATION.







Over 75% of email revenue is now generated by alternatives to generic one-size-fits-all campaigns.



Personalized emails see 14% higher click-through rates and 10% more conversions.

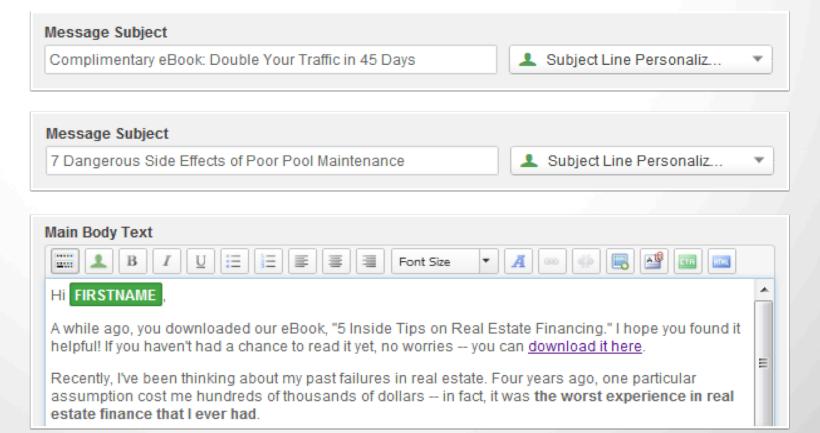


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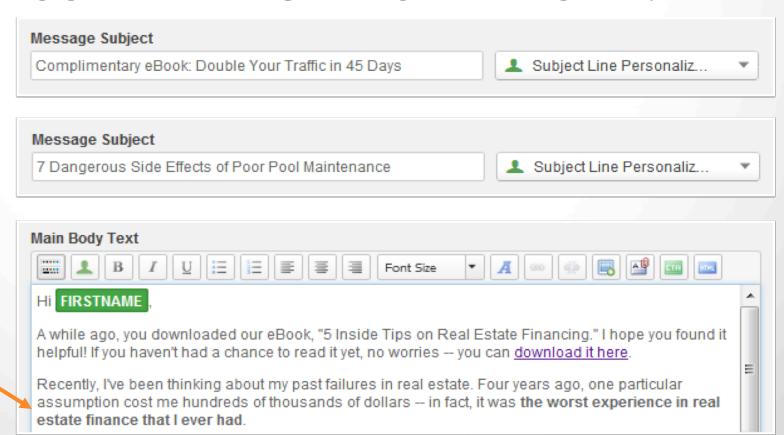


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### SPEAK DIRECTLY TO A PERSON.

Not enough agencies realize that their website is the best tool they have to <u>position themselves</u> as experts and drive online business. Are you using yours effectively? Find out by downloading our agency ebook, The Ultimate Guide to Marketing Your Agency.

Download Your Ebook Creation Bundle and Start Generating More Leads Now >>

Since you indicated that you are evaluating marketing software, I wanted to point you towards some unbiased, third-party reports and reviews that might help you with your decision.

## 6 USE ACTIONABLE LANGUAGE.

- Incorporate verbs into your in-text CTAs and CTA buttons
  - Get Your Templates
  - Start Your Project Now
  - Reserve Your Seat
- Let lead know what they can do by clicking your email's in-text CTAs and CTA buttons
  - Save time
  - Generate more leads
  - Increase production efficiency by 23%

### FOCUS ON BENEFITS, NOT FEATURES.

#### Instantly see how connected you really are.

Why set arbritary six month "followup" dates when you can review your engagement history with a prospect, and connect when you're both ready? The Signals app loads your conversation history so you're equipped with the intelligence you need to click, connect, close.

#### In this ebook, you'll learn:

- Guidelines on lead nurturing segmentation
- How to create behavior-based workflows
- How to integrate lead nurturing with other marketing efforts

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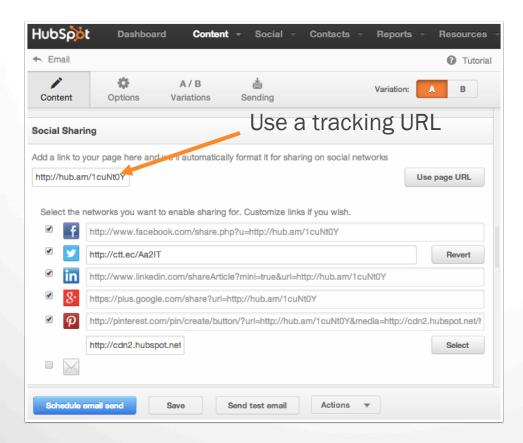


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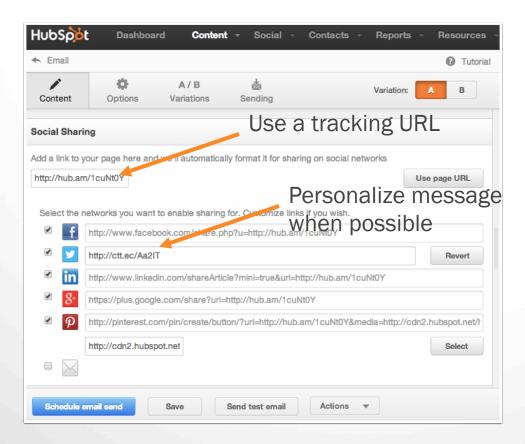




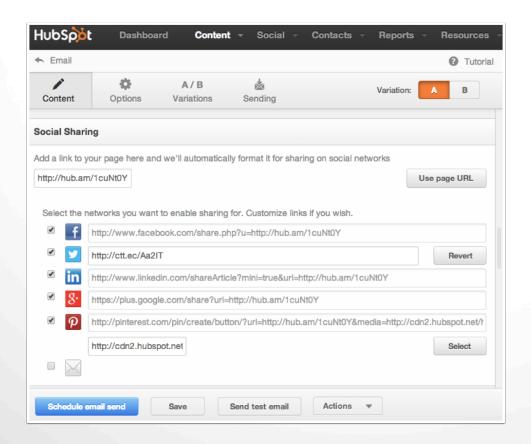






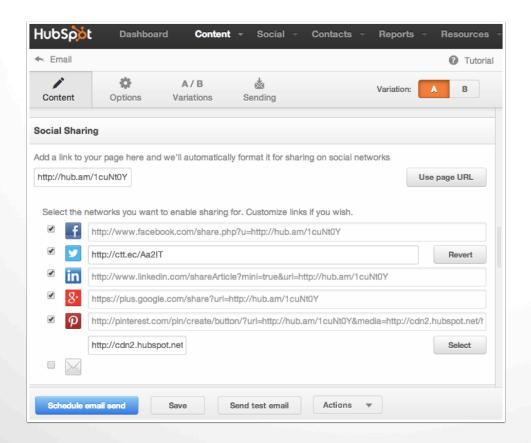






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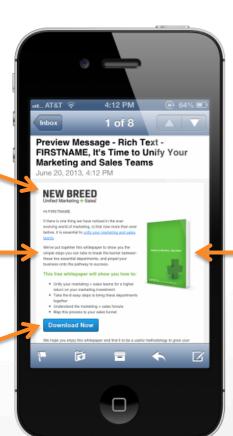
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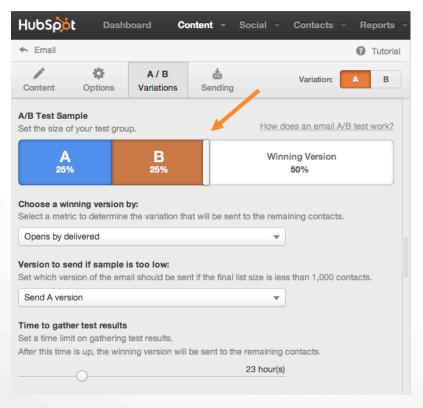
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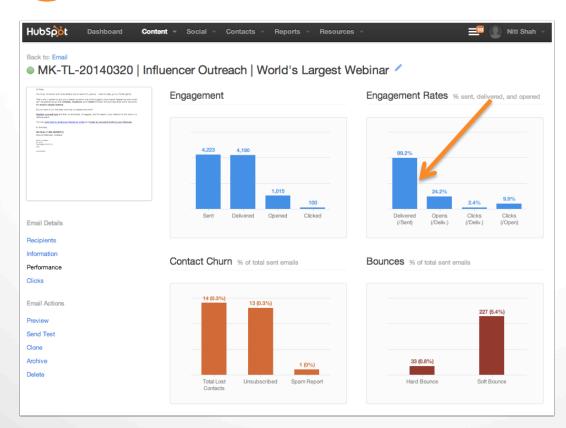
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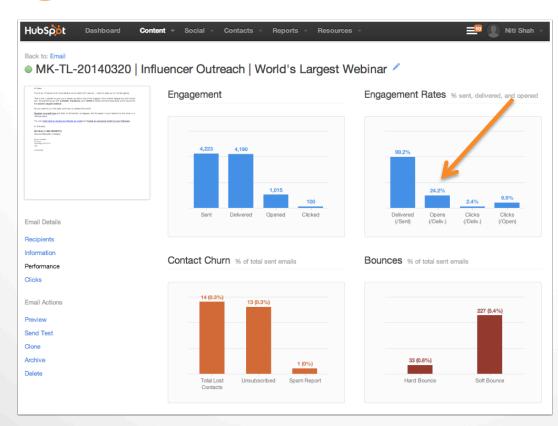
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- Subject line optimization
- Email templates
- Offers
- Length
- Images
- Copy
- CTAs

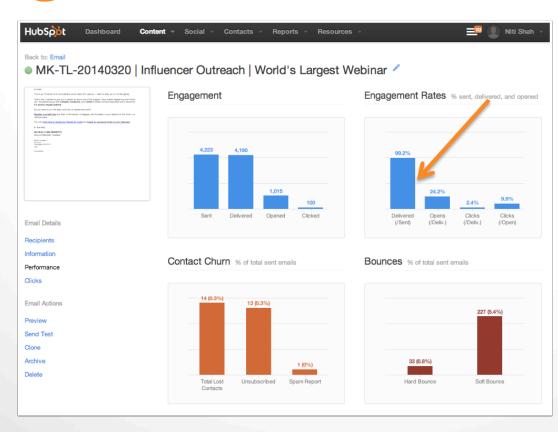


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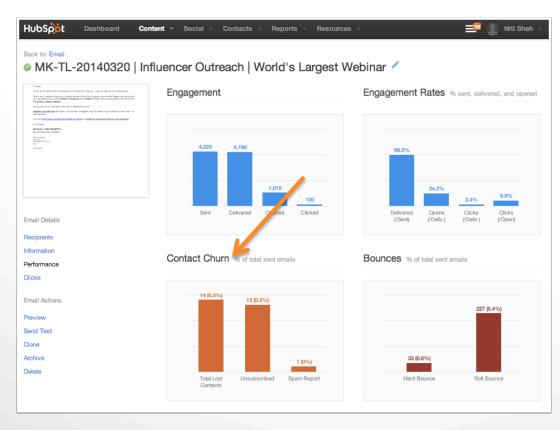
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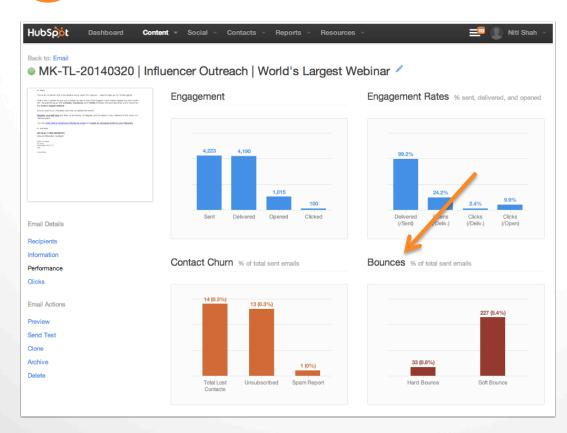
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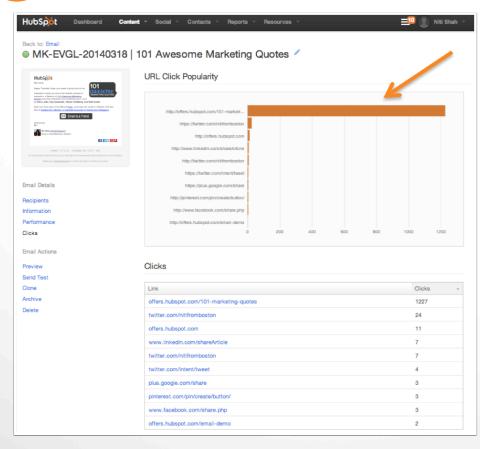
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- Contact churn



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- Hard/soft bounces



#### **Analyze segment behavior:**

- URL click popularity
- Unsubscribes vs, email preference changes
- Social shares by channel
- CTA click rate



### **Example:** Product Email

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Companies that use inbound marketing get 54% more leads than those that don't. We make it easier by providing all the tools and analytics you need in one place. They're integrated, so you can track the ROI of your entire marketing campaign on one central dashboard.

Are you using inbound marketing effectively? Here's a <u>5-minute presentation</u> that breaks down what it is, and how it can help you increase traffic, leads, and customers.



Not responsible for your company's inbound marketing strategy? Please feel free to forward this presentation to any colleagues who might find it useful.

All the best,



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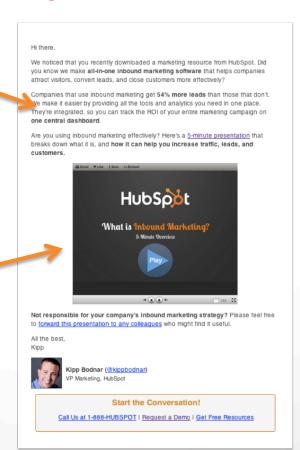
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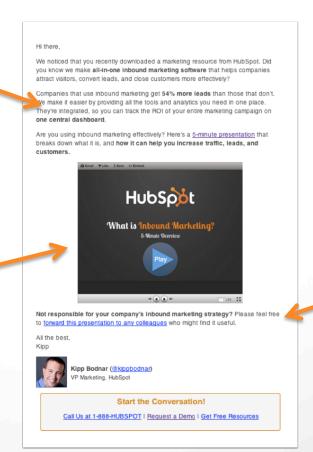
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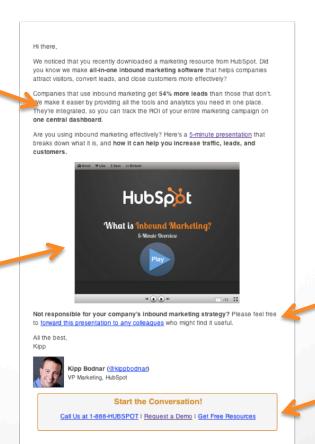


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Primary goal of this email is to encourage leads to learn more about the product. CTAs reflect that.

#### HubSpot

Hi there.

Determining marketing budgets is no one's favorite task, but it's essential to your organization's ability to hit goals. You can save time with these 8 free budget templates.

#### Download Your 8 Marketing Budget Templates Now >>



These budget templates are broken out by 7 marketing channels, and also includes a master template where you can manage all your budget at the monthly/quarterly level.

And help us make other marketers' lives easier: click here to forward these templates to your friends and colleagues.



Happy budgeting!



Sharing







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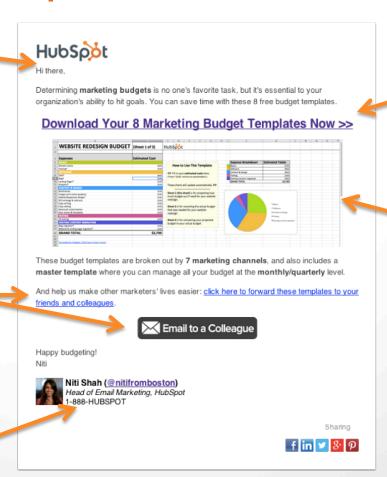


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Social sharing buttons to generate new leads

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unsubscribe

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goal: in this case, connecting

lead with sales immediately.

Plaintext style simulates 1:1 email

State reason for sending email

Hi there.

How are you? I wanted to check in with you one last time -- did you have any questions about HubSpot's marketing software and how it can help you increase traffic, leads, and customers?

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Personalize sender. A real person

is emailing. Note the position of the sender – gives authority.

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- 1 To be successful at email marketing, you need to send the right content to the right person at the right time.
- Email marketing can be used for brand awareness, lead generation, lead to customer conversion, and customer retention.
- 3 Segmenting your contacts database increases engagement and deliverability and decreases unsubscribe rates.

# KEY TAKEAWAYS

- 4 You can use segmented lists to trigger nurturing sequences to move leads further down the funnel.
- 5 Each email should have one specific goal.
- 6 Personalization increases engagement and conversions.
- 7 Take the time to optimize emails detail is key.

## RESOURCES

- 1 The Anatomy of a 5-Star Email [eBook]
- 2 Optimizing Email Marketing for Conversions [downloadable guide]
- 3 <u>8 Little Tricks to Make Your Emails More</u> <u>Clickable</u> [blog post]