SENDING THE RIGHT EMAIL TO THE RIGHT PERSON.

Inbound Certification Class #8

HubSpot Academy

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AGENDA

- 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.

Here's what people think about email.

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People believe that email marketing means



People also believe that email marketing is

OLD SCHOOL

Is email still effective?

REASONS THAT EMAIL WORKS.

- There are more than 3.2 billion email accounts today.
- 95% of online consumers use email; 91% check email at least once a day.
- Email has longer lifespan than social media.
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77% of consumers prefer email for marketing communications.



Email lets you be highly personal.

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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

Attract New Visitors

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Convert Visitors Into Leads

3 Nurture Leads Into Customers

4 Delight Customers Into Promoters



People like to share content they like.

Segmented lists + relevant content + sharing = exponential reach beyond existing leads

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Use email to gain



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.





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



Build a relationship with your lead by being **helpful**.

Email doesn't have to be a one-sided conversation. Use it to **listen** to your audience trigger email responses.

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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.



Continue to engage customers by sending helpful resources and customer-only extras – attention is key to delight.



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.

Determine who your audience is

2 Segment your contacts database

3 Send the right content at the right time

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Nurture your lead into a customer

DETERMINE WHO YOUR AUDIENCE IS

Right Content Right Audience + Right Timing

SUCCESS

INBOUND MARKETING STRATEGY



INBOUND MARKETING STRATEGY

Content Context

This is where segmentation comes in.

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 TO HIT SPECIFIC GOALS

Increase deliverability



✓ Increase reach

SEGMENT TO HIT SPECIFIC GOALS

Increase deliverability





Your list **decays** at 25% a year. A list with 10,000 contacts will only have 5,625 viable contacts in 3 years.

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



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Say goodbye to unengaged leads. **Suppress** them from your segmented lists. Regularly update lists to account for **unsubscribed** contacts.



SEGMENT TO HIT SPECIFIC GOALS

✓ Increase deliverability





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

SEGMENT TO HIT SPECIFIC GOALS

✓ Increase deliverability



✓ Increase reach



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

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LET THEM SPREAD THE LOVE.

- Evangelists
- Influencers
 - Students

SEND THE RIGHT CONTENT AT THE RIGHT TIME





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



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



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



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.

It is also essential that you OPTIMIZE YOUR EMAILS.

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

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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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Complimentary eBook: Double Your Traffic in 45 Days

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5 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%

7 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



Add CTA to Signature

Edit alt-text of images + CTAs

All the best,

Start the July Quiz

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1 OPTIMIZE FOR MOBILE.

Does the logo work on a smaller screen?

Is the text legible? Does it zoom properly?

Is the Call-to-Action functional?



Do images display correctly?

12 ANALYZE YOUR RESULTS.



Time to gather test results

Set a time limit on gathering test results.

After this time is up, the winning version will be sent to the remaining contacts.

23 hour(s)

RUN A/B TESTS FOR:

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





Delivery rates





- Delivery rates
- Open rates





- Delivery rates
- Open rates
- Click-through rates





- Delivery rates
- Open rates
- Click-through rates
- Contact churn



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Analyze segment behavior:

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

OK, that's great. But what does a world-class email **look like** when you've put all of it together?

Example: Product Email

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Personalize sender. A real person is emailing. Note the position of

the sender – gives authority.

KEY TAKEAWAYS AND RESOURCES.

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- To be successful at email marketing, you need to send the right content to the right person at the right time.
- 2 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

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