

#### Create a Killer Elevator Pitch

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#### The Elevator Pitch





#### 6 Steps to Create a Killer Elevator Pitch

## Step 1: Know Your Audience

- Investors
- Potential Clients
- Potential Employer
- Referrers
- Etc.





## Step 1: Know Your Audience

- 1. Make a list of potential audiences
- 2. Choose one to focus on

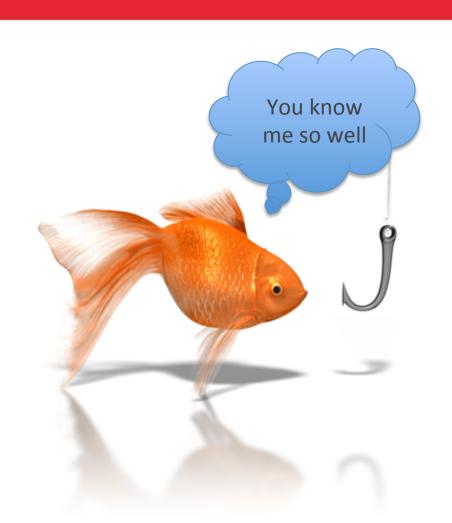




## Step 2: Hook Your Audience

- Appeal to interests
- Fulfill a need
- Solve a problem

**Grab attention** 





## Step 2: Hook Your Audience

- List your audience's problems/needs and interests
- 2. Prioritize your list
- 3. List words and phrases that:
  - Address the problems/needs
  - Appeal to their interests
- 4. Write your hook



## Step 3: State What You Do

- YOU, not your business/product/service
- Focus on your strengths and passions





## Step 3: State What You Do

- Benefits oriented
  - How does it benefit your listener?
- KISS Keep It Short and Simple
  - Clear and concise



## Step 3: State What You Do

- 1. List your strengths, skills and passions
- 2. Narrow down your list to align with your audience's needs and interests
- 3. Choose the most important/pertinent skills to include in your elevator pitch
- 4. Write your "what you do" section



## Step 4: Elevate Your Value

- Share success stories
  - Short
  - Relevant
  - Audience focused
    - Example: Closing the deal vs. differentiator



## Step 4: Elevate Your Value

- 1. Compile a list of relevant success stories
- 2. Choose the stories that will best resonate with your audience
- 3. Compress stories into 1 to 2 short, yet compelling sentences



### Step 5: Drive Action

- Encourage interaction beyond the 60
- Ask open ended questions
  - What are your tips for keeping your audience engaged when you speak?
  - Not all about you
    - What do you do?
    - What brought you here today?

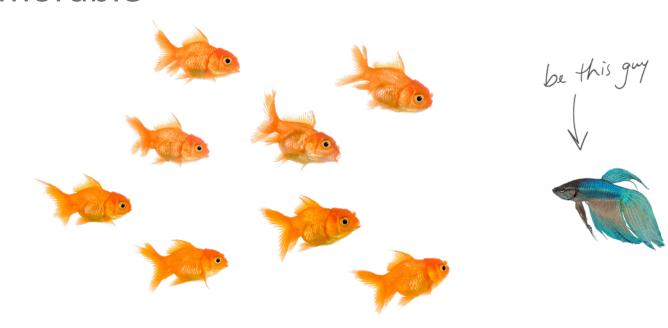


### Step 5: Drive Action

- 1. Make a list of actions you want your audience to take
- 2. Turn the actions into open-ended questions or action statements

# Step 6: Be Creative

- Stand out from the crowd
- Be memorable





### Step 6: Be Creative

- 1. Pull all the parts of your elevator pitch together
- 2. Think of creative ways to re-word it
- 3. Rewrite your elevator pitch
- 4. Get feedback from others
- 5. Tweak your pitch



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# Step 7: Prepare for Mephobia

# mephobia

The fear of becoming so awesome that the human race can't handle it.



### **Next Steps**

- Write your elevator pitch
- Practice your elevator pitch
- Deliver your elevator pitch
- Engage in #winning



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