LinkedIn Essentials





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Using the Chat window, answer:

"How would you rate your current knowledge of LinkedIn?"

Why Linkedin?

Slide 5





Using the Chat window, answer:

"How would you summarize LinkedIn in a sentence?"



LinkedIn

"LinkedIn is the world's largest professional network with over 120 million members and growing rapidly. LinkedIn connects you to your trusted contacts and helps you exchange knowledge, ideas, and opportunities with a broader network of professionals."



Linked in as a Tool

- Relationship management tool
- People searching tool
- Prospecting/sales tool
- Job search/recruitment tool
- Business intelligence tool
- Reputation management tool
- Marketing tool

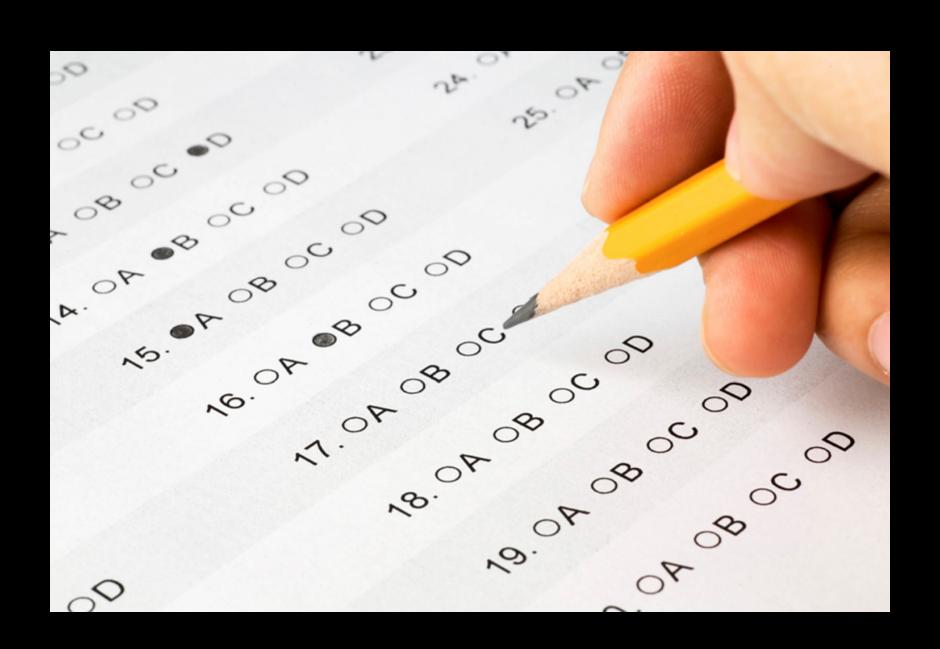




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What's Your Strategy?



Start With Your Personal Brand



What are some of the first words people would use to describe you?



"I'm treated like the Class Clown"

Start With Your Personal Brand



The Brand I'm Working On

Developing leaders
Delivering projects
Engaging, practical, & helpful
Easy to work with
Makes problems go away

Start With Your Personal Brand



What brand are you building?

Elevator Speech





Elevator Speech

- Succinct way to answer questions such as:
 - √"So, what do you do?"
 - √ "What does your company do?"
 - ✓ "Tell me about your team?"
 - √ "What's this project about?"





Elevator Speech Formulas

Marketing Formula

For Andy

✓ Target

PMs, executives, aspiring leaders

✓ Problem

Slipped deadlines, poor performing teams, insufficient leadership bandwidth

✓ Desired Outcome

Successful project delivery, highly performing teams, improved business results

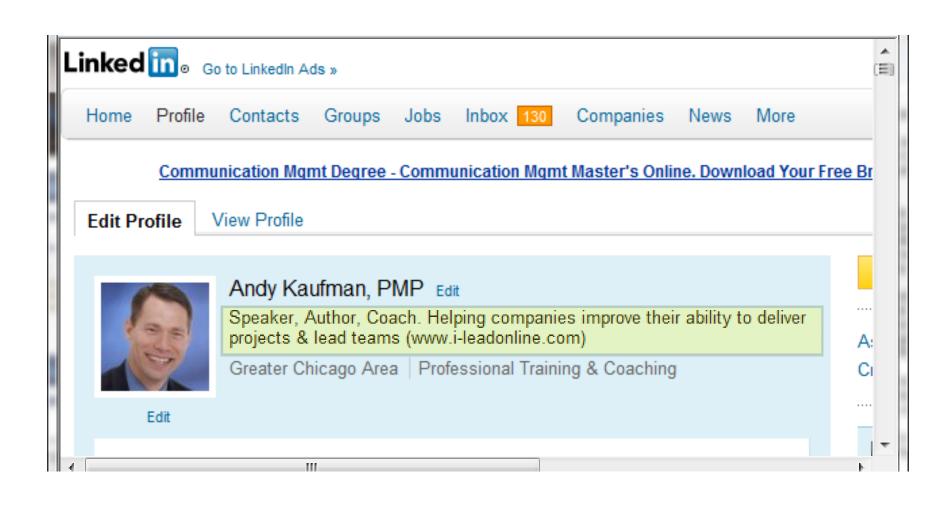
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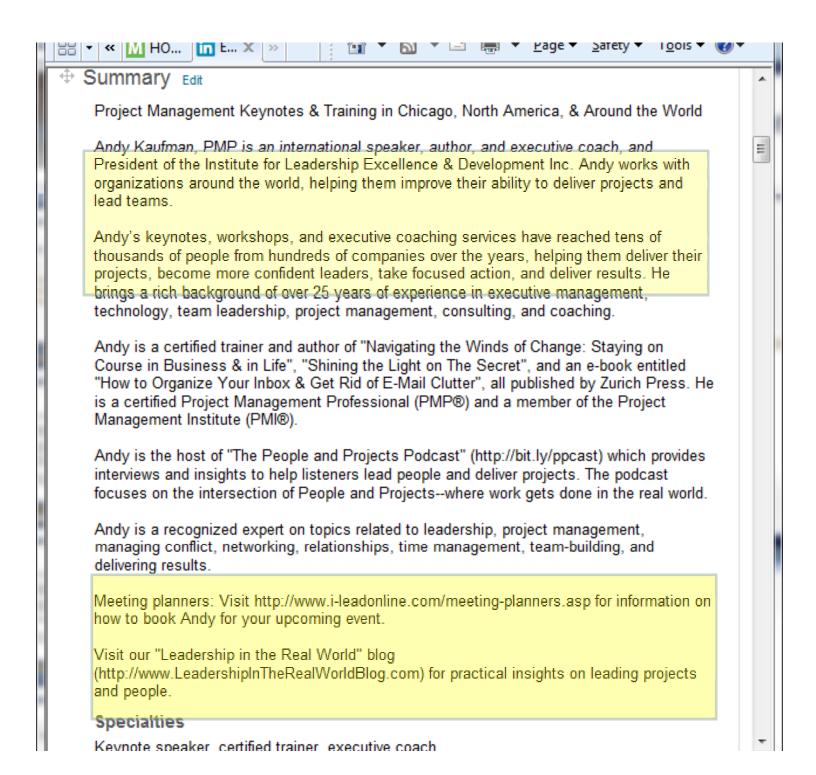
(Stories from past coaching clients, training clients, meeting planners)

✓ Call to Action

Click to learn more, free report, call for info, free coaching session

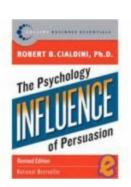








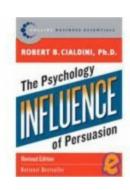
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Robert Cialdini,
persuasion &
influence
expert!"

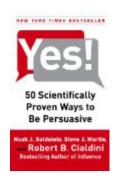






Through extensive research, identified six weapons of influence





Cialdini's Weapons of Influence and Linked in.

- Reciprocation
- Commitment & Consistency
- Social Proof
- Authority
- Scarcity
- Liking



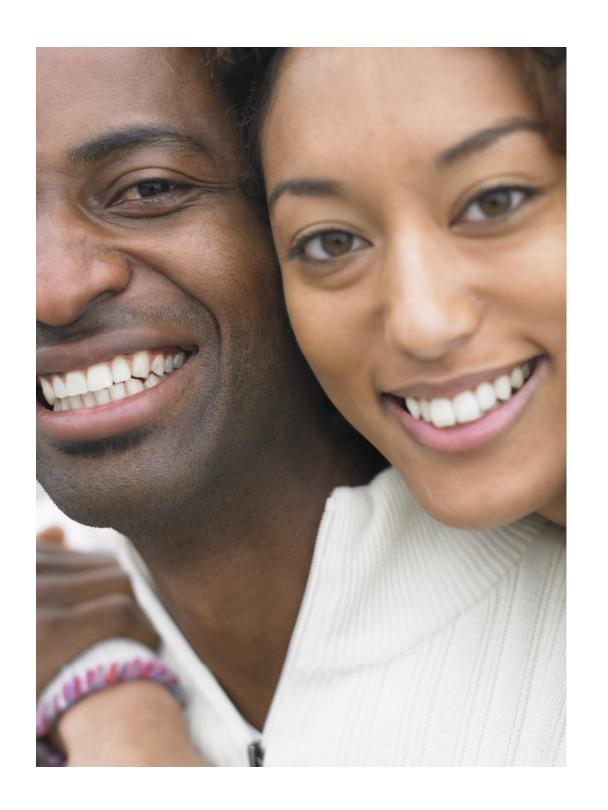
Liking

- "People prefer to say "Yes" to individuals they know and like."
- Evaluate the deal/offer/situation, not just the person



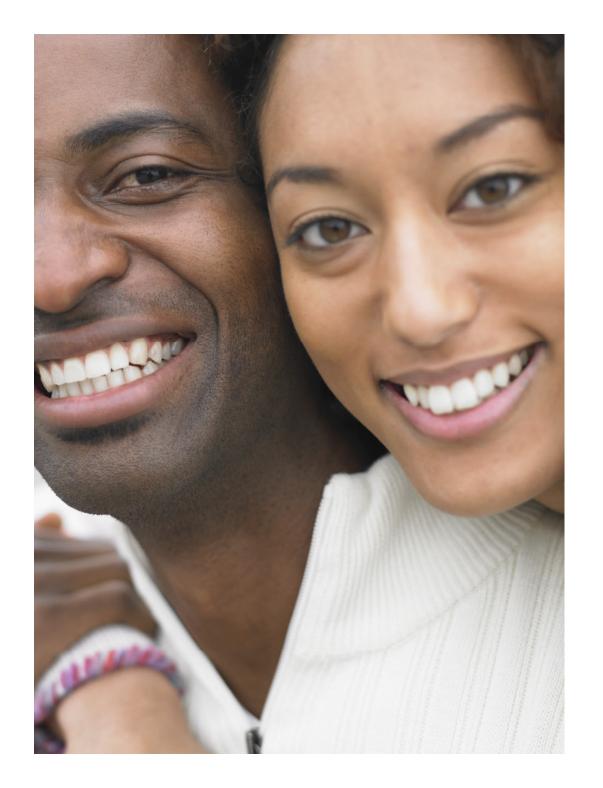






Physical Attractiveness

- Greater
 advantage than
 once supposed
- "Halo effect" extends favorable impressions



Physical Attractiveness

- The way we dress has been proven to impact our ability to get people to say "Yes"
- Implications for your LinkedIn picture



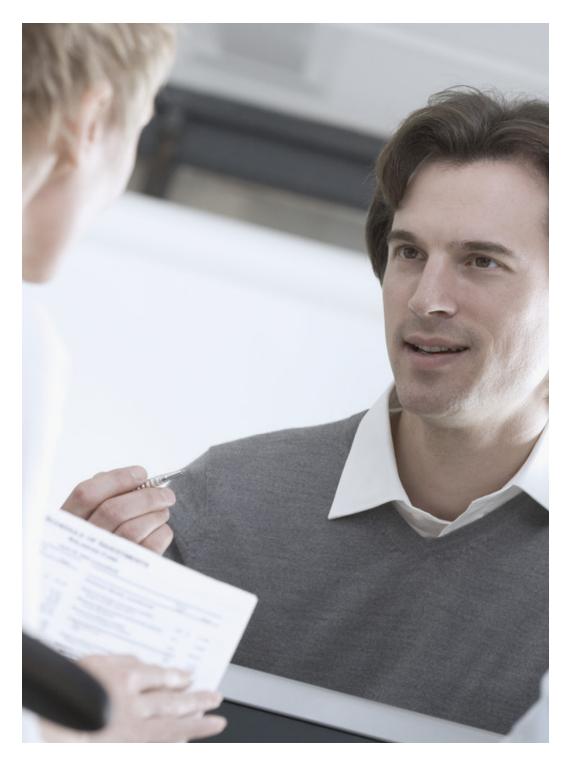
Similarity

- We like people who are like us
- More willing to say "Yes" without much critical consideration
- We would do well to better learn & use the language of the business.
- LinkedIn: Phrasing,
 Skills, Groups, Alumni



Praise

- Generally speaking, compliments enhance liking
- Can back-fire if insincere
- LinkedIn can provide a platform for dishing some praise!



Increased Familiarity

- Repeated contact under positive circumstances
- Consider the opposite!
- Increase contact outside the heat of battle
- LinkedIn: Status comments, Likes, brief messages



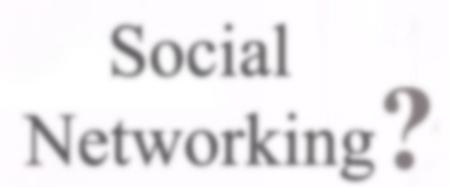
Do these things and you'll be more influential

Linked in and "Liking"

- Present ourselves well
- Building bridges to build similarity
- Platform for being generous with compliments
- More contact in positive situations



Key: Have a strategy





Strategy Depends on Role

- Salesperson
- Job seeker
- Business owner
- Corporate leader
- Author





- 1. Stay in touch with minimal time commitment.
 - ✓ Facebook
 - ✓ LinkedIn
 - ✓ Twitter and
 - ✓ Send Out Cards



- 2. Add value to others by connecting people.
 - ✓ LinkedIn



- 3. Build my business by building relationships.
 - ✓ Facebook
 - **✓** Twitter
 - ✓ LinkedIn and
 - ✓ **Domain specific sites** such as ProjectManagers.net, Test Republic



4. Learn by experimenting

- ✓ Social networking is here to stay.
- ✓ Understand the models so you can leverage the tools.



Keep in Mind

- You have to manage your brand
 - ✓ What messages are you sending?
 - ✓ Use a professional picture
 - √ Think before you post
- Key decisions
 - ✓ What are my goals?
 - ✓ Which tools? E.g. ping.fm, hootsuite
 - ✓ How much time?
 - √ How personal?

Exploring LinkedIn







- Join if you're not on it today
- Update your profile to reinforce your brand, elevator speech
- Invite colleagues
- Join a couple groups
- Brainstorm on how you could use Box.net, SlideShare, other apps
- Select a couple Answers categories to follow





- 15-30 minutes a week
 - ✓ Update your status
 - ✓ Answer a question
 - ✓ Comment on someone's status update
 - ✓ Post or reply to a group
 - ✓ Send an e-mail to a contact
 - ✓ Write a recommendation (or request one)



Questions

What's a question that you have?



Using the Chat window, answer:

"What was helpful in today's discussion?"

Taking Action

- Work on your strategy
 - ✓ Draft Elevator Speech
 - ✓ Develop your networking strategy



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