

#### Startups: Getting into the right mindset for Sales!

#### About Me



- 18 years of B2B Sales
- RCL mentor 5+ years
- Background in Software & Services/Consulting
- \$40M in personal sales





# Make Sales Skills more accessible to Startup Founders

#### Question...



#### Why are you here?

#### Outline

- 1.The problem with Sales...
- 2. Solution
- 3. Examples
- 4. Next Steps







#### 1) The Problem with Sales...



### Typical Scenario



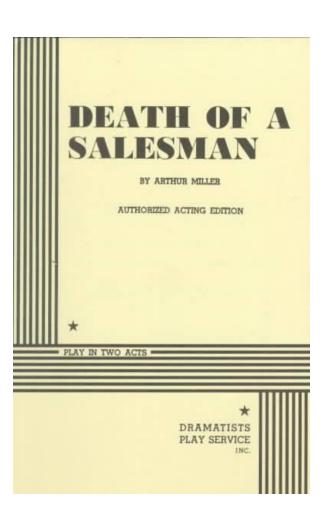
- Tech Startup
- First bit of traction
- When to hire a sales person?
- Problems
  - No template to scale
  - New hire will struggle to understand
  - You can't afford a good sales person



#### What is Sales?

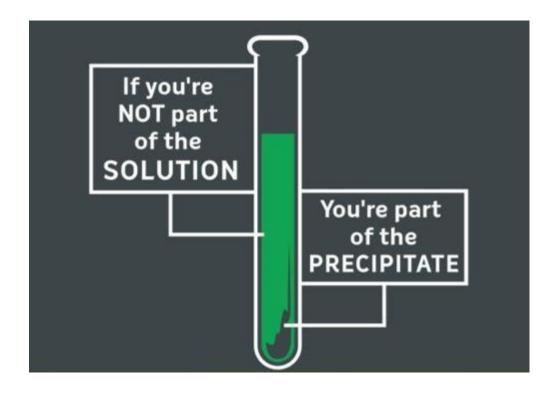
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- Sales = Moving people
- We are all in sales (Daniel Pink)
- Negative societal bias
- Bad Selling vs. Good selling
- No distribution no business!



## 2) Solution





#### Upgrade your skills

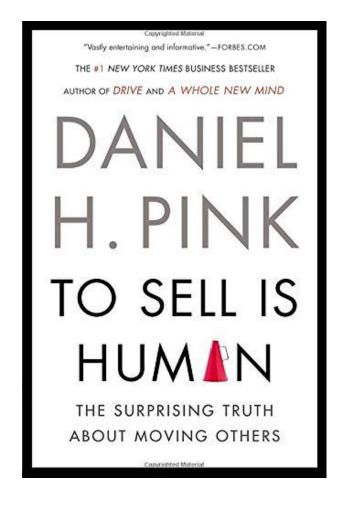
- Upgrading is the Best solution
- Get a coach/mentor
- Network (RCL, Fishburners etc)
- Sales buddy
- Keep learning

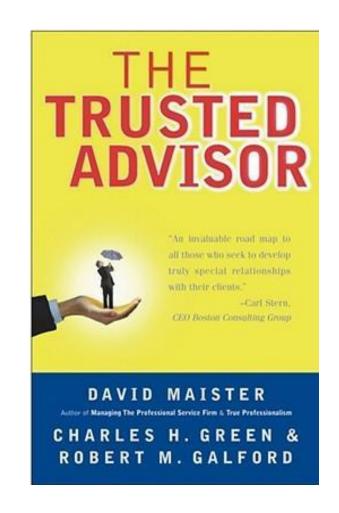












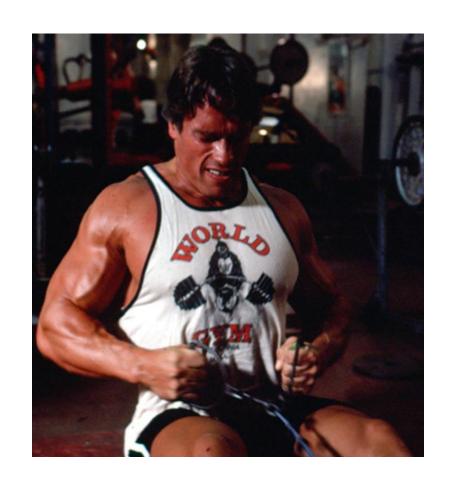




#### Commit to Sales!

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- 1-2 hours / day
- Start 8am
- Track your metrics
  - Outbound calls
  - Outbound emails
  - Meetings booked
  - Proposals submitted
  - Sales closed
- Consistency



## 3) Examples

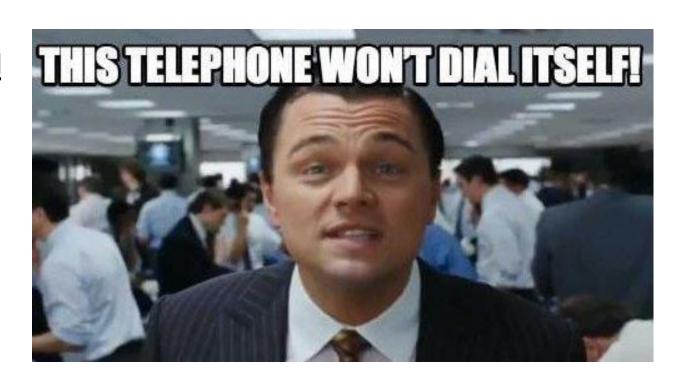




### Prospecting



- Sales is hard for everyone!
- Be you!
- Rejection
- Build your "sales muscle"
- Empathy



## Selling Stage



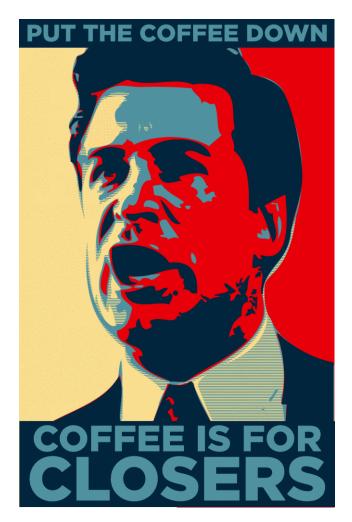
- Be a doctor ©
- First meeting = building relationship
- Ask the single most important question!
- Customer requirements vs. product benefits



### Closing

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- Do you know:
- ✓ Have a deep understanding of customer needs?
- ✓ Does your proposal address their needs?
- √ Have you asked
  - √Their decision processes?
  - √Timeframes?
  - √who has power to sign off?



## Closing Tactic

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- 1. Confirm interest.
- 2. Ask when they want the benefits.
- 3. Work backwards



## Next Steps



- Check out
  - www.bigjump.com.au
  - www.startupsalescoach.net
- 1 month of free sales coaching (limited)
- Beta-group starting in July
  - Maximum of 10 participants
  - Must be Brisbane-based
  - Tech founders only
  - Commit to 1 hour of sales / day
  - 3 months

