Think Small

10 ways to better market to small businesses

ONE

Look beyond firmographics

Don't forget the human stuff when segmenting. Try psychographics, which look at buyers' emotional drivers. Address everyone, address no one. It's time to get smarter.



TWO

Go visit people

Face-to-face meetings build stronger connections than phone calls and emails ever can.



THREE

Stop selling, start helping

Small business owners feel swamped. Help solve their problems and the sales will follow.

FOUR

Support networking events

Offer a space to meet.
Run workshops.
Invite like-minded
businesses to join.
That help thing again.

FIVE

Deliver on your promises

One minor blip can easily become a relationship-ending fail. Do exactly what you say you'll do.
Never over-promise.





SEVEN

Be a trusted adviser

A well-informed sales rep who has the buyer's interests at heart, not the brand's, can be the clincher.



Know what's at stake

Empathy matters.
Never forget that small-business owners put their whole world on the line. Every single day.

NINE

Remember who's the expert

Don't tell owners what's best for their business.
They already know. Ask what you can do to help.



Ditch the jargon

No one trusts it.
Everyone hates it.
A sure-fire way to lose a buyer's interest. To lose anyone's interest.

SIX

Work with communities

Do your bit on the ground. It humanises your brand, builds trust and strengthens bonds with small-business owners.



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