Tapping into Human Behavior to Increase Open, Read and Response Rates

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Shortcuts to decision-making

2010 direct mail spending: \$55.7 billion

5,000 marketing messages per day

13 Choice Drivers

"95% of purchase decision making takes place in the subconscious mind."

Gerald Zaltman
Harvard Business School

People respect authority





Authority Figures



Humans are naturally curious





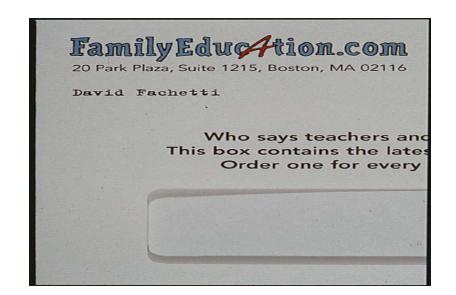
Gatekeepers make very deliberate assumptions





People look at who and where mail is from



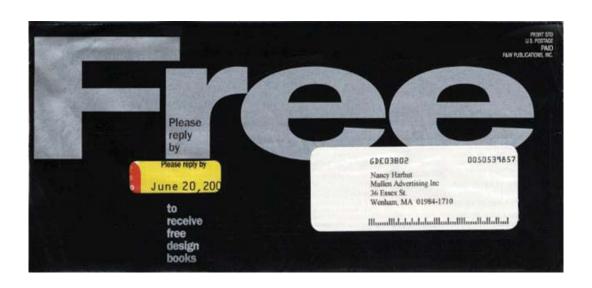


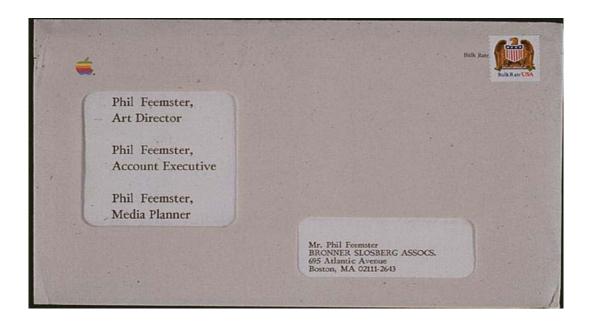
We're inclined to touch things





Our eyes gravitate to certain words





"No" - really can mean "tell me more"



The top 5 myths of notebooks. Debunked by Dell. 1. "Mobility won't boost productivity." 2. "Notebooks are too expensive." 3. "Notebook performance is subpar." 4. "Notebooks are unreliable." 5. "Notebooks make people cry."

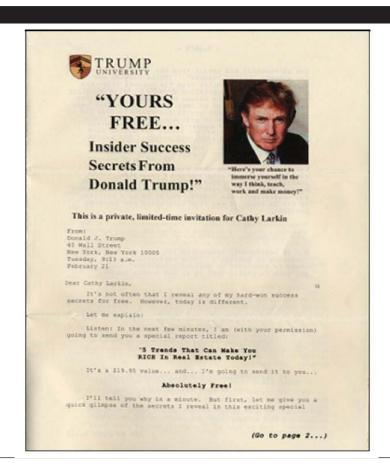




Some responses are automatic







People are most interested in themselves



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Avoidance of pain





People feel obligated





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