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BRAND TEMPLATING: THE SECRET TO CREATING MORE EFFECTIVE CONTENT THAT GETS RESULTS

- How the buying process has changed for customers
- The key elements of truly effective content that gets results
- The 10 most common template mistakes brands make and how to fix them

THE 10 MOST COMMON TEMPLATING MISTAKES BRANDS MAKE:

- 1. Not creating templates in the first place because...
- 2. Only creating templates for a single channel or use case
- Creating generic templates that people don't really need and won't use
- 4. Only sharing templates and not assets
- 5. Thinking MSWord and Powerpoint templates are the only option
- 6. Not locking down important elements of your templates
- 7. Assuming people will find and use your templates on their own
- 8. Not redirecting new marketing requests back to the templates
- Only creating "dumb templates" that don't use automation
- 10. Assuming your work is done after creating your templates

FIXES FOR THE 10 MOST COMMON TEMPLATING MISTAKES BRANDS MAKE

- Make brand templating a strategic priority from the top down
- 2. Make it an organization-wide initiative
- 3. Do research to identify which templates to create
- 4. Make both templates AND assets available
- 5. Find a platform that specializes in brand templating
- 6. Lock down important elements to ensure brand consistency
- 7. Internal marketing for your template program
- 8. Educate, educate, educate
- 9. Create "smart templates" that auto populate information and images
- 10. Always be improving your template program

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