# Taking The Stress Out of Building & Delivering an Effective Pitch

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#### **Building a More Effective Pitch**

#### Foundational Concept =

The Only reason that a Business exists is that the Market has a Problem.





#### **Building A More Effective Pitch**

#### **Objective of the Pitch =**

# Communicate to the Market how we are going to uniquely solve their problem with them.





#### **Building A More Effective Pitch**

#### <u>Components In An Effective Pitch =</u>

#### 1. Defining The Problem as We Understand it.

- Why are they looking to hire us?
- What is the "Real" problem they want to be solved?





#### **Building A More Effective Pitch**

## <u>Components In An Effective Pitch =</u>

#### 2. Describe How Our Solution is Unique

- Special features of our approach or our process
- Equipment or facilities that may be different from your competition





#### Building A More Effective Pitch <u>Components In An Effective Pitch =</u> 3. Describe Why We're Qualified to Succeed

- Previous success solving similar problems
- Qualifications of our Team and their other successes





#### **Building A More Effective Pitch** <u>Components In An Effective Pitch =</u> The 3 Components to an Effective Pitch

- Defining the problem as we understand it
- Describing how our solution is unique
- Describe why we're qualified to succeed





#### **Start with the baseline:**

- •75% of people don't like speaking in public
- Polls consistently show people fear public speaking more than death





#### **Top Reasons People Don't Like Public Speaking**

- May feel Vulnerable to present by yourself
- May feel Exposed if you don't have the answers
- May feel Rejected if you're not successful





#### Shift Focus from "Selling" to "Problem Solving"

- Put yourself in their shoes.
  - What consequences to they face if they don't get this problem solved?
- Try to anticipate concerns that they may have with your solution so you can be better prepared to respond





#### Shift Focus from "Selling" to "Solving Problems"

 Your mindset should be focused on "Solving Their Problem" rather than "Winning the Funding/Contract"





#### **Things to Remember When Delivering a Pitch**

- Fear of Death < Fear of Public Speaking
- Reasons public speaking is feared
  Vulnerable / Exposed / Rejected
- Shift your mindset from Selling to Problem Solving





#### **Thanks for your Time and Attendance**

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