Understanding Your Business at a Glance

OBJECTIVES: In the first half of this worksheet, we'll outline your business model using the "4 P's of Marketing" framework by E. Jerome McCarthy in his 1960 book, "Basic Marketing: A Managerial Approach." In the second half, we'll identify your ideal client segments, industry information, relevant search terms, and existing content options.

DEFINITIONS:

- Product: What your company sells. The product is what you make available to the consumer. Needs to fulfill an existing consumer demand.
- Price: How much do you charge clients for the previously determined service? Price should be related to the product's real and perceived value and your operational costs.
- Promotion: How your services will be marketed and advertised. This is the content marketing, social media, SEO, and unique value-based messaging we're developing as part of our project.
- **Place:** Where you will sell your service and how services are rendered to the client.

- **Segment:** A portion of your market grouped by similar characteristics like region, lifecycle, or preferred communication preferences.
- **Primary Industry:** A group of businesses that offer similar products or services. I.e., "healthcare, automotive, advertising, entertainment, etc."
- Research/Search Method: How people within these industries find information or seek answers.
- **Job Titles:** The most common names or designations of decision makers.
- **Pain Points:** The specific issues your ideal clients encounter within their business day-to-day.
- **Search Terms:** The word, phrase, or question commonly typed into Google, Gemini, ChatGPT, etc.



Your Business Model: How It All Works

| Service Type (Product) | Description | Rate / Fees (Price) | Marketing Channels (Promotion) | Service Location (Place) |
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| I.e. a half-day seminar, workshop, lesson plan, narration video | Half-day seminar for voice actor coaching (max 10 students) | \$150/hr | E-newsletter ads in subscription, website, blog posts, and LinkedIn articles. | In-person at a reserved hotel conference hall |
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Your Prospective Client Overview

| Segment | Primary Industry | Research / Search Methods | Job Titles | Pain Points | Search Terms |
|---|------------------|---|--|--|---|
| I.e. HR Department Heads in Healthcare | Healthcare | SHRM, HR Executive, Human Resources Today, Training Magazine | Director of Human Resources, Onboarding Program Manager | Constant changes in regulatory requirements, slow turnaround in training materials | How to gamify onboarding, effective onboarding programs, employee onboarding engagement |
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