Please feel welcome to submit your questions throughout.

# COLD CALLING

The Next Generation of Outbound in 2021



### **Panel**



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### Agenda



+ the best tools for cold calling 🇶



### "Isn't cold calling dead?"

Studies have shown that only 2.5% of cold calls are effective.

### Why cold calling still works:

- Quick, upfront interactions
- Flexible product knowledge
- Personality



The flipside

71%

of company owners would rather hear from reps via phone, than by email, faxes, drop-in visits, and other media

# Finding your prospect 🧟

### Who are they?

- > Job title
- > Target industries
- > Have they recently moved?
- > Is their company hiring?

#### **Extra Credit**

It's always a good idea to extra research - for example, have they posted on LinkedIn?

However: Max 30s on this.



### Target accounts

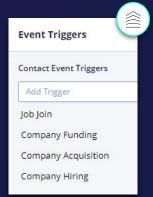
Your step-by-step guide to finding better accounts:

- 1. ICP. Look at your best customers, find more like them.
- 2. Triggers. Get tailored alerts for the perfect time to reach out.
- 3. LinkedIn Sales Navigator. A tool for every salesperson.

#### Top tip:

Focus on one persona at a time - align your outreach with any common traits, ambitions or needs.





### Step 1: Confidence

Hey. You. Start calling.

#### How to \*feel\* like a Pro Cold Caller:

- Don't overthink booking a meeting. Have a chat.
- Build an environment that works for you.
- Trust in your own natural progression.



Meme provided by Oli Scampton - Cognism SDR



### Qualify and adapt

What's the purpose of your call?
70% Discovery, 30% Selling

- 1. Let the prospect talk
- 2. Dig out specific pain points
- 3. Can you actually help the prospect?



### The Script, in 7 steps

The intro The opening pitch The discovery The second pitch The value The case study The close (?)



### Get in the flow

### Introducing: The 30s Push 🧶

- Respect. Ask for a moment of their time, before getting started.
- Mirror. Let them determine the tone of the conversation.
- Relate. Lead with a problem that's relevant to them.

#### Top tip:

Try to frame your pitch as a direct solution to a specific problem. For example: "You spend five hours a week prospecting? Save that time."





#### How to build rapport: Jenny

- 1. Don't be robotic! Be genuine.
- 2. Use the prospect's name to foster trust.
- 3. Actively listen to what they're saying.



#### Don't forget: Charlotte

- Enjoy it. You're going to make mistakes, and that's OK.
- Take a breath. Don't let knockbacks put you (or your colleagues) down.



### **Objections**

You can't prepare for everything. Stay on your feet, and don't get bogged down in the theory.

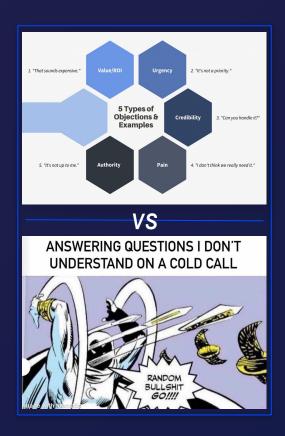
### Top tip:

Stay positive! Not only on that call, but also on the next.

#### Where can I start?

#### The 3F framework

- Feel
  - Felt
    - Found



### 2 example objections

#### **Jenny Gray**

"Send me an email and I'll get back to you."

#### **Charlotte Johnson**

"I'm jumping into a meeting - can you call me next week?"



### The best in sales tech











## Any questions?

This webinar has been recorded.

A copy of the recording will be shared with you tomorrow via email, in addition to the presentation slides.

For more resources on cold calling, please visit: <a href="https://cognism.com/blog">https://cognism.com/blog</a>







