Basics of Search Engine Optimization & Content Creation in CRM

Lecture Title: Creating Digitally Effective Websites



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A digitally effective website is one that successfully achieves its intended purpose and goals through the strategic integration of design, technology, and content.

It is designed to provide an optimal user experience, achieve high search engine rankings, and meet the specific needs of its target audience.



Key Characteristics:

User-Centred Design: The website is crafted with a deep understanding of its users' needs, preferences, and behaviours, ensuring ease of navigation, accessibility, and a satisfying user experience.



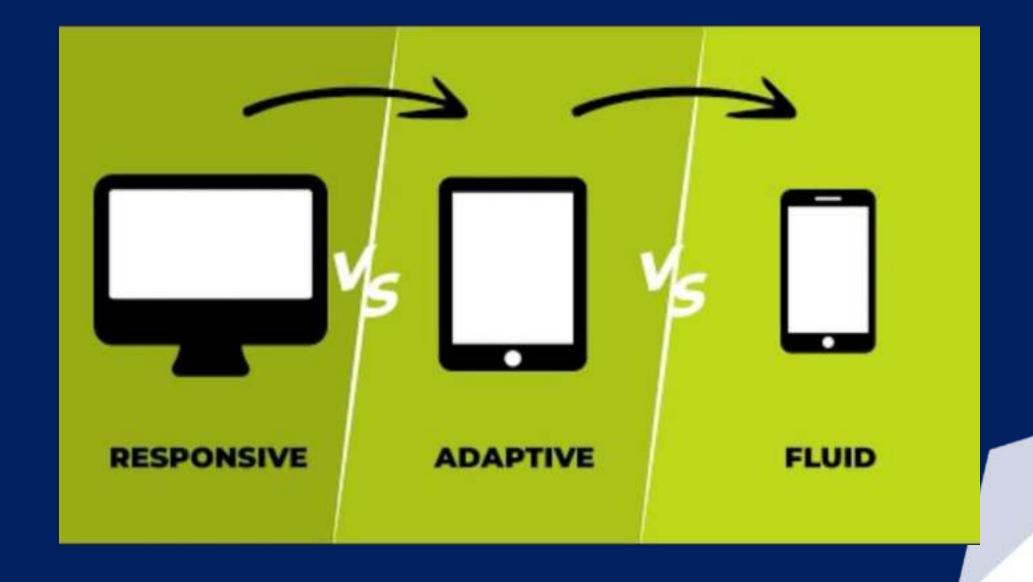




Key Characteristics:

Responsive Design: It displays and functions seamlessly across various devices and screen sizes, from desktops to smartphones, ensuring accessibility and usability for all users.





Key Characteristics:

Fast Loading Times: The website loads quickly on all devices, minimising wait times for users and positively affecting search engine rankings.







Key Characteristics:

High-Quality, Relevant Content: Provides valuable, accurate, and engaging content that meets the needs and interests of its audience while also being optimised for search engines.



Class Exercise: 30 min

- Find a website with high-quality and relevant content.
- Identify the key characteristics that make the website a high-quality content one.
- Suggest other steps you would add.



Key Characteristics:

Search Engine Optimization (SEO): Incorporates SEO best practices to improve visibility and rankings in search engine results pages (SERPs), driving organic traffic to the site.







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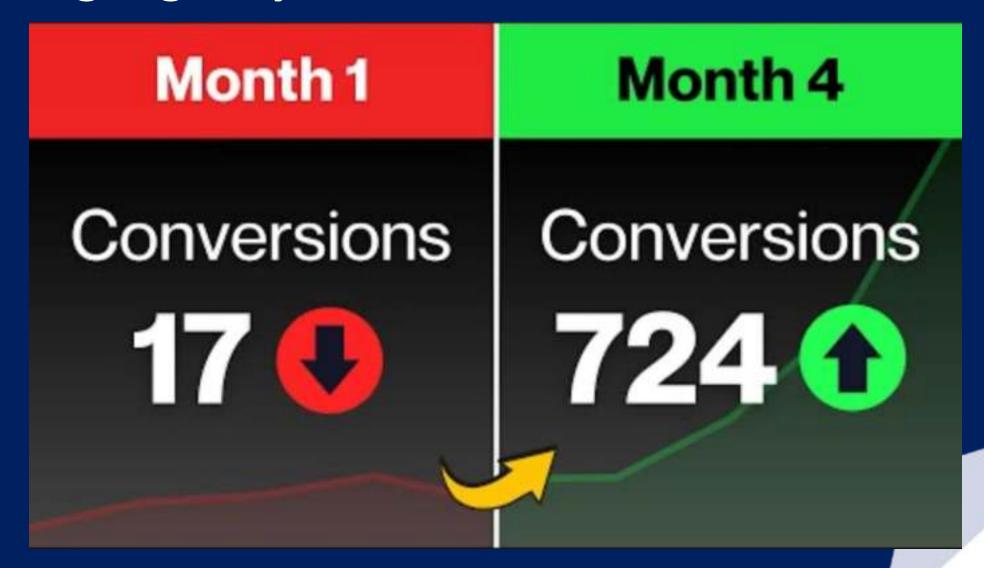
Security: Implements robust security measures, including HTTPS and SSL certificates, to protect the website and its users from cyber threats and to build trust.



Key Characteristics:

Clear Call to Action (CTA): Features well-placed and clear calls to action that guide users towards desired actions, such as making a purchase, signing up for a newsletter, or contacting the business.





Key Characteristics:

Measurable Goals: Has clearly defined objectives and incorporates analytics tools to measure performance, user engagement, and the achievement of specific goals.



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- Make a list of measurable goals for an effective website.
- List your Key Performance Targets (KPT) to be able to set out your goals.
- E.g. Expand Email Subscription List:
 - Goal: Grow the email subscription list by B% over the next quarter.
 - Metrics: Number of new subscribers, subscription rate.



1. Increase Traffic:

- Goal: Achieve a X% increase in overall website traffic within the next 6 months.
- Metrics: Number of visitors, page views.

2. Improve Engagement:

- Goal: Reduce the bounce rate by Y% and increase the average session duration by Z minutes within the next quarter.
 - Metrics: Bounce rate, session duration, pages per session.

3. Enhance SEO Performance:

- Goal: Achieve first-page ranking for [key targeted keywords] on Google within the next 12 months.
- Metrics: Search engine rankings, organic traffic.

4. Boost Conversion Rates:

- Goal: Increase the conversion rate (e.g., sign-ups, purchases, contact form submissions) by A% in the next 6 months.
 - Metrics: Conversion rate, number of conversions.

- 5. Expand Email Subscription List:
 - Goal: Grow the email subscription list by B% over the next quarter.
 - Metrics: Number of new subscribers, subscription rate.

- 6. Enhance User Experience (UX):
- Goal: Improve website load time to under C seconds and achieve a user satisfaction score of D% in user surveys within the next year.
 - Metrics: Page load time, user satisfaction surveys, usability test results.

- 7. Increase Social Media Engagement:
- Goal: Achieve a E% increase in shares, likes, and comments from website content on social media platforms within the next 6 months.
 - Metrics: Social shares, likes, comments.

8. Grow Revenue:

- Goal: Increase online sales or revenue by F% within the next fiscal year.
- Metrics: Revenue, average order value, sales conversion rate.



9. Improve Content Effectiveness:

- Goal: Increase content engagement (e.g., time spent on blog posts) by G% and content shares by H% in the next 6 months.
 - Metrics: Time on page, social shares, comments.

10. Enhance Mobile Experience:

- Goal: Improve the mobile conversion rate by I% and reduce mobile bounce rate by J% in the next quarter.
 - Metrics: Mobile conversion rate, mobile bounce rate.

11. Increase Customer Satisfaction:

- Goal: Achieve a customer satisfaction rate of K% as measured by online surveys and feedback forms within the next year.
 - Metrics: Customer satisfaction scores, feedback form results.

12. Reduce Cart Abandonment Rate:

- Goal: Decrease the shopping cart abandonment rate by L% within the next 6 months.
- Metrics: Cart abandonment rate, checkout completion rate.



Aesthetic Appeal and Brand Consistency

The aesthetic appeal and brand consistency of a website are crucial elements that significantly influence user experience, perception, and engagement.

These factors play a vital role not only in attracting visitors but also in retaining them and converting visits into actions (such as purchases, sign-ups, or engagement with content).





Secure Payment Gateways:

Secure Payment Gateways are services that authorise and process credit cards, debit cards, and other forms of electronic payments online.

They encrypt sensitive information, such as credit card numbers, to ensure that data is transmitted securely from the customer to the acquiring bank via the merchant.

Secure Payment Gateways:

- Security: They provide strong encryption and security protocols to protect against fraud and data breaches.
- Trust: By using reputable payment gateways, businesses can increase their customers' trust in their online transactions.
- Convenience: They offer a seamless checkout experience for customers, supporting various payment methods.

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