## Defining & Communicating Your Personal Brand

To Help Your Career & Organization Grow



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### What Is A Brand?

### Branding = Creating Emotional Connections

A brand is the set of expectations, memories, stories and relationships that, taken together, account for a consumer's decision to choose one product or service over another.

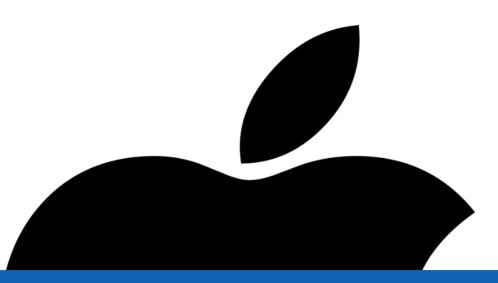
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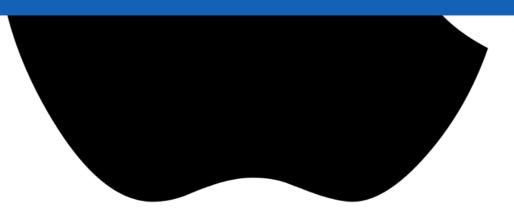
### Consumer Brands







To bring the best user experience to customers through innovative hardware, software, and services.







Provide the highest quality coffee, exceptional customer service, and a truly uplifting Starbucks Experience in the same way around the world.







### Happiness.



# What Is A Personal Brand?

Your Personal Brand is the perception that people have of you, as compared to other people in similar positions.





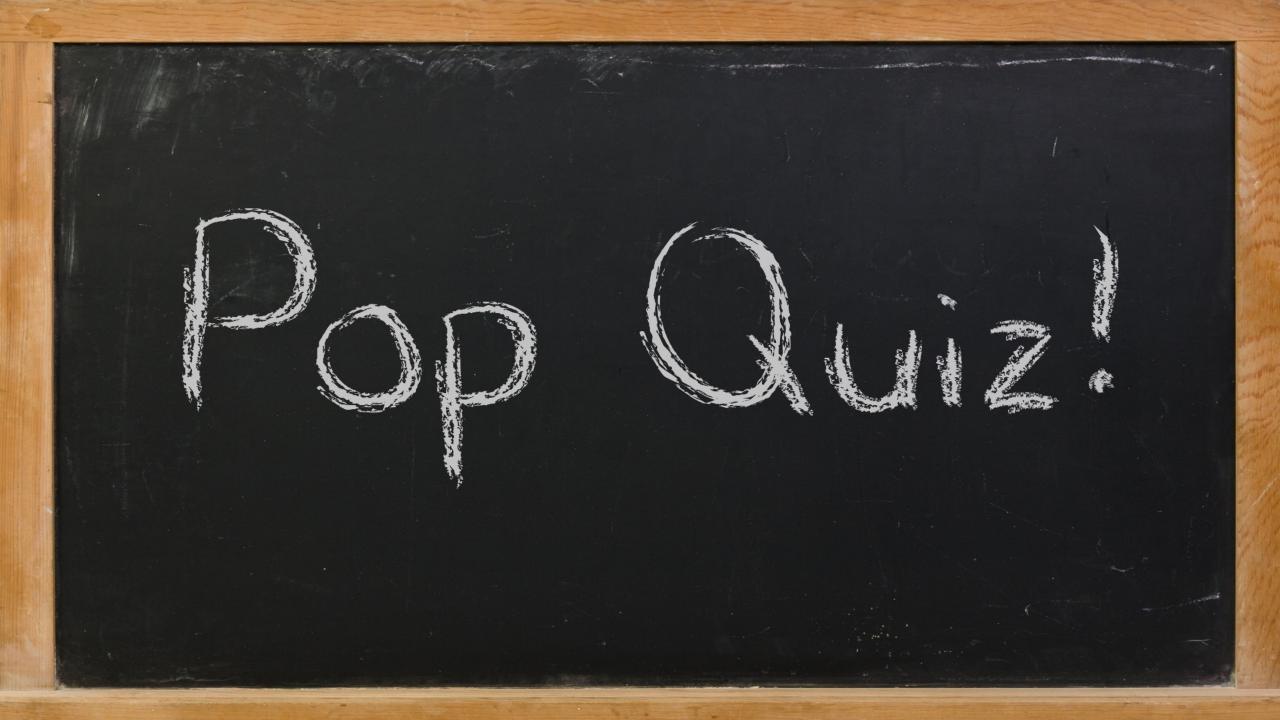


"Live your best life" - self-improvement, doing good and controlling your own destiny





the practical, the contemporary, and the beautiful.



## Personal Branding is about your image.



(How you look and present yourself.)



I don't need to worry about my Personal Brand unless I'm looking for a job.



### You currently have a Personal Brand.





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### Why Is A Personal Brand Important?

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#### Differentiation

To separate yourself from others in similar positions, it's important to know what makes you different, as opposed to what makes you better.



### Different is BETTER than Better.

Sally Hogshead

Author of "FASCINATE: How to Make Your Brand Impossible to Resist"

#### **Build Influence**

Who would you rather have working on your team?

Someone who is known as a leader in their profession, who mentors other professionals, and has developed a reputation as a thought-leader or influencer; or someone who works mainly behind the scenes and implements other's ideas?

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### Career Growth & Advancement



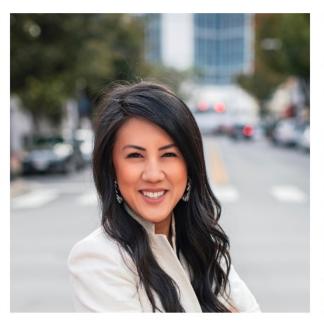
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### **Employability**



Your Personal Brand serves as your best protection against business factors you can't control.

Dan Schawbel Author + Managing Partner at Workplace Intelligence

#### **Attract & Retain Talent**

New job candidates want to know who they're going to be working for and aligning themselves with. The Founders. Senior executives. Managers. Anyone with authority.

That means you need great leadership that exhibits integrity and upholds the values of the company on and off the battlefield. They'll be doing their research, so make sure that the figureheads have their house in order.

- Brent Gleeson, Forbes

# Defining Your Personal Brand

#### **New Rules**

Forget Your Job Title.

ASK: What do I do that adds remarkable, measurable, distinguished, distinctive value?

Forget Your Job Description.

ASK: What do I do that I am most proud of?

- Tom Peters, Fast Company

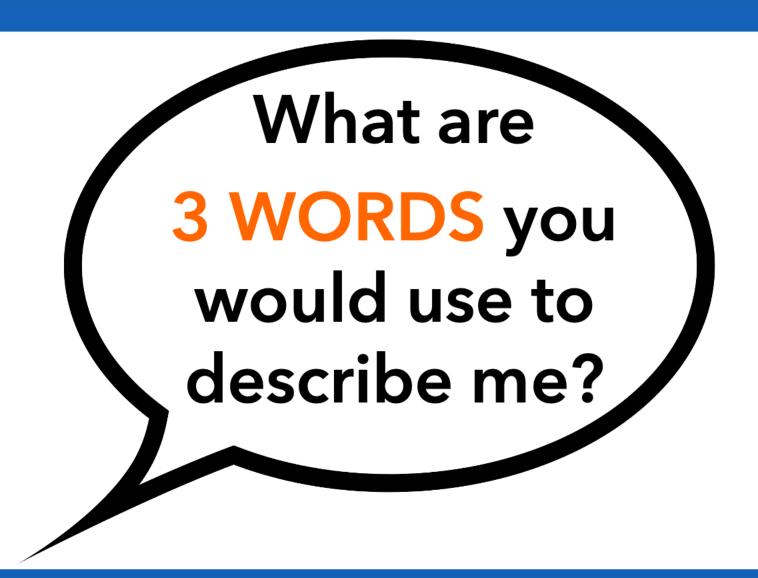
### **Start With The Facts**



#### Ask Yourself:

- What are you known as the go-to person for?
- What things are you most passionate about at work?
- What words do people use when they introduce you?
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- What differentiates you from others who do the same work?
- What combination of things do you offer that no one else does?
- What is one thing that everyone says you rock at?

### **Ask Others:**



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# Create Your Personal Brand Statement

## Your Goal:

Convey your unique promise of value in a way that gets others to want to know more about you.

## The Secret Sauce

**B** old: Supports a larger goal others will care about

R elevant: In line with what you do or aspire to do

A uthentic: Synonymous with how others describe you

Notable: Memorable and easy to understand

ifferentiated: Separates you from others who are similarly situated

## **Avoid Generalities & Buzzwords**

1. Specialized

6. Expert

2. Experienced

7. Motivated

3. Leadership

8. Creative

4. Skilled

9. Strategic

5. Passionate

10. Successful

Dedicated and experienced team member with values and strong organizational skills. Seeking a full-time career.

I'm a turnaround management expert in the Federal Sector.

I take on challenges no one in their right mind would touch and transform losers into profitable organizations.

People always say, "If it's broke, give it to Tim."

I'm the person that you call when you have more month at the end of your money.

## Your Personal Brand Statement

I am (Professional Identity),

who helps (My Audience)

do or understand (<u>Unique Solution</u>),

so that (*Transformation/Benefit*).



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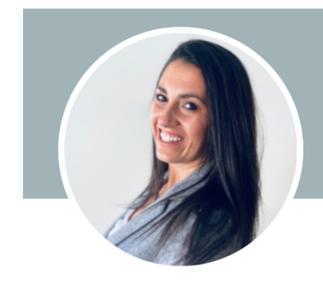
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# Develop Your Personal Brand

## Always Be Evolving...

Personal Branding is not a one-time event.

Your Personal Brand is ever evolving.

As you gain experience and grow, your skills and interests evolve with you.

# Communicate Your Personal Brand

## Your Online Reputation



Information found on-line is used by others to assess your credibility, knowledge & experience.

## Online Profiles

Photo: Friendly & aligns with your role.

Your virtual handshake.

Headline: Make it count.

The first (and possibly only) description people see.

Summary & Experience: Tell your story!

Don't copy and paste your resume.

## **Share Your Expertise**

Write / Speak

**Curate / Share** 

**Volunteer / Lead** 

Mentor / Coach

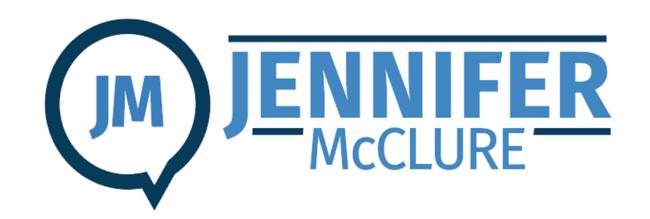
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What's the most powerful word in Personal Branding?





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