## Golden Rules How to Create Thoughtful Thought Leadership

**Don't Sell** If your ideas are valuable and meaningful, buyers will come to you.

Always Give It Away

Offer a Unique Perspective Write and talk about what you know better thany anyone else in the market.

Focus on One Thing at a Time Don't overwhelm you readers with too many ideas.

Address a Specific Audience A thought leadership strategy may focus on multiple audiences. A piece of content should be written for only one .



**Get Involved** Don't just write about ideas, prove your passion through participation.



Admit What You Don't Know Being humble in the face of the unknown is a good character trait



Make Your Audience Feel Smarter Present you content so people can learn it and retransmit it in their own way.

## Market Thought Leadership Like a Product Thought leadership needs its own promotions and PR.



Hire Thought Leaders

Be brave enough to hire smart people who can chew away at the status quo.





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