Biz-Café: Examples of Marketing Expenses as Investments and Enabling Expenses

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There are Two Basic Growth Strategies

- Penetration Strategy: Working with the current offering to reach potential customers in the current market segment
- Market Growth Strategy: Working with the current offering to reach potential customers in NEW market segments

There are Three Types of Marketing Expenses

- Involved in making a business grow through market penetration and market growth strategies
- 1) Business Expansion Expenses to clone the business in new markets
- 2) Expenses necessary to Enable the firm to grow in a growing market(s) but do not impact the nature of the current offering
- 3) Investment Expenses that have a direct impact on the amount of value the customer sees in the offering

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In Biz-Cafe

- There is NO opportunity for expansion into new markets with the current offering
- · Marketing Expenses would have to be
- 1) Expenses Enabling Growth but have no direct impact on customer value
- 2) Expenses Invested into Increasing the amount of customer value in the seller's offering

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Would these Marketing Expenses in the Biz-Café

- Be considered Enabling or Investment Expenses?
- 1) Number of servers (Wage expense)?
- · Investment in the offering
- 2) Store Managers (Wage expense)?
- · Enabling expense
- 3) Number of store hours (cost of longer hours)?
- · Investment in the offering

Enabling or Investment?

- 4) Cost of insurance?
- Enabling
- 5) Cost of Market Research on Awareness?
- Enabling
- 6) Coffee Quality?
- · Investment in Offering
- 7) Training the Servers?
- · Investment in the offering

Enabling or Investment?

- 8) Cost of the Espresso machine?
- Enabling
- 9) Advertising Expense to Create Awareness?
- Enabling
- 10) 2-for-1 Coupons?
- Enabling
- 11) amount of coffee in inventory?
- Enabling Expense

When you can change

- The amount of a marketing expenditure and it makes no change on the customer's perception of the amount of value in a seller's offering, then the expenditure is not a marketing investment.
- When an expense makes a change in the customer's estimate of the value in the offering, it is a marketing investment

Any Questions?

- · 4 classic types of growth strategies
- 2 types of growth using the current offering
- 3 types of marketing expenses involved in growing with the current offering