

Customer Interviews

Category

Product Management

Purpose

Use Customer Interviews to generate deep insights from your customers to guide product development, improve sales effectiveness and positioning and validate company strategy..

Description

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Framework name:	Customer Interviews
Participants:	Product Owners, Product Managers, Product Marketers and Customers
Framework goal:	To test business ideas, identify customer problems and determine your product roadmap and features.
Framework guidelines:	 Use personas to create guidelines on which customers to invite and when.
	 Prepare an initial list of about 20 questions.
	 Schedule interviews and send a final reminder email the day of the interview.
	 Allow customers to elaborate on their answers and follow up to explore new opportunities.
	Communicate what you learn from interviews.
Boundaries provided:	 Limit to one hour per interview with concessions made for preparing before the call, follow-up questions and reviewing your notes immediately after the interview.
	 Ask open-ended questions as much as possible
Resources used:	 Scheduling application and email In-person or virtual interviews by phone or videoconferencing with recordings and/or notes.
Actionable outcome(s):	Identification of customer needs or pain points