

Copy Review Checklist

Market awareness

- o Does this speak to an UNAWARE audience?
- o Does this speak to a PROBLEM-AWARE audience?
- o Does this speak to a SOLUTION-AWARE audience?
- o Does this speak to a YOU-AWARE audience?
- o Does this speak to a DEAL-READY audience?
- o Is it aimed at the right segment of the audience for the traffic that will see it (HOT, WARM, COLD)?

Headline/deck

- o If I'm in the target AUDIENCE, is it clear this is for me?
- o Is there a clear BENEFIT to engaging with this message?
- o Is my CURIOSITY provoked such that I need to read more?

Hook

- o Am I hooked within the first 15 seconds?
- o Does this force me to set aside everything else and engage with it?
- o Do I really feel like this is about me? For me? Gives me benefit?

Value-first

o Do I believe I'll get value simply from consuming the sales message?

Big Idea Type

- o Does it solve an URGENT PROBLEM? If so, what is that problem?
- Does it present a 10X OPPORTUNITY? If so, what is that opportunity?
- Does it make an IMMINENT PREDICTION? If so, what is that prediction and the PROBLEM/OPPORTUNITY it will create?

UPSEEN Test

- o Does this message feel UNIQUE from everything I've seen before?
- o Is the idea PROVEN quickly in a way that feels believable?
- o Is it SIMPLE to understand how this will benefit me?
- o Is it EMOTIONAL and compelling on a human level?
- o Is the message ENGAGING intellectually, to the point where I'd want to talk about it with friends?
- Does this feel like a NEW discovery?

Power of One

- o Is the ONE GOOD IDEA behind the entire message?
- o Is there ONE CORE EMOTION that hooks me in?
- o Is there ONE CAPTIVATING STORY that shows the transformation possible?
- o Is there ONE SINGLE, DESIRABLE BENEFIT to compel response?
- Is there ONE INEVITABLE RESPONSE that's clear and easy?

PAISA

- Is the PROBLEM or unfulfilled need/opportunity clear?
- Is the AGITATION of the current and future unsolved problem shared in an emotional way?
- o Are other solutions shown as INVALID in a way that demands a new solution that can only be my offer?
- o Is a general SOLUTION proposed that establishes buying criteria matching mine?
- o Is my solution presented with an ASK that demands ACTION?

Six Human Needs

- o How can this fulfill my need for CERTAINTY of avoiding pain and gaining pleasure?
- o How can this fulfill my need for UNCERTAINTY/VARIETY, unknown, positive change, and novel stimuli?
- o How can this fulfill my need for SIGNIFICANCE and feeling unique, important, special or needed?
- How can this fulfill my need for CONNECTION/LOVE, feeling close or in union with someone or something?
- How can this fulfill my need for GROWTH, expansion of capacity, capability or understanding?
- How can this fulfill my need for CONTRIBUTION, the sense of service and focus on helping, giving to and supporting others?

Mechanisms

- What problem-mechanism am I introduced to that gives me a new understanding of my persistent problem?
- o What's the 1% tiny difference that I didn't know before, that will make success easy?
- o Is there a clear solution-mechanism that addresses the problem-mechanism and makes success likely?

Not my fault

- o He/she feels the pain, they are at fault, and you get the benefit?
- o Have you helped me feel justified, as the reader, that this is not my fault?
- o Have you given me the power to take control over the situation and turn my victimhood into success?

Proof/Credibility/Believability

- o Does the voice of the promotion have significant credibility on this topic?
- o Are the fundamental claims believable?
- o Is the voice one of credibility and authority?
- o Is the voice confident in its message and the offer being made?
- o Are the promises big but believable?
- o How does it handle skepticism and objections?
- Does it align with the market's preexisting beliefs, such that they don't have to change their beliefs and identity to respond?
- o Are testimonials and customer stories used to support the copy?

Visuals

- Does the format match the style and voice of the copy?
- o Is the visual presentation clear?
- o Does the formatting support readability and emphasize important points?
- Are graphical elements being used to support the copy?
- o Does the copy or message suggest any bigger considerations around visual presentation?

Connection/backstory/personal reason why

- o Do I feel a personal, human connection with the voice of the promotion?
- o Do I believe the voice of the promotion is aligned with my best interests?
- o Do I believe they feel and empathize with my pain?
- o What do I know about their backstory that makes this about more than just making money off of me?

Filters

- o How often did I think SO WHAT?! when going through the copy?
- o How often did I think BULLSHIT! when going through the copy?
- o Were there many negative thought packets?

Readability

- o Is the language simple enough? What's the FK score?
- Does it feel like it's talking to ME? Or speaking to a general audience? Or the voice is talking to themselves?
- o Does it feel quick and easy to read?
- o How is the pace? Is it entertaining and stimulating?
- o Does it flow logically? Does it make sense? Does each point build on the last?
- o Does it consistently deliver new information, stimulate my curiosity, and keep me engaged?

• Ease of results

- o How easy does success feel?
- o Does the process to reach my desired outcome feel clear and achievable?

Future Pacing

o Is there a compelling picture of how my life will have changed AFTER I buy and use this product/service?

Personal fit

- o Can *I* do it? Is it possible and attainable for me?
- o Does this give me a benefit I actually want?
- o Will this take me from MY hell? Will this take me to MY heaven?
- o How do I know this is a fit for me?
- o Why is now the right time for ME?

USP

• Why should I, the perfect prospect, choose to respond to this offer, over every option available to me in the market, including creating my own solution, going with a competitor, or doing nothing at all?

Product presentation

- o Are the benefits of the product clear?
- o Are the features of the product clear?
- o Is the dimensionalized benefit of the product clear?
- o Is the ROI of the product clear?
- o Does the product feel easy to use to get the desired outcome?

Offer

- o Is the value presented in a way that feels overwhelmingly tilted in my favor as the buyer?
- Are there relevant bonuses that add to the product?
- Does the price feel dramatically lower than the value?
- o Do my payment options feel fair and accessible?
- o Are there offer tiers that encourage the best customers to buy more?

Guarantee

- o What are the terms of the guarantee? Time? Satisfaction? Performance?
- o Is the guarantee dramatized in the most compelling way?
- o Does it feel like I'm trying it today, instead of making a commitment?
- o Is the risk of the transaction removed from me, the buyer, and taken on 100% or more by you, the seller?

Response

- o Is it clear how to respond?
- o Is there a time-based reason to act now?
- o Is there a quantity-based reason to act now?
- o Is there a personal reason presented for why it's urgent?
- Do any urgency enhancers feel believable and not gimmicky?
- o Are the CTA buttons clear and consistent with the message?
- o Do I feel comfortable giving you my money/payment info?
- o Is the order form clear and easy to use?
- o Is the order form built to maximize cart value? Does it include logical upsells, reasons to buy more?

Funnel

- o Are there other offers in the funnel?
- o What upsells are there? Do they make sense?
- o What downsells are there? Do they make sense?
- o What happens to buyers?
- o What happens to non-buyers?