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80% of what marketers do every day will be intelligently automated to some degree in the next 3 - 5 years.





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- How to find and evaluate AI technology vendors.
- How to classify AI applications within the five levels of the Marketer-to-Machine Scale<sup>TM</sup>.
- What business outcomes AI can help you achieve.
- · How to measure the value of AI tools on your company's efficiency and performance.
- How to prepare your team for piloting and scaling AI.



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OOH includes transit media, street media, and airport media. Think about reaching your customers in shopping malls, grocery stores, healthcare centers, gas stations, bars, and retail locations.

Artificial intelligence can help you reach your customers and ideal audience where they're spending their time...and target them as you've never been able to before. Join Tim Rowe, Chief Strategist at OneScreen ai, as he shows the near-limitless potential of OOH campaigns using AI.

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## Today's context: multiple pressures

**Global Supply** 

48% of CFOs believe

supply chain volatility

and shortages will last

Supply chain issues are

nearly 3x more likely to

today than an increase

lead to customer disloyalty

Constraints

beyond 2022.

in price.

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#### A Unique Triple Squeeze of Compounding Pressures as Recession Threatens



**69%** of CFOs still believe nonlabor input costs will rise significantly.

**Expensive Talent 47%** of CFOs report it's difficult to find and hire enterprise talent. Of candidates who accepted a job offer in 2021. **49%** had at least

three offers to consider.

Margins

Source: 2022 Gartner CEO and Senior Business Executive Survey, Gartner webinar poll: CFOs 2022 Playbook for Enhancing Profitability and Driving Digital Acceleration, 2021 Gartner Candidate Panel Survey, Gartner Supply Chain's 2021 Customer Expectations Survey © 2022 Gartner, Inc. All rights reserved. CM\_GBS\_1911982



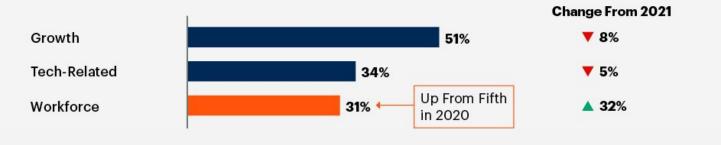
Takeaways:

- Growth and profitability will be hard-won
- Talent will be hard to attract
- Supplies will be scarce and out of sync with demand

## **CEO priority areas**

#### CEOs' Top 10 Strategic Business Priority Areas for 2022-2023

Summary Top Three Mentions, Coded Responses



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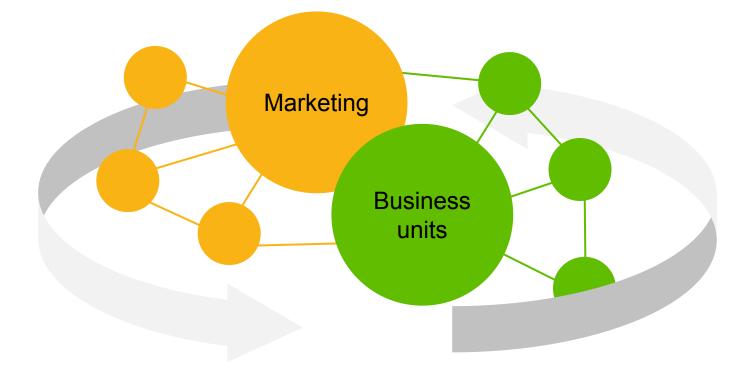
## What's keeping executive leaders up at night?



#### **Talent constraints**

#### **Customer loyalty**

# Boost messaging performance with institutional collaboration



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The only AI content generation and decisioning platform to automate on-brand, personalized language at enterprise scale, across touchpoints, channels, and segments—connecting you to your customer everywhere words matter.

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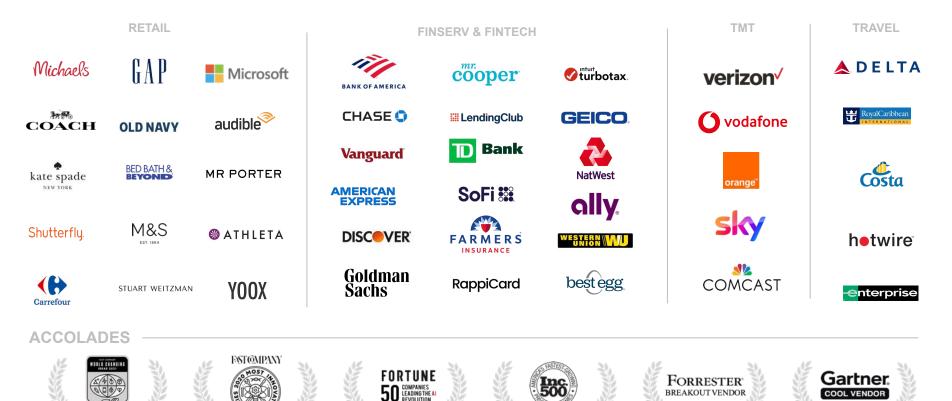
Persado takes something that people thought was art - messaging and content - and provides a scientific, Al-driven platform that generates hyper-personalized communications that motivates our customers to immediately act.

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Noam Paransky Chief Digital Officer

# Persado's top 30 clients have generated \$1.5B of incremental value so far with Motivation AI



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# Persado Motivation AI identities the best combination <sup>[P]</sup> of elements to motivate action

#### **Original Content**

#### Persado's message for Natalie

#### NEW WEB & APP Banking Features

Looking for more ways to manage your money? Use our web tools at home, and access your accounts quickly and easily with our app.

Get Started



#### F50 bank sees \$98M in revenue lift.

## **Priority #1**

### **Revenue growth**

#### **Cost management**

#### **Talent constraints**

#### **Customer loyalty**

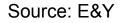
## **Priority #1: Revenue growth**

How important are each of the following sources of growth likely to be for your company over the next five years?

Developing innovative delivery systems and channels for interacting with customers

Increasing sales of existing products and services to existing customer segments

Effective use of data to develop new products and services, which will deliver enhanced employee and customer experience





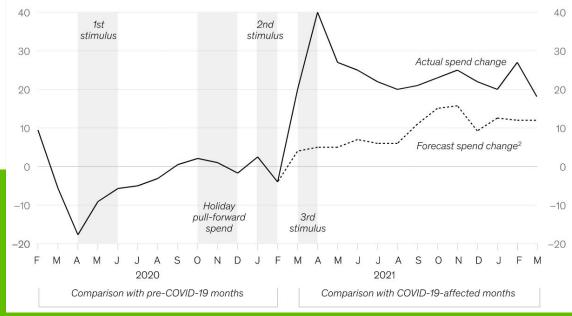
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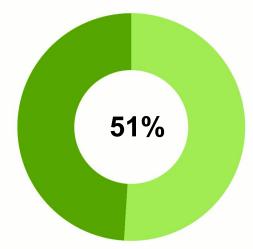
27%

## **Consumer spending is starting to decline**

US consumer spending remained robust through March 2022, although nominal year-on-year growth was less than in late 2021.

US credit card spend,<sup>1</sup> year-over-year % change





of consumers plan to spend less this holiday season.

Source: McKinsey

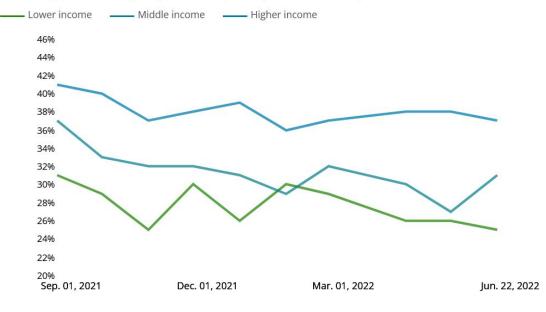
Source: Salesforce

## A tale of two economies

FIGURE 2

#### Discretionary-spending intentions are gradually slipping

Percentage of total monthly budget consumers plan to spend on discretionary items

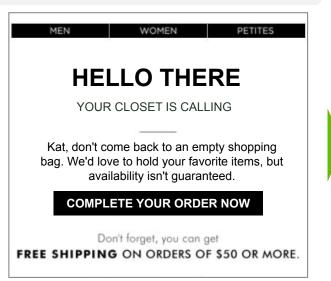


### Fortune 500 fashion retailer drives \$404k increased annual revenue

#### CONTROL

Subject Line:

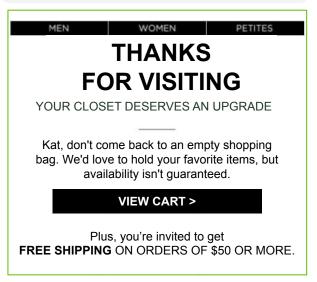
:-) Hi Kat, good news: Regarding your interest in this—you deserve it



#### Subject Line:

\*\*\* Complete your order, Kat: We reserved the item in your cart for you

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OBJECTIVE

Drive increased orders and revenue from one of their most valuable trigger emails



Annual Incremental Revenue

26%

Orders Lift

7

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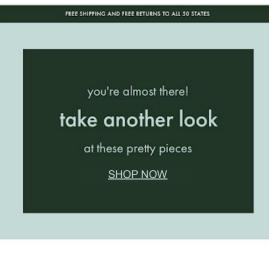
**15%** Engagement Lift

# Luxury fashion retailer drives \$169k increased annual revenue

CONTROL

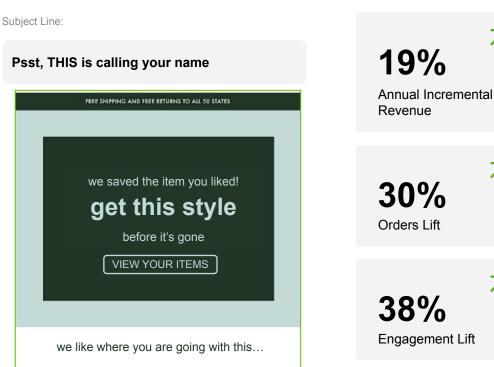
Subject Line:

Psst, remember that thing you were looking at?



like these ...

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CHANNEL

Email

OBJECTIVE

Cart / Order Size

Drive increased orders and revenue from customers who browsed their website

# Motivation Al revenue growth use cases

- Seasonal/special campaigns
- New product launches
- Inventory clearance campaigns
- Retargeting campaigns
- Win-backs

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## Priority #2

#### **Revenue growth**

### **Cost management**

#### **Talent constraints**

#### **Customer loyalty**

## **Cost reductions continue**

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## **Companies Weigh Fresh Cuts as Operating Costs Go Up**

CFOs are looking closely at real estate, consulting and even packaging expenses to cut back on spending

**CFOs don't want to be the loser of** *this recession and pare back spending on things that will be really important [like digital] to quickly accelerate if growth does recover and a recession subsides.* 

Alexander Bant Chief of Finance Research, Gartner

## Marketing budgets can't go much lower

11.0%

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2021

Gartner.

#### **2021 Marketing Budget of % of Total Revenue**

11.3%

11.2%

10.1

Mean Percentage of Budget Shown

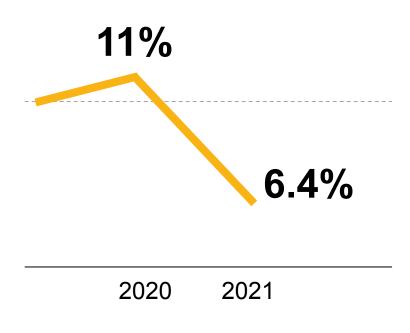
11.4%

10.2%

12.1%

14%

7% 0% 201 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2020 gartner.com n = 400 marketing leaders (2021); 342 (2020); 342 (2019); 618 (2018); 350 (2017); 375 (2016); 424 (2015); 363 (2014), excluding Don't know Q. What percentage of your revenue is allocated to your total marketing expense budget for the current fiscal year? Source: Gartner CMO Spend Survey, 2021 @ 2021 Gartner, Inc. All rights reserved, PR 1387408



### Leveraging your martech stack

Language Decisioning and Design



### **Call reduction & IVR language optimization**

Ex. 1: Digital Adoption

#### PERSADO WINNER

We have good news! We can help you {prompt} as soon as possible by getting a shortcut sent directly to you for the mobile app. We recommend this as your quickest option. To receive a direct link there, say 'send me a text', 'send me an email'. <750 ms> Otherwise, let's continue.

#### **KEY LEARNINGS**

- **Descriptive language** was most impactful, contributing **60%** to performance lift.
- Introducing the prompt with Excitement was also critical in driving engagement.

#### **KEY LEARNINGS**

- Descriptive language contributed 96% to performance lift.
- 'Do you agree that your experience with the phone system has been easy so far?' was the most impactful change.

Customer Results

\$11M

**Call Center Savings** 

750K

Call Reduced

+113K

+ 40K other actions to alleviate call volume

65K Apps Downloads Lift

+ 270K other actions to drive digital engagement



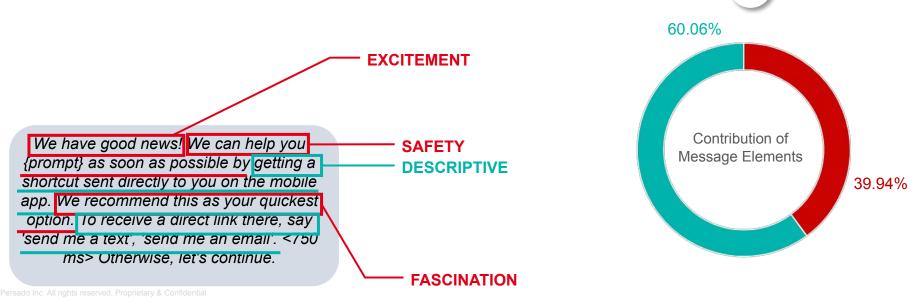


#### Ex 2: Effort Survey

We have one final 'yes' or 'no' question... Thank you in advance for helping us improve your experience. Do you agree that your experience with the phone system has been easy so far'? Press 1 for 'yes', 2 for 'no'.

# Descriptive language guiding the customer to the self-service option was most impactful...

...however, emotional language was also critical.



CONTRIBUTION OF MESSAGE ELEMENTS

Formatting: stylistic or structural elements (e.g. case, symbols, imagery) **Emotional**: words and phrases that have an emotional impact

Descriptive: the different ways of describing the offer or product **Positioning**: the placement of all the different components

**Functional/CTA**: language that directly impels a specific action, response or process

CHANNEL

VARIANT

IVR

Persado Winner

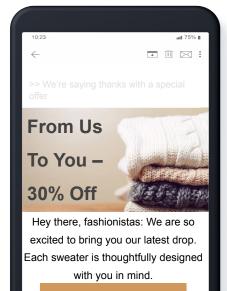
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# With the right language, you can decrease the discount

#### CONTROL

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$\leftarrow$	
For Fall:	101151
Select	
<b>Sweaters</b>	Charlen of Lat
40% Off	NE FE MAN
Items for fall weat	her are now in
stock. Get what y	vou need now
before the wea	ather cools.
Browse	Now

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Find Your New Favorite

44%

Annual Incremental Revenue

**28%** 

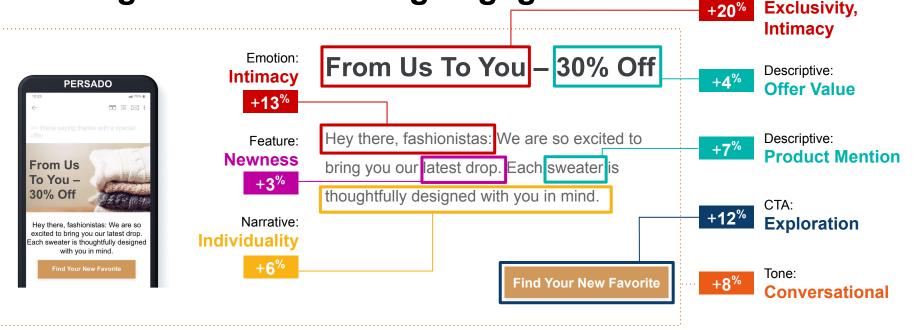
Orders Lift

13% 7

Engagement Lift

7

# Persado's motivation insights show precise message elements driving engagement



Emotional tone was more influential than the offer amount for motivating engagement

Emotion:

# Motivation AI revenue cost management use cases

- Encouraging self service
- Motivating auto-pay, subscription based purchases, paperless documents, automatic deliveries or prescription refills

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## **Priority #3**

#### **Revenue growth**

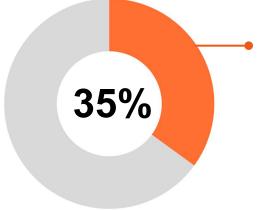
#### **Cost management**

#### **Talent constraints**

#### **Customer loyalty**

## Employee turnover is at record highs

Top 3 reasons employees give for leaving the workforce - each cited by ~35% of respondents



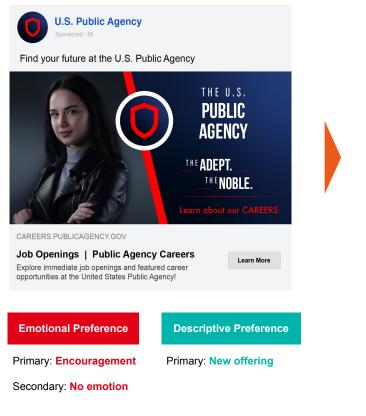
Uncaring leaders

Unsustainable work performance expectations

Lack of career development & advancement potential

## Persado optimization drove more potential applicants to visit the career site

#### CONTROL



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#### **U.S. Public Agency**

Do you have what it takes? Your new career is calling. Explore the possibilities



Learn More

**Descriptive Preference** 

Primary: Variety

Job Openings | Public Agency Careers View featured career openings

#### **Emotional Preference**

Primary: Challenge

Secondary: Curiosity



#### OBJECTIVE

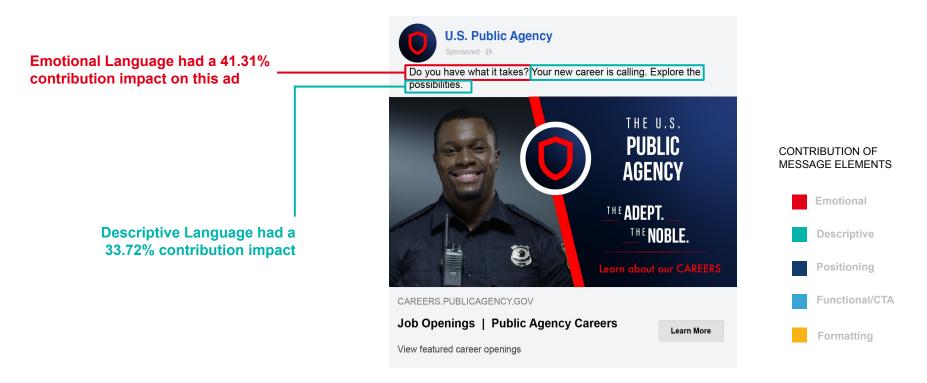
Improve Facebook ad creative to drive more job applicants to visit careers site and apply for open positions.

> $\mathbf{Z}$ 79% Engagement Lift

# Persado delivered a 79% campaign lift and uncovered rich language insights that will drive future campaigns

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Emotional language was the top contributor to performance



## Motivation AI talent management use cases

- Recruitment
- Deadlines for open enrollment or compliance similar to service-based campaigns
- Benefits use, like 401K or HSA matching, free vaccines or wellness visits

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## **Priority #4**

#### **Revenue growth**

#### **Cost management**

#### **Talent constraints**

### **Customer loyalty**

# Loyalty matters...

"Loyalty leaders" grow 250 % faster than industry peers\*

# 5-25x

More expensive to get a new customer than to keep a loyal one

**15-25**<sup>%</sup>

More revenue from customers in top-performing loyalty programs

# ...but it took a hit early in the pandemic...

**35**<sup>%</sup>

Tried a new brand\*

Engaged in new buying behaviors\*

%

#### Example orthodoxies flipped by COVID-19

Fine dining happens in a restaurant, not a takeout box



Business travelers are the core revenue drivers for the hotel business

Highest-priority customers must aboard the plane first



Deals with clients need to be completed in person



Film premieres happen at a movie theater with a red carpet

## ...and different segments present different risks

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Customers are up for grabs and would try — and have tried — new brands

	Generation Z	Millennials	Generation X	Baby Boomers
More likely to try and new brand	<b>39</b> %	<b>35</b> %	<b>31</b> %	<b>19</b> %
Stopped using or buying from a company in the past year	<b>32</b> <sup>%</sup>	<b>27</b> %	<b>27</b> %	<b>23</b> <sup>%</sup>

Q: How likely are you to try a new brand for each of the following business types? Base: 4,036 Q: Think of a company that you stopped using or buying from in the past year. Base: 1,065 Source: PwC Customer Loyalty Survey 2022

## Oh, and then there's



## Loyalty lever – Personalized communications

Consumers report as much as **6.4x higher satisfaction** when

brands deliver personalized communication

through the right channels, at the right moment.\*

Personalizing communications for high-value segments improves loyalty retention for those who are more skeptical (e.g. Millennials).

They're **3.5x** times more likely to spend more.\*

\*<u>The Loyalty Report, 2019</u>, Data from Bond & Visa \*\*<u>Seeing Bevond the Loyalty Ilusion</u>, Accenture, 2017.

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# Different emotions and CTAs engaged different audiences lifting rewards engagement by up to 60%

CONTROL



Use points to enhance your shopping experience

Dana, don't miss out on these opportunities.

REDEEM NOW



Ran experiments with Al-based content to each audience REQUENT TRAVELERS



We're excited to share these rewards opportunities

Dana, your loyalty has earned you these Silverton rewards.

#### **CLICK TO REVIEW & REDEEM**



60%

ENGAGEMENT

LIFT



FREQUENT CASHBACK



### Congrats! You're invited to redeem these rewards.

Dana, your loyalty has paid off! You have 8.966 points to redeem right now. Silverton offers more than just cashback. Explore all the ways you can use your points.

Continue to rewards

44% ENGAGEMENT LIFT

Top Emotion (Headline):



CTA Category: **ACQUISITION** 

Top Emotion (Headline):



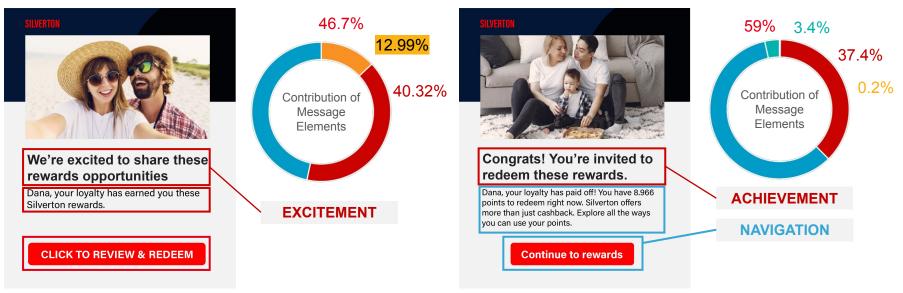
NAVIGATION

CTA Category:

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# Excitement engaged travelers, whereas Achievement engaged cash redeemers.

FREQUENT TRAVELERS



FREQUENT CASHBACK

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## Motivation AI loyalty use cases

- Drive enrollment in loyalty programs and engagement with loyalty benefits
- Motivate purchase "subscriptions" (i.e. monthly "box"; repeat purchases)
- Accelerate the next purchase
- "Add to bag" campaigns

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## Conclusion

- Growth and profitability will be hard-won, talent will be hard to attract, and supplies will be scarce and out of sync with demand, and customers will be looking for the best deal...
- ...And all these business challenges can be mitigated through clearer, more effective, and high-performing messages, that motivate customers to engage and act.
- This is true across a range of communications, from customer acquisition, onboarding, servicing, and retention, to employee engagement and education.

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## Questions



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