

## **Communicating Tips**

To Help Senior Executives Say YES!

- Senior executives are busy.

  Don't waste their time. Get to the point.
- Senior executives ask, "WHY?"

  Clearly show why your topic matters.
- Senior executives ask, "How much?"

  Show relevant numbers. Make them count.
- Senior executives consume lots of information.

  Make yours easy to digest. Use a structure.
- Logic makes people think.

  Use facts and numbers to drive thinking.
- Emotions make people act.

  Use images, examples, and stories to drive action.
- 7 Many senior executives are not subject matter experts. **Avoid jargon. Use simple language.**
- What do you want from them?

  Have a clear and specific call to action.
- Senior Executives want to know you are credible.

  Don't make stuff up. Do your homework.
- Some executives like a memo. Others a presentation. **Don't assume. If you are not sure, ask.**

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