

# Chapter 11

# Product, branding, and packaging decisions



# Today

- Describe the components of a product.
- Identify the types of consumer products.
- Explain the difference between a product mix's breadth and a product line's depth.
- Identify the advantages that brands provide firms and consumers.
- Explain the various components of brand equity.
- Explain brand strategies.
- Indicate the advantages of a product's packaging.



#### Uber







- Uber 2016
  - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=axjXNEordH8
- Uber 2018
  - http://incitrio.com/ubers-ad-campaign-is-the-beginning-of-anew-brand-image/
  - https://youtu.be/k9dzpRzSdnA



# Complexity of Products

#### A BMW is not just a car...

- Warranties included
- Free car washes at some dealers
- Free airport parking in some cities
- Free shuttle service to airport
- Reputation, image
- Financing options







# Types of Products









#### CONVENIENCE PRODUCTS

#### BUY FREQUENTLY AND IMMEDIATELY

- Low priced
- Many purchase locations
- Includes:
- Staple goods
- Impulse goods
- Emergency goods

# SHOPPING PRODUCTS BUY LESS FREQUENTLY

- Gather product information
- Fewer purchase locations
- Compare for:
- Suitability & quality
- Price & Style

#### SPECIALTY PRODUCTS

SPECIAL PURCHASE EFFORTS

- Unique characteristics
- Brand Identification
- Few purchase locations

#### UNSOUGHT PRODUCTS

**NEW INNOVATIONS** 

- Products consumers don't want to think about
- Require much advertising and personal selling



# Types of Products





# Types of Products: Examples











# **Product Mix** & Product Line Decisions

#### **Breadth**

(number of product lines)

# **Depth**

(number of products within a product line)

Abbreviated List of BMW Product Mix			
Product Lines			
BMW	MINI	Rolls-Royce	Motorrad
2 Series 3 Series 4 Series 5 Series 6 Series 7 Series X Series X Series M Series BMW i Hybrid	Clubman Convertible Countryman Coupe Hardtop John Cooper Works Paceman Roadster	Ghost Phantom Wraith	C Series F Series G Series K Series R Series S Series



#### **Product Line Decisions**

- How is this changing the product mix? Does it increase breadth or depth?
- Is this research or advertising?







#### Branding

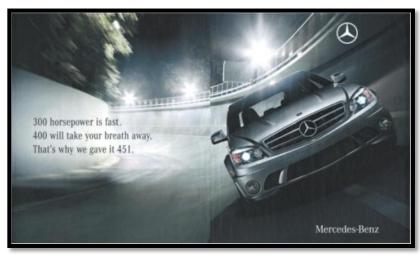
Creating a brand image can involve: name, logo symbols, characters, slogans, jingles, and even distinctive packaging.

**Brand Mantra** is also important!

Offers a quick, simple, and clear definition on what a company stands for how it is different from its competitors, e.g.

- Nike: Authentic Athletic Performance
- **Disney**: Fun Family Entertainment
- Ritz-Carlton: Ladies & Gentlemen Serving Ladies & Gentlemen
- BMW: Ultimate Driving Machine

#### Images, feelings:





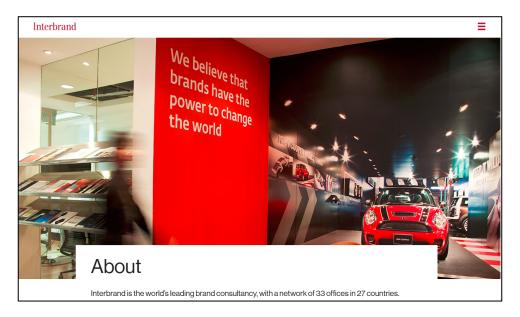
# Branding

<b>Brand Element</b>	Description	
Brand name	The spoken component of branding, it can describe the product or service characteristics and/or be composed of words invented or derived from colloquial or contemporary language. Examples include Comfort Inn (suggests product characteristics), Apple (no association with the product), or Zillow.com (invented term).	
URLs (uniform resource locators) or domain names	Locations of pages on the Internet, which often substitute for the firm's name, such as Toyota (http://www.toyota.com 🔁 ).	
Logos and symbols	Visual branding elements that stand for corporate names or trademarks. Symbols are logos without words. Examples include the McDonald's arches.	
Characters	Brand symbols that could be human, animal, or animated. Examples include the Energizer Bunny and Rice Krispies's Snap, Crackle, and Pop.	
Slogans	Short phrases used to describe the brand or persuade consumers about some characteristics of the brand. Examples include State Farm's "Like A Good Neighbor" and Dunkin' Donuts's "America Runs On Dunkin'."	
Jingles/Sounds	Audio messages about the brand that are composed of words or distinctive music. An example is Intel's fournote sound signature that accompanies the Intel Inside slogan.	



#### **Brand Consultancies**

Interbrand is an American global branding consultancy offering a wide array of brand services including brand strategy, brand analytics, brand valuation, corporate design, digital brand management, packaging design, and naming. Interbrand is among the world's largest brand consultancies and now includes over 40 offices in nearly 30 countries.



The "Client List" of **Interbrand**, which you can access from their website, demonstrates the importance of branding in today's global economy.



# Value of Branding for the Customer and the Marketer

"We valued the brands based on their financial metrics. Our first step was to determine earnings before interest and taxes for each brand..."

- Forbes.com

http://www.forbes.com/powerful-brands/

The above is an interesting article about the world's most powerful brands, and the metrics and methodology used to identify them.







The commercial value of a brand that derives from **consumer perception of the brand name** of a particular product or service, rather than from the product or service itself.

- How well known is this brand?
- What does this brand represent for consumers?
- How much of a premium are consumers willing to pay for my brand vs. a similar but generic (not branded) product?



#### **Brand awareness**



When you need a tissue, do you ask for a tissue, or for a Kleenex? When you're ordering a drink at a fast-food restaurant, do you ask for a soda, or a Coke? What about when you cut yourself? Do you look for a plastic bandage, or a Band-Aid?



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These retailers offer designer products at reduced prices. In some cases, they use well-known designers for their lines of clothing.

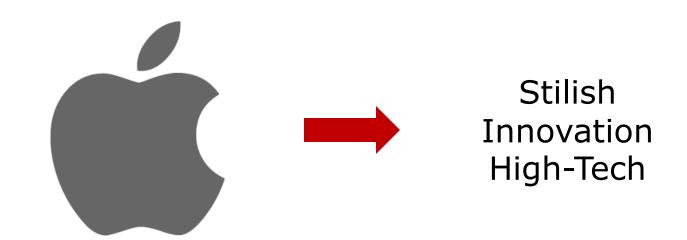


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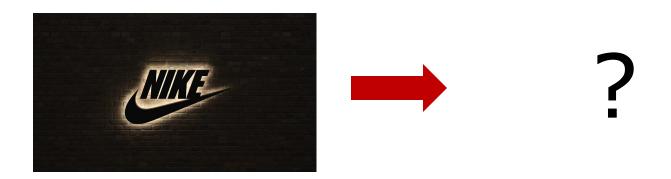


#### **Brand association**





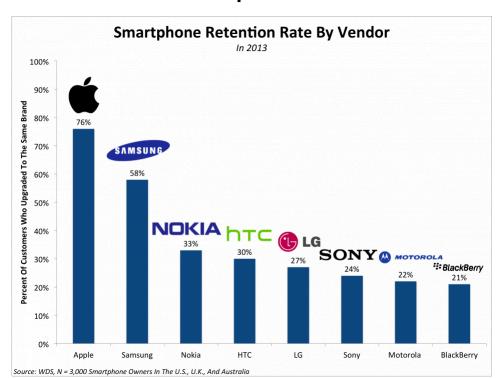
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#### **Brand loyalty**

- Consumers are often less sensitive to price
- Marketing costs are much lower
  - No need to advertise a lot
- Firm insulated from the competition





## Strategies: Brand Ownership

Manufacturer brands (are also referred to as national brands)





(Costco's private label brand)

# **Private-label brands or Store Brands**

- Generic
- Often imitations of national brands (sometimes leads to lawsuits)



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  - The firm can spend less on creating brand awareness! Positive consumer acceptance will spread to the new product.





## Packaging

Often overlooked as a marketing tool, packaging helps determine the success of a product.



FUNCTIONS: Preserve, protect, inform, promote, etc.