# Strategic Marketing Part 3



# What is a product?

- A product is any offering by a company to a market that serves to satisfy customer needs and wants.
- It can be an object, service, idea, etc.

## New Product Development

- Most new product development is an improvement on existing products
- Less than 10% of new products are totally new concepts.

# Success rate of new products

The success rate of new products is very low – less than 5%. 'You have to kiss a lot of frogs to find a prince."

- Product obsolescence is rapid with improvements in technology
- Shorter PLCs

### Consumer goods classification

- Convenience goods
- Shopping goods
- Specialty goods
- Unsought goods

#### Product classification

- Durable
- Non durable
- Services

# Industrial goods classification

- Materials and Parts
  - raw materials
  - manufactured materials and parts
- Capital items
- Supplies and business services

#### **Brand**

- A name becomes a brand when consumers associate it with a set of tangible and intangible benefits that they obtain from the product or service
- It is the seller's promise to deliver the same bundle of benefits/services consistently to buyers

# A Brand Marks what People Think and Feel

 It is a rational and emotional formula based on the sum of trust, relevance, and significance that relates people to a firm, a product, or a service throughout their life.

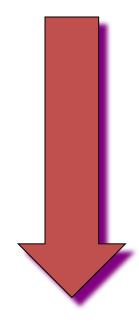
#### **Brand Management**

Some Key Terms

- Brand Awareness
- Brand Loyalty
  - Motivation
  - Desire to Buy Brand
- Perceived Quality
  - Satisfaction
  - Negative Product Image
  - Positive Product Quality
- Brand Equity



### The Dimensions in Brand Building



- Brand identity
- Brand awareness
- Familiarity and knowledge of the brand
- Consideration to evaluate the brand
  - Purchase
- Brand loyalty (or brand equity)

# A Manager's Goal must be to Build Brand Equity

- A brand can only be strong if it has a strong supply of loyal customers
- Brand equity therefore can be defined as a measure of strength of consumers' attachment to a brand.

# **Brand Equity**

Brand Name	Industry	Brand Value (\$US m)	Brand Value as a % of Market Capitalisation
Coca-Cola	Beverages	83,845	59%
Microsoft	Software	56,654	21%
IBM	Computers	43,781	28%
General Electric	Diversified	33,502	10%
Ford	Autos	33,197	58%
Disney	Entertainment	32,275	61%
Intel	Chips	30,021	21%
McDonald's	Fast Food	26,231	64%
AT&T	Telecom	24,181	24%
Marlboro	Tobacco	21,048	19%

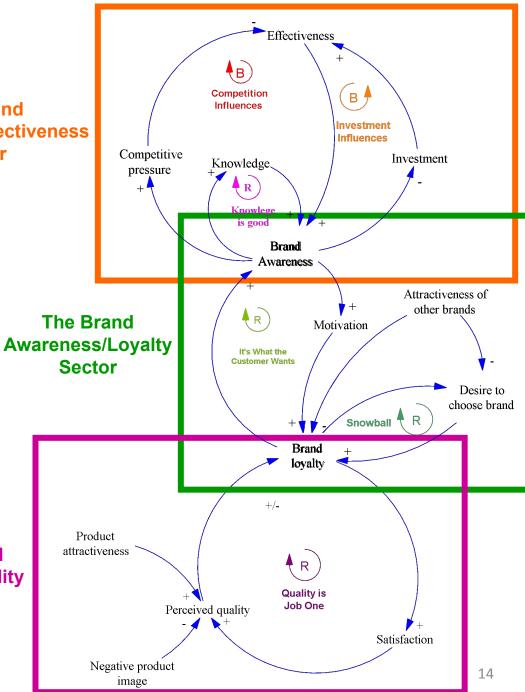
Source: <u>Interbrand</u>, *The World Biggest Brands* 

The Brand
Awareness/Effectiveness
Sector

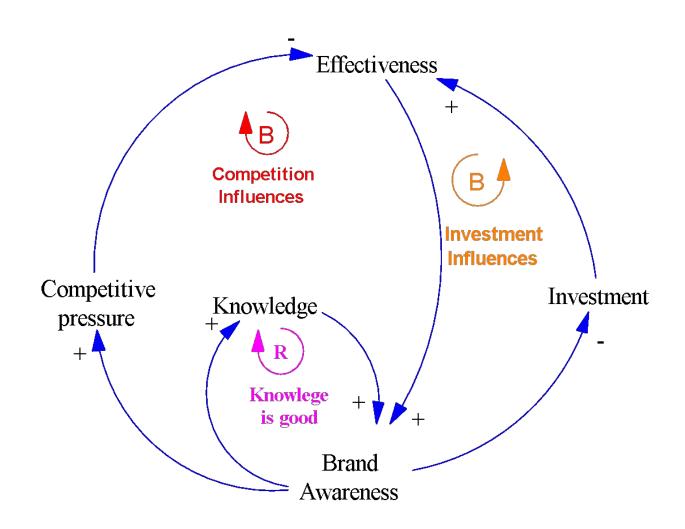
# Brand Management

A Conceptualized Sector Overview

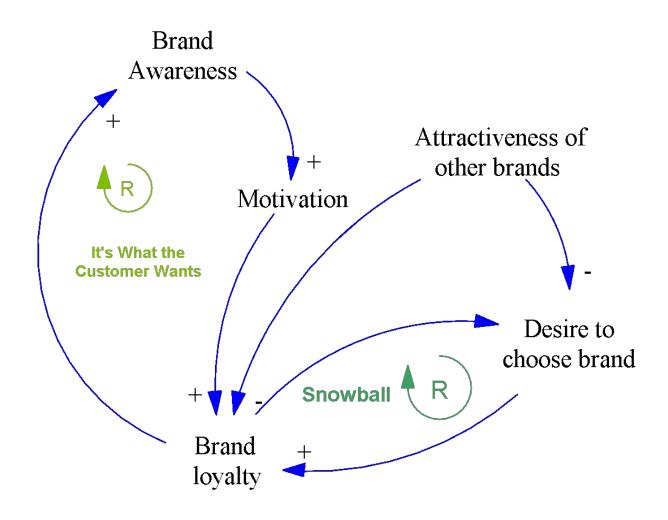
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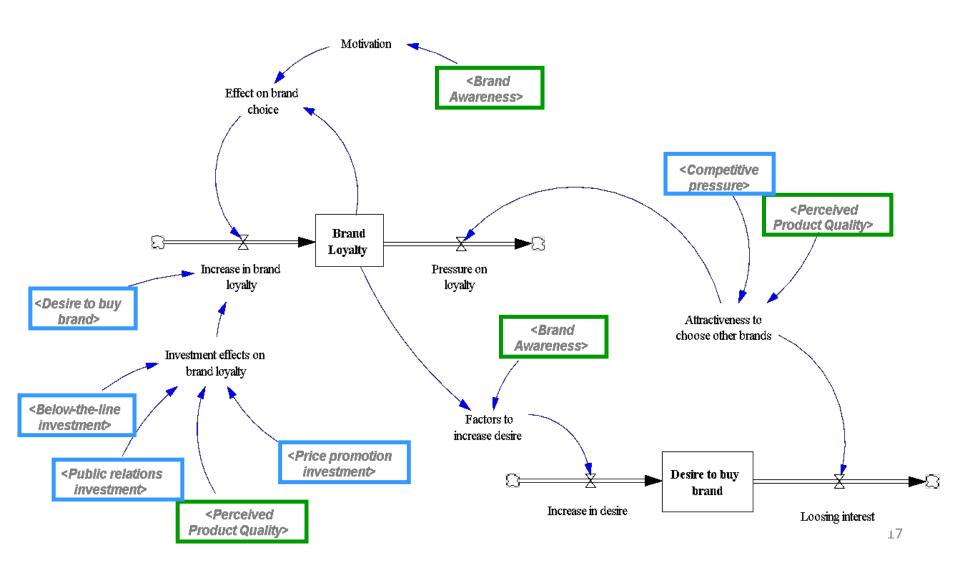
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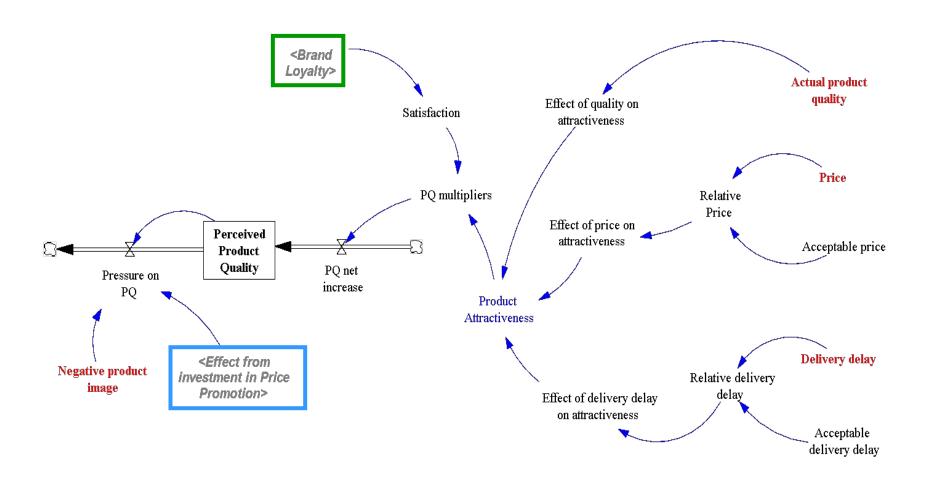
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# Brand Loyalty/Quality Sector



#### **Brand Power**

- Customer will change brands for price reasons
- Customer is satisfied. No reason to change.
- Customer is satisfied and would take pains to get the brand
- Customer values the brand and sees it as a friend
- Customer is devoted to the brand

#### **BRAND EQUITY**

- Brand equity is the value of the brand beyond the tangible assets (eg: NIKE, HARRODS, ADIDAS)
- The four elements of brand equity include:
  - Brand name awareness
  - Brand loyalty
    - Recognition
    - Preference
    - Insistence
  - Perceived brand quality
  - Brand associations

# Brand Equity – Competitive Advantages

- Reduced marketing costs
- Trade leverage
- Can charge a higher price
- Can easily launch brand extensions
- Can take some price competition

#### **BRAND BEHAVIOURS**

- Brand New at the V&A identified seven "Brand Behaviours"
  - Authenticity: Levi's
  - Authority: Domestos, Mr.Muscle
  - Friendly: Apple Mac
  - Status: Burberry, Versace, Dior
  - Loyalty: Manchester United
  - Irreverence: FCUK, Diesel
  - Conscience: Body Shop, Ecover

#### **BRAND STRATEGY OPTIONS**

- Line extensions Crisp manufacturer (Estrella)
- Brand extensions- Virgin airlines to mobiles
- Multibrands- Kellogg's
- New brands- New and fresh brands

#### Brand positioned -range of association

**Product Attribute:** Heinz position its product on the attributes of No artificial colouring

**Usage Occasion-** the convenience store SPAR (eight till late shops); Kit Kat (Have a Break have a Kit kat- links the brand to tea and coffee breaks in the UK market)

**Users-** Ecocover cleaning products

**Activities**-Lucozade is positioned as an isotonic drink for sporting activities **Personality**- Harley Davidson motorbikes (macho products with free spirits) **Origin-** Audi is positioned in the UK market as (From Germany –quality engineering "Vorsprung durch technik"

**Competitors**- Pepsi Cola (choice of next generation) in blind tasting tests younger generation prefer it in comparison to its competitors products **Product Class-** Kellog's nutrigrain bars are morning bars and a substitute for traditional breakfast

Symbol- Esso used symbol of tiger to position itself in the market

# Managing Brand Equity

- Brand Equity needs to be nourished and replenished. We must not flog the brand for equity to be diluted or dissipated
- Store brands

# Advantages of branding

- Easy for the seller to track down problems and process orders
- Provide legal protection of unique product features
- Branding gives an opportunity to attract loyal and profitable set of customers
- It helps to give a product category at different segments, having separate bundle of benefits
- It helps build corporate image
- It minimises harm to company reputation if the brand fails

# **Brand parity**

 Consumers buy from a set of acceptable/ preferred brands

#### **Umbrella Brand**

- Products from different categories under one brand
- Dangerous to the brand if the principal brand fails
- Sometimes the company name is prefixed to the brand. In such cases the company name gives it *legitimacy*. The product name *individualises* it.

## Naming the Brand

- Product benefits
- Product qualities
- Easy to pronounce
- Should be distinctive
- Should not have poor meanings in other languages and countries

### Brand strategy

- Line extension existing brand name extended to new sizes in the existing product category
- Brand extension brand name extended to new product categories
- Multibrands new brands in the same product category
- New brands new product in a different product category
- Cobrands –brands bearing two or more well known brand names

## **Brand Positioning- Associations**

Product Attribute: Heinz is positioned on attributes of no artificial colouring, flavouring or preservatives

## **Brand Repositioning**

 This may be required after a few years to face new competition and changing customer preferences

#### Labels

- Identification
- Grade classification
- Description of product
- Manufacturer identity
- Date of mfg., batch no.
- Instructions for use
- Promotion

# Labels as a marketing tool

 Labels need to change with time or packaging changes to give it a contemporary and fresh look

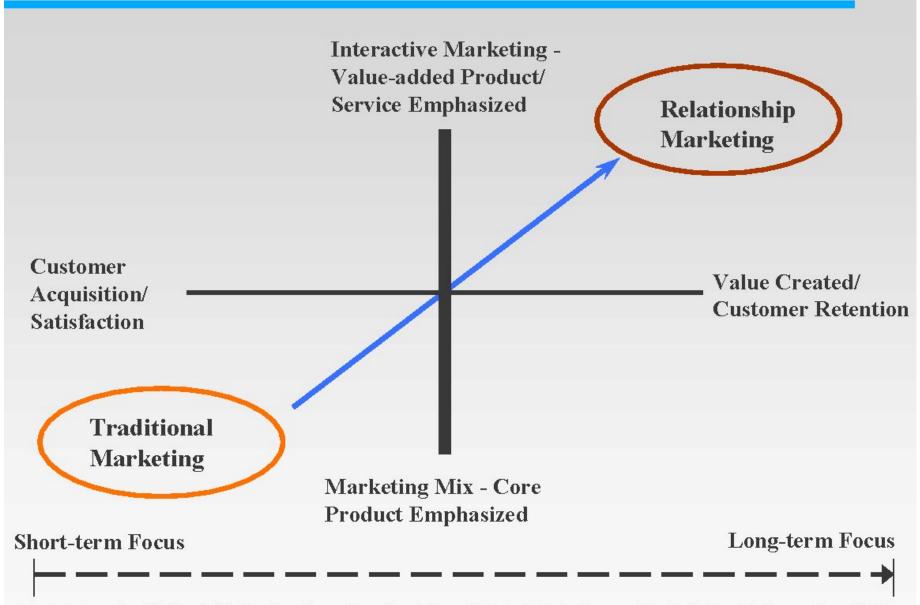
# Factors Causing the Decline of the Traditional Marketing Paradigm

- This perspective is no longer sufficient
- The powerful forces of industry globalization
- The "value" movement
- Rapid advances in technology
- Shift in the balance of power toward customers have coalesced to change the rules for business success

# The Transition from the Traditional Marketing Concept

- The traditional marketing paradigm (the
   4 Ps) is losing some of its influence among marketers.
- It focuses on the transaction and the core product, taking a short-term perspective; customer attraction (conquest marketing) is the overriding goal.
- The 5<sup>th</sup> P is people more important!

Fig. 11.1 Traditional Versus Relationship Marketing



## Relationship Marketing Defined

"To establish, maintain, and enhance (usually but not necessarily long-term) relationships with customers and other partners, at a profit, so that the objectives of the parties involved are met. This is achieved by a mutual exchange and fulfillment of promises."

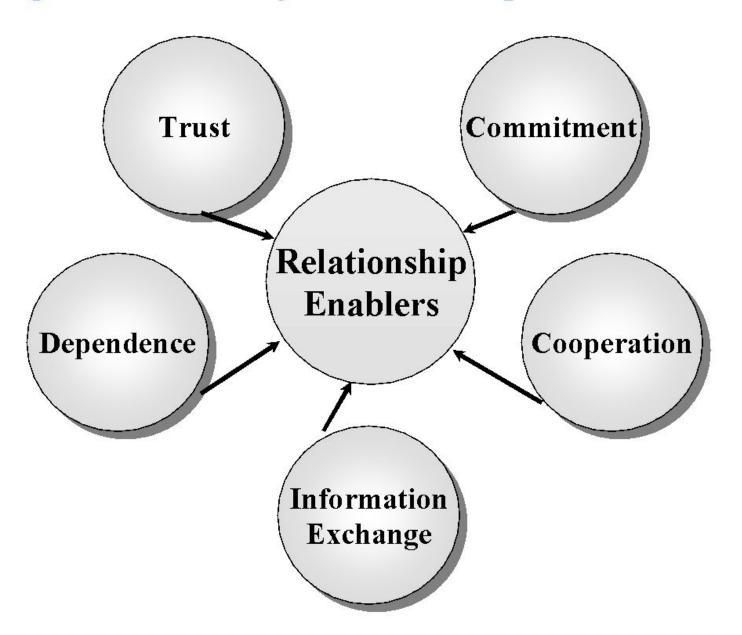
Grönroos (Service Management and Marketing, 1990)



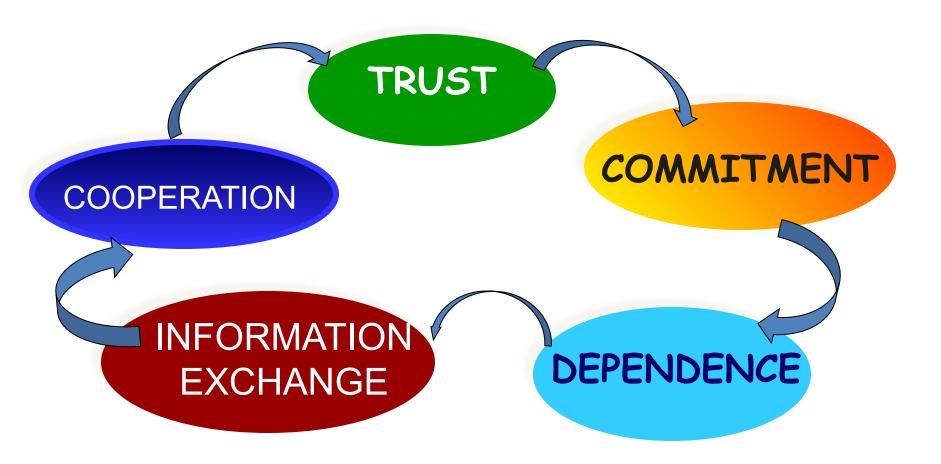
# Relationship Marketing - Goals and Outcomes

- Whereas the goal of traditional marketing is customer acquisition, under relationship marketing the focus shifts to creating value
- The objective is to create more value through interdependent, collaborative relationships with customers, the outcome is customer retention
- Relationship marketing is ongoing, constantly looking for opportunities to generate new value
- Retaining customers requires marketers to exhibit care and concern <u>after</u> they have made a purchase
- The sale often represents only the beginning of the relationship between the buyer and seller

#### Figure 11.2 Key Relationship Variables



#### Supplier Rankings of Relationship Enablers \*



Johnson, W. and Weinstein, A. (1999) Based on a study of Motorola and Lucent Marketing Managers.

## 4 Levels of Relationship Marketing\*

\*Source: Berry, L. (1995)

#### **Customer Relationship Management (CRM)**

#### **Definition of CRM**

CRM is a business strategy that involves selecting and managing customer relationships to optimize the long-term value of a company

#### **Goal of CRM**

☐ The goal of CRM is to acquire, grow, and retain the right customer relationships -- those with the best long-term profit potential

(Bob Thompson, founder of CRMGuru.com)

# Customer Relationship Management (CRM) as Collaboration

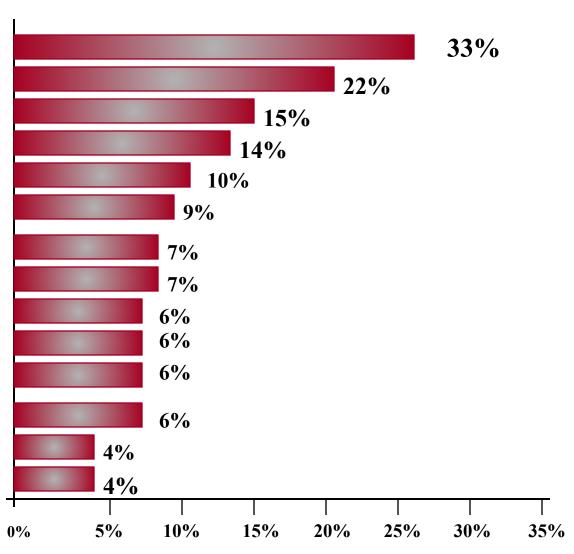
- <u>CRM</u> is about collaborating with customers and partners so they receive superior value
- Interactions with customers regardless of the sales channel should be constantly managed to optimize the value of those relationships
- Effective CRM systems provide a "360 degree" view of the customer, including the frequency, response, and quality of customer interactions

#### **Characteristics of a Good CRM System**

- A good CRM system is capable of describing customer relationships in sufficient detail so that management, salespeople, customer service and even suppliers have direct and real-time access to customer information
- The information gathered should help match customer needs with product/service offerings, remind customers of service requirements, predict future purchases, and alert the company when a customer's purchase behavior has changed
- A <u>key feature of CRM</u> is sharing the customer experience across the organization and supply chain

#### **CRM BUSINESS DRIVERS**

**Automation/Productivity/Efficiency Competitive Advantage Customer Demands and Requirements Increased Revenue Cost or Price Reduction Speed/Saving Time Keeping Track of All Aspects of Business Customer Support Inventory Control/Resource Management Better/Expanded Communication** Integration **Customer Satisfaction Accessibility** ConformityStandardization



Source: AMR Research, 2002

#### **CRM & Critical Customer Data**

Companies should continuously gather critical customer data known as *BADI* 

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Behaviors (how often and where customers visit)
Attitudes (customers satisfaction, service
quality assessments)
Demographics
Insights (share of market,
share of wallet)
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# The Customer Relationship Philosophy and Techniques

 Customer relationships are improved by responding to customer needs

• Companies who successfully practice relationship marketing have mastered mass customization

 In many markets it is not only possible, but imperative to mass customize for customers

New technology enables efficient customization of products and services,
 even when the customer base is quite large

#### TARGET MARKETING STRATEGIES

Undifferentiated marketing

-Single product for all segments

Concentrated marketing

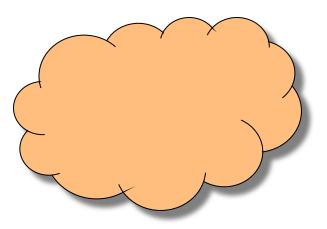
-Ideal product for one segment

Differentiated marketing

-Develop different products (and mixes) for different market segments

#### PRODUCT POSITIONING

- Real positioning
- Psychological positioning



#### REAL POSITIONING

- Based on attribute, eg pack size, price, return on investment etc.
- Concrete / objective properties



#### **PSYCHOLOGICAL POSITIONING**

 'Positioning starts with a product. A piece of merchandise, a service, a company, or even a person... but positioning is not what you do to a product. Positioning is what you do to the mind of the prospect'.

Ries and Trout 1982

- Reality is not important
- Consumer perception is

#### **PSYCHOLOGICAL POSITIONING**

What is the position of the product in the mind of the consumer?



Ries and Trout's 6 steps question framework for successful positioning

- 1. What position do you currently own?
- 2. What position do you want to own?
- 3. Whom you have to defeat to own the position you want.
- 4. Do you have the resources to do it?
- 5. Can you persist until you get there?
- 6. Are your tactics supporting the positioning objective you set?

## **POSITIONING STRATEGIES**

By specific product features	Kwik Save (discounted supermarket chain UK)
By benefits, problems, solutions or needs	Volvo- safety Crest- Toothpaste anti cavity DHL- Worldwide netwok of offices
By specific usage occasions	Johnson's Baby Shampoo Hennessy Cognac Wash'n'go
By user category	Pepsi and 7-UP Kellogg's Chombos
Against another product	Avis (Rent a car)
By product class disassociation	Lead- free petrol against leaded petrol

#### **COMPETITIVE POSITIONING**

 Competitive positioning is concerned with how customers perceive the alternative offerings on the market compared to each other

Hooley, Saunders and Piercy(1998)

#### Positioning applies to these levels:

- Companies: In grocery retailing in the UK Tesco, Sainsbury and Asda. Positioning is based on these identities
- Products and services: Dyson vacuum cleaner compared to similar priced products from Hoover
- Brands: Brand identities Coca-Cola vs Pepsi

# DEVELOPMENT OF A POSITIONING STRATEGY

- Identify competitors
- Determine how the competitors are perceived and evaluated
- Determine the competitors' positions
- Analyse the consumers' behaviour, motivations, attitudes
- Select the position
- Monitor the position

#### PERCEPTUAL MAPPING

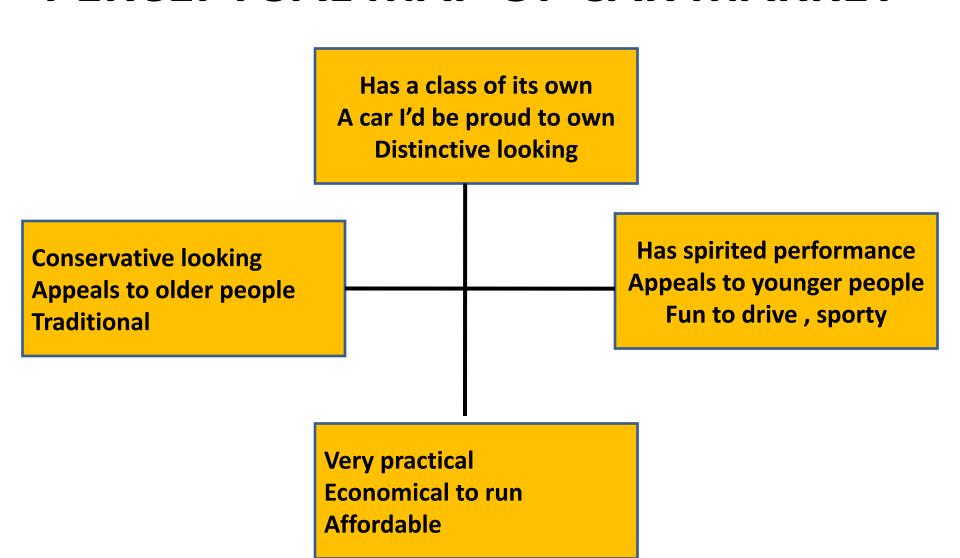
Perceptual Mapping is a graphics technique to visually display the perceptions of customers or potential customers.

#### What do we see?

Position of a product, product line, brand, or company is displayed relative to their competition.

Perceptual Maps can have any number of dimensions but the most common is two dimensions.

#### PERCEPTUAL MAP OF CAR MARKET



## PERCEPTUAL MAP

