

ZEN AI COHABITATION

How I learned to embrace the SLOP

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Capybara enthusiast
Slop-free since 1979

JOSH LEE

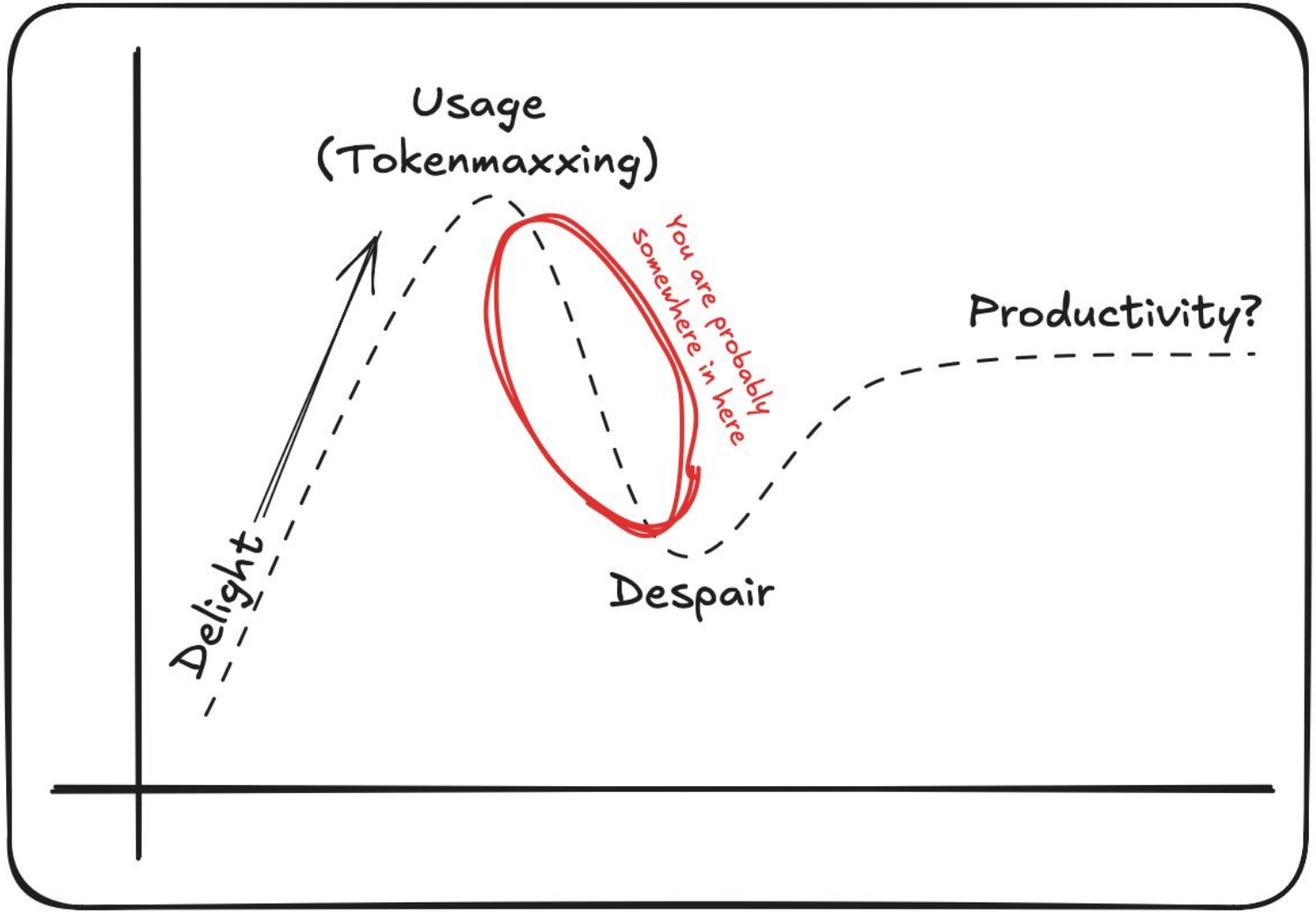
Mostly harmless




AI ALL THE THINGS!


WHAT DO WE WANT?
MOAR AI!!


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Who would have thought devs would go from:
- pushing ba micromanaging agents
- de g co switching -> context switching
ro necessity
- cherishing the craft -> ba look the cod
"contrappasso" Dan uld call it, wi he
"punishme mirrors "sin"
Welc to
Welcome to
HELL
ARE IERE
This is fine...


Usage
(Tokenmaxxing)
You are probably somewhere in here
Productivity?
Delight
Despair

THE SLOP IS QUICKSAND



AI won’t take our jobs
But it will take our jobs...


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How do we keep our sanity amid the slop?



There are things you babysit.

There are things you delegate.

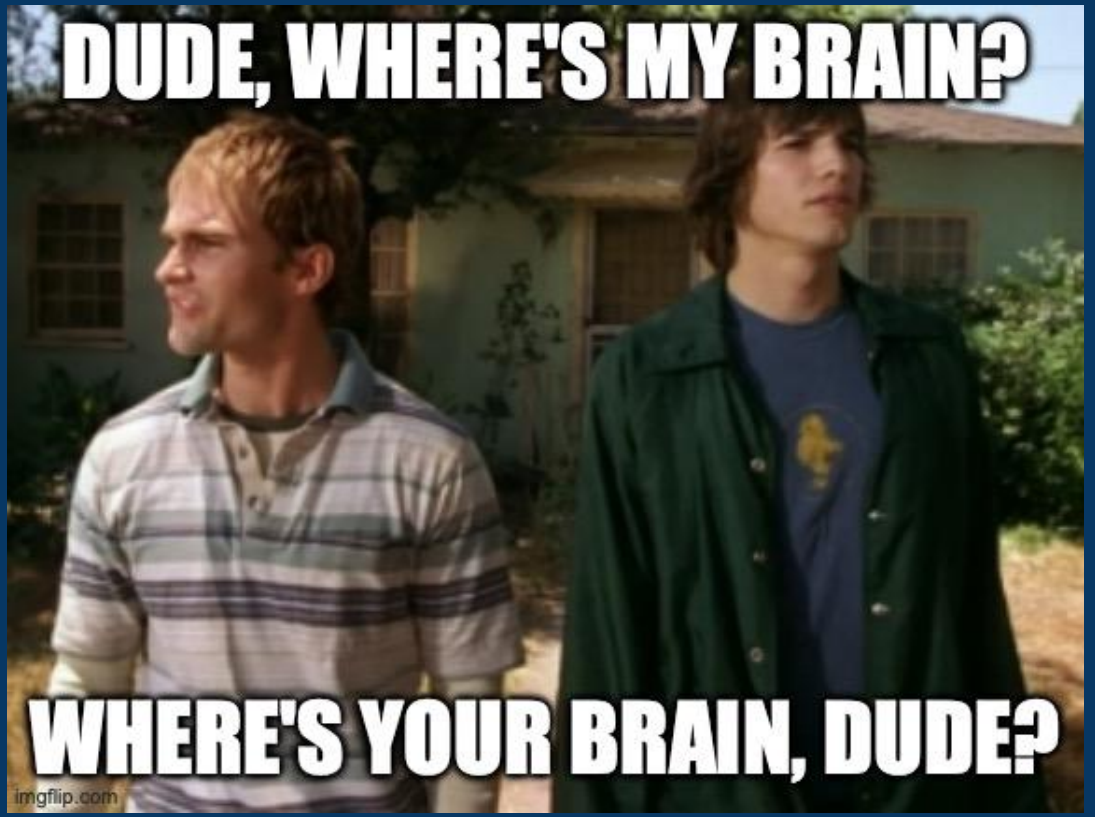
There are things you abdicate.

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DELEGATE VS ABDICATE

This is your brain on AI

AI has gotten so good, that we've abdicated a bunch of tasks to it

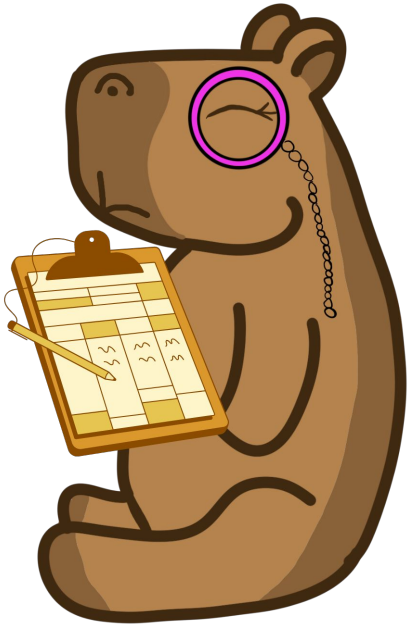


WHAT ABOUT YOU?

What have YOU abdicated to AI?

ADRIANA & JOSH'S AWESOME ABDICATION LIST

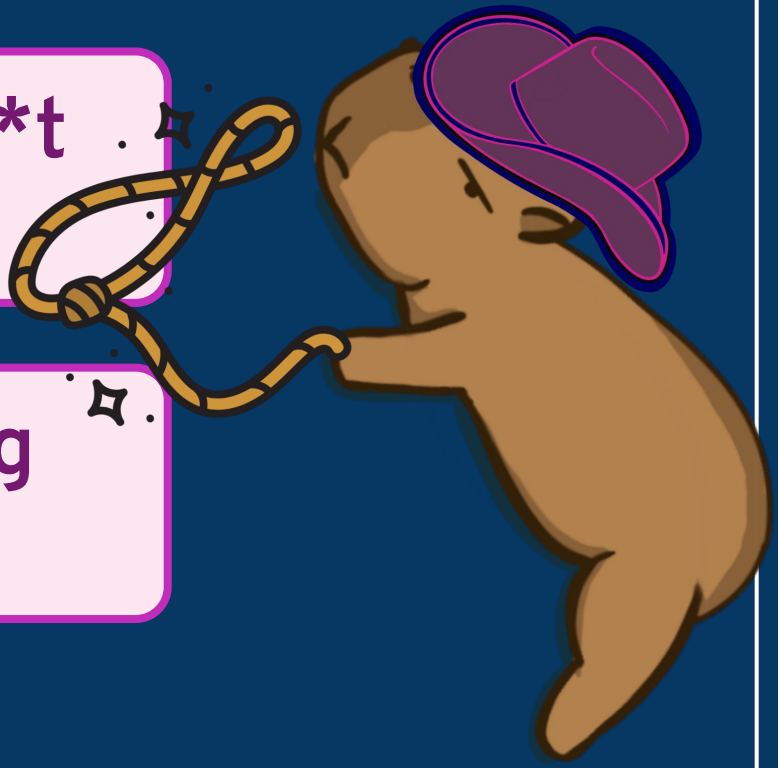
- [x] Preliminary research
- [x] Regex & bash lookups 💀
- [x] CSS (ok all frontend…) 😅
- [x] Writing terraform



ABDICATION SURVIVAL TIPS

Let AI do all the boring sh*t you don't want to do!

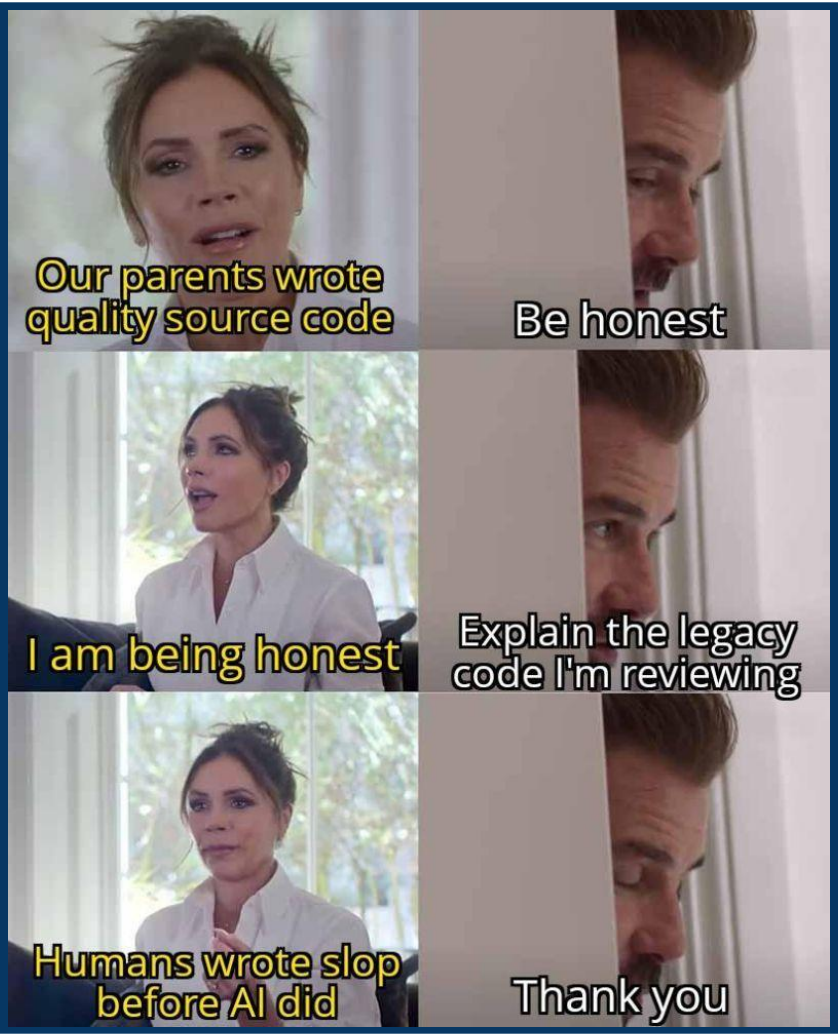
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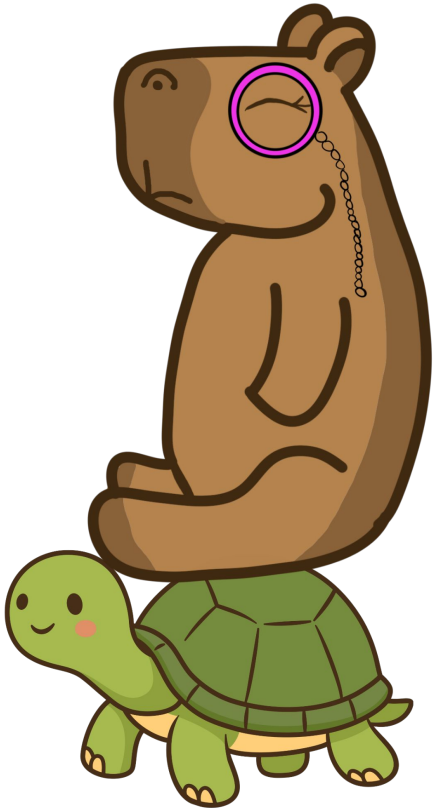
02 EMBRACE SLOP

LLMs are sycophantic, “truthy” interns that can read 1000x faster than you


Our parents wrote quality source code
Be honest
I am being honest
Explain the legacy code I'm reviewing
Humans wrote slop before AI did
Thank you

HOW TO RISE ABOVE

- [x] Give AI a “proper” environment
- [x] Don’t do markdown engineering
- [x] Automate your loops
- [x] Give your agents good DevEx

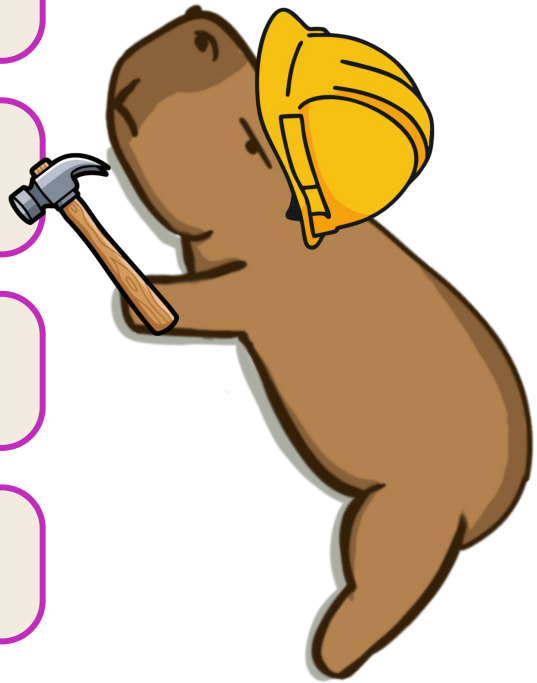


The ways we've decided that work gets done is not necessarily the most efficient way for AI to do the work



THE SHAPE OF WORK HAS CHANGED

- [x] New forms of analysis
- [x] Git no longer makes sense
- [x] Your role has changed too
- [x] Should humans read code?



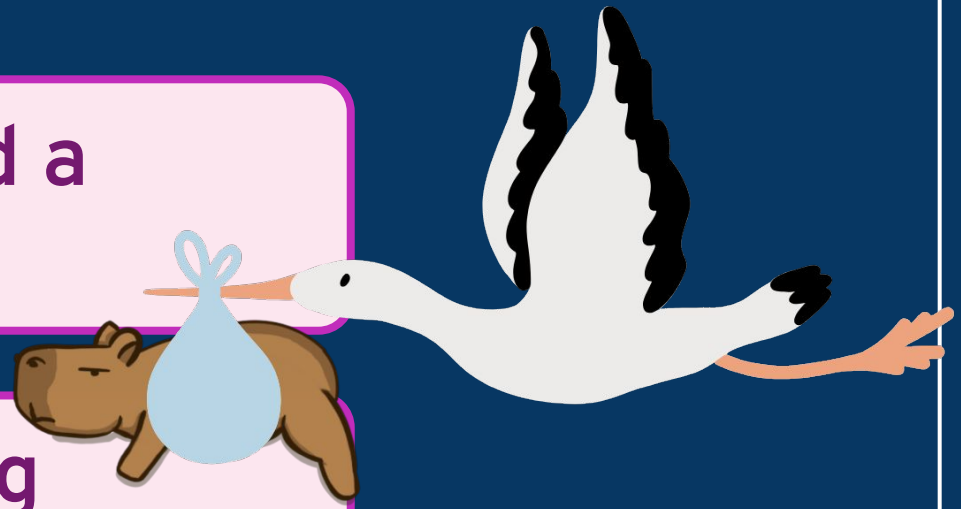
03 LOOKING FORWARD

Grooming the next generation

WHERE DO JUNIOR DEVELOPERS COME FROM?

Small orgs don’t need a cousin for their IT

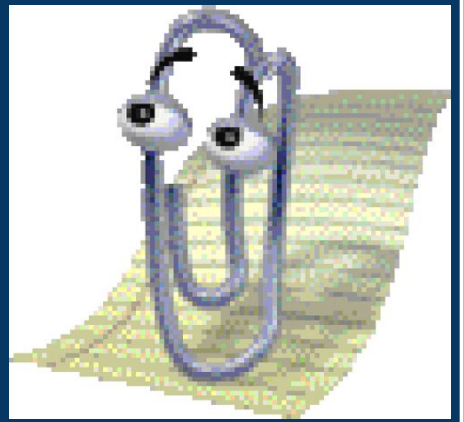
Large orgs are putting everything on their seniors



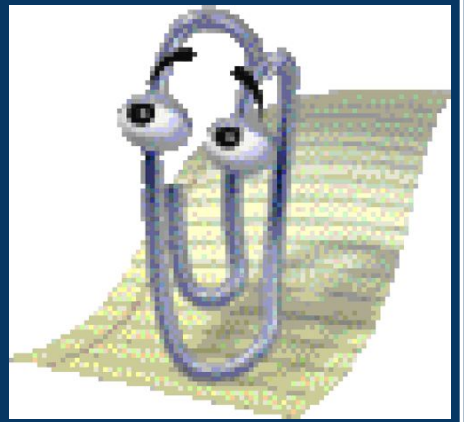
Let’s mentor juniors to work *with* AI



The basics of what we need to teach juniors has changed

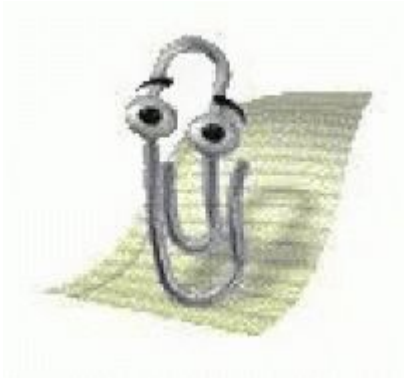


Experience comes from end-to-end ownership. Where to get that? Open-source!



HEALTHY OSS CONTRIBUTIONS

- Talk to people
- Use AI to explain the codebase
- Be able to explain your code
- Don’t do “drive-by” contributions



04 MAINTAIN SANITY

Keep calm, and wade through the slop.


We are surrounded by SLOP!

The more we use and interact with AI, the sadder we seem to get...WHY?



FINAL SURVIVAL TIPS

- Follow trustworthy content creators
- Create your own crappy slide art!
- Mentor, mentor, mentor!
- Take an AI holiday




TOUCH GRASS

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Homelab cultist

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BLAH

Blah

JOSH'S STORY ABOUT COPYING TEXT

- The AI will do the same thing 9 times then do something different the 10th time

“THERE IS NOTHING NEW UNDER THE SUN”





ironicmirror • 1d

The problem with AI is it makes dumb people look smart and make smart people feel dumb.

Ignore your coworkers passive aggressive stance, I think you'll find that your boss is going to be moving some of those out the door.

brendan short · 2nd
Founder, The Signal (AI x GTM newsletter) | Playing long-ter...
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kinda sums it up right here



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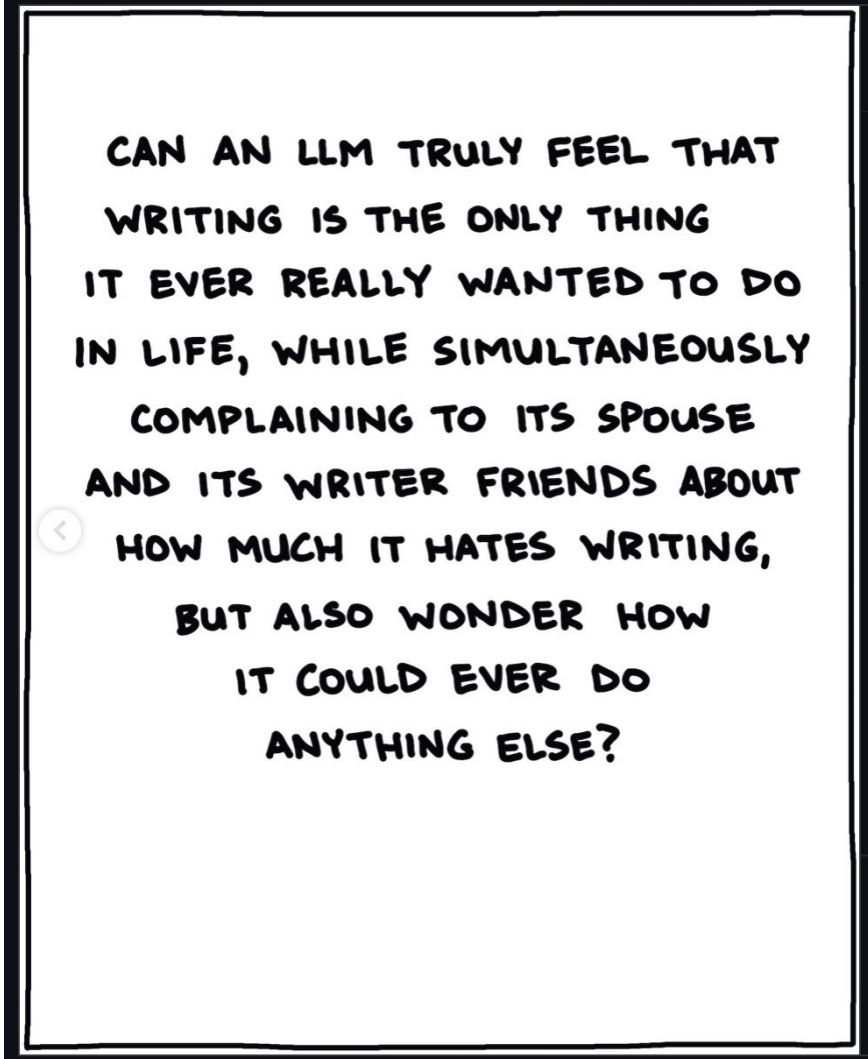
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AI isn't killing software engineering jobs.

It's killing the productive struggle that actually creates senior engineers.

When you skip the 3-hour debugging sessions, you trade long-term intuition for short-term speed.

10:15 AM · Aug 28, 2026



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(from yesterday's newsletter)

koaflashboy 6d
This. A photographer I admire is quoted saying: "You don't make a photograph just with a camera. You bring to the act of photography all the pictures you have seen, the books you have read, the music you have heard, the people you have loved."

Like Reply

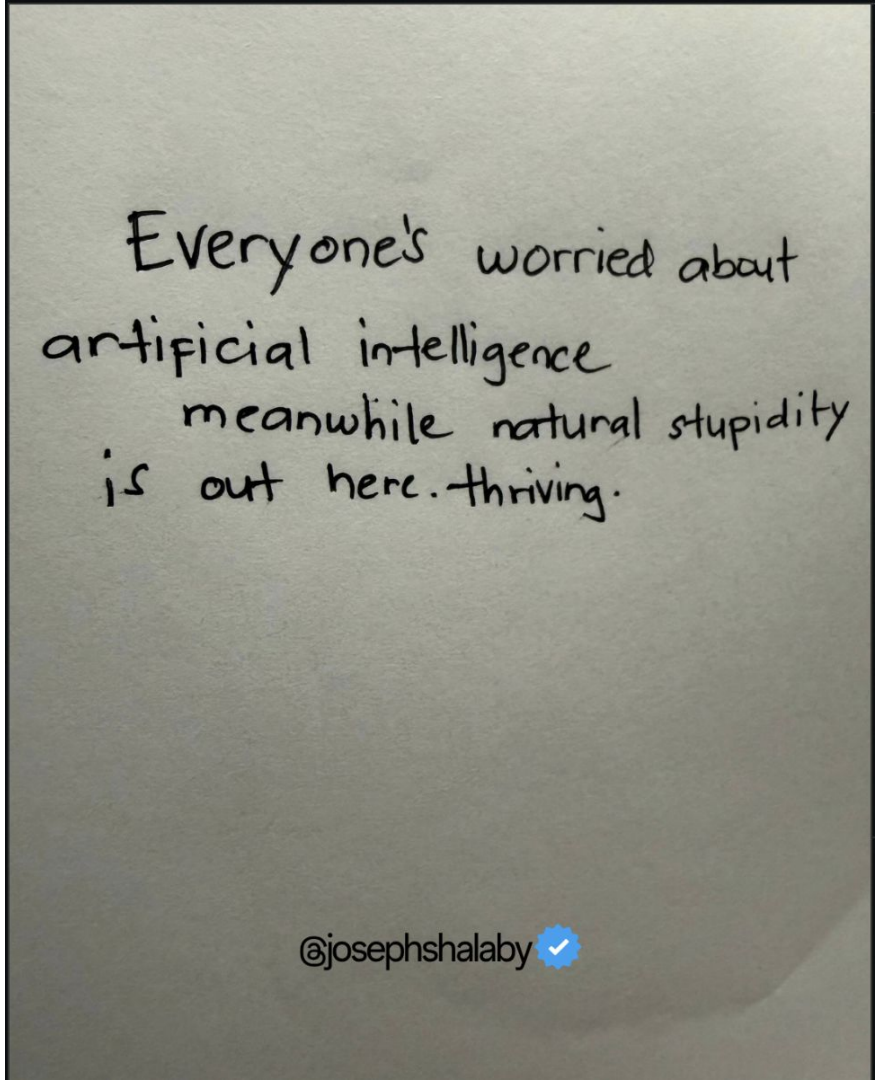
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Quick correction: that LLM did not create a "new" thing. You did.

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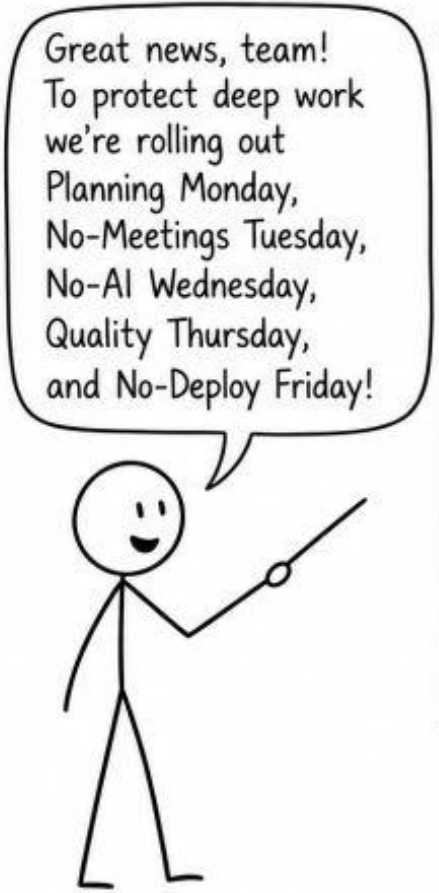
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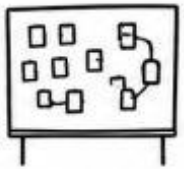
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artificial intelligence
meanwhile natural stupidity
is out here. thriving.
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THE NEW AND IMPROVED PRODUCTIVITY CALENDAR™

MORE FOCUS. FEWER DISTRACTIONS. SIGNIFICANTLY LESS WORK.



MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
Planning Monday	No-Meetings Tuesday	No-AI Wednesday	Quality Thursday	No-Deploy Friday
				
(plan the work we won't do)	(so we can actually focus)	(reconnect with your natural intelligence)	(review, refactor, write better code)	(keep things stable)
"A GREAT WEEK STARTS WITH A PLAN!"	"LESS TALK. MORE PROGRESS!"	"HUMAN IDEAS STILL MATTER!"	"SLOWER TODAY. FEWER INCIDENTS TOMORROW!"	"BETTER SAFE THAN SORRY!"

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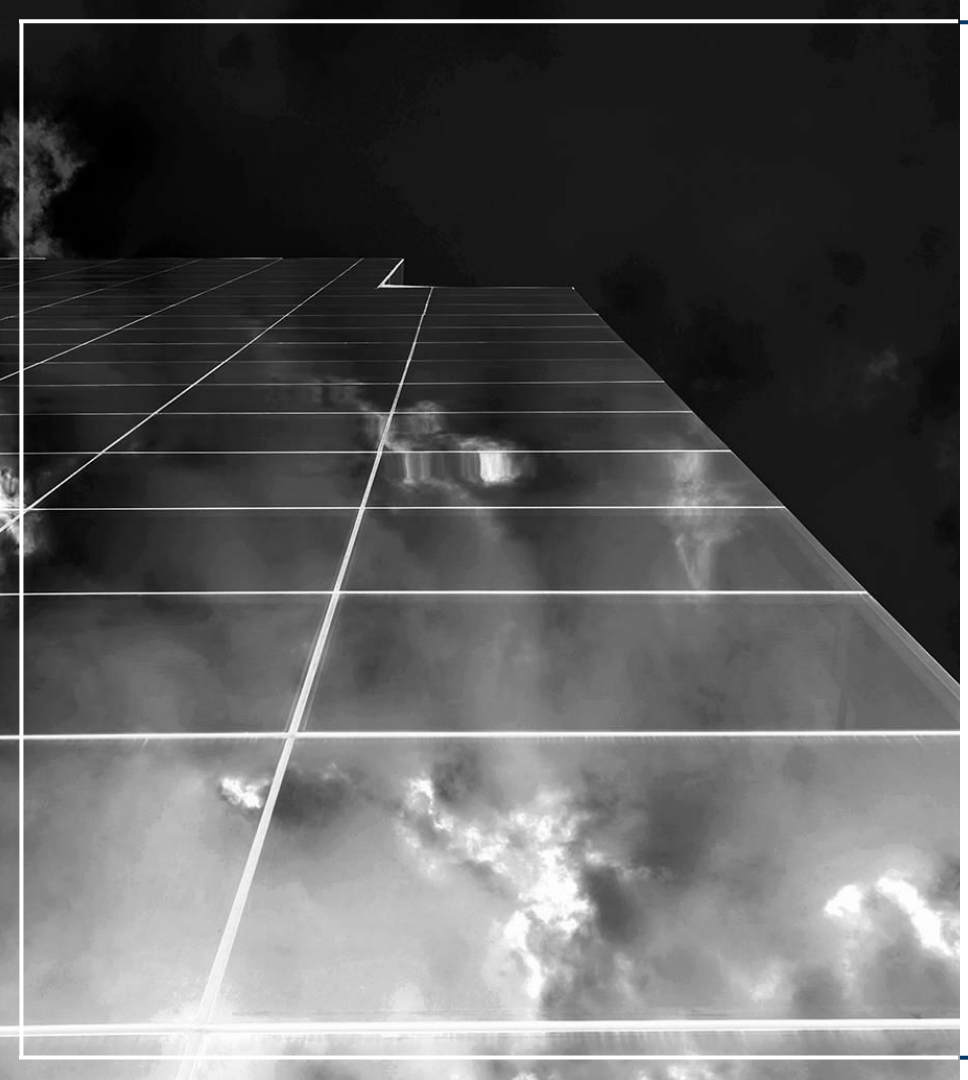
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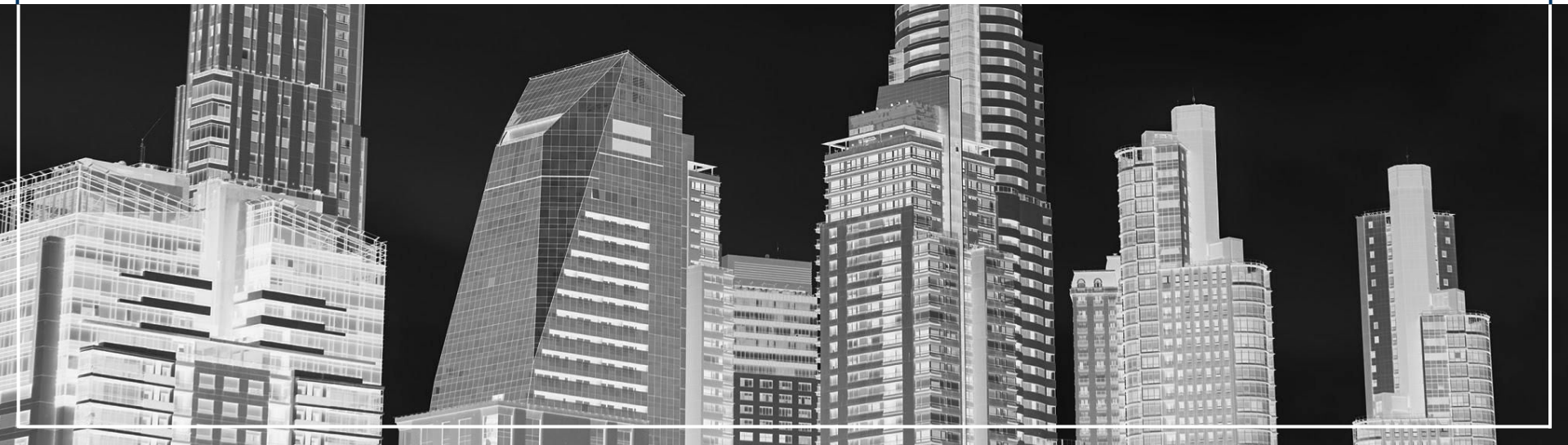


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OUR EVOLUTION



2017

Venus has a beautiful name



2019

Despite being red, Mars is a cold place

OUR EVOLUTION



2019

Despite being red, Mars is a cold place



2020

Earth is where we live on

OUR EVOLUTION

2010

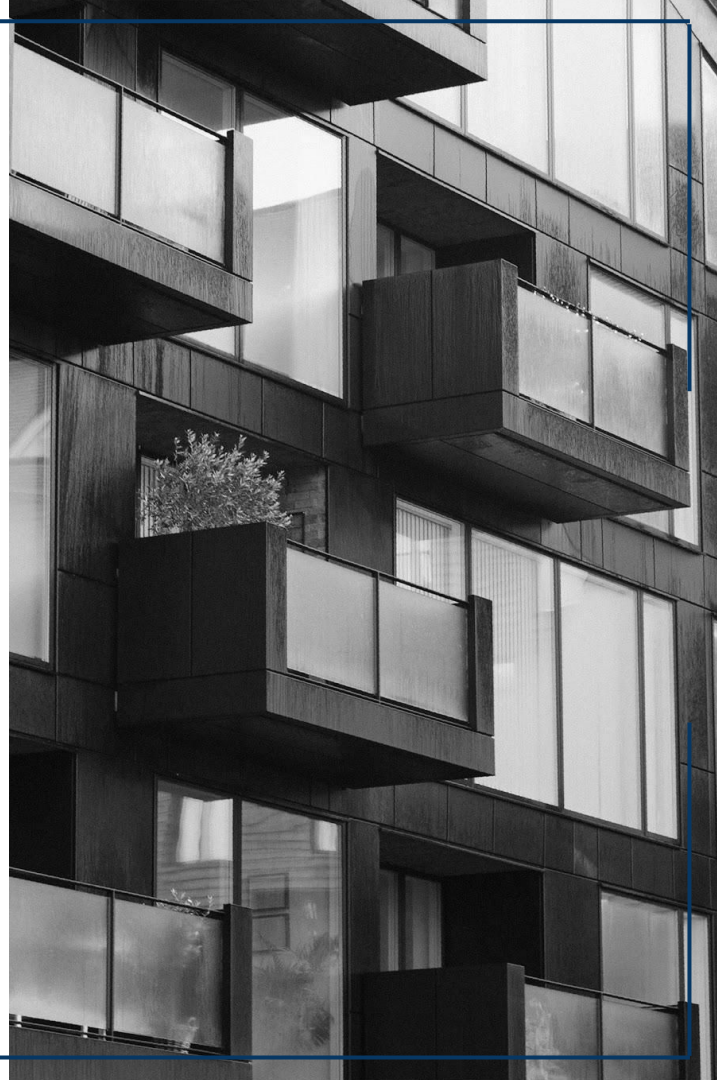
Venus has a beautiful name but is cold

2012

Despite being red, Mars is a cold place

2015

Jupiter is the biggest planet of them all





OUR EVOLUTION

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2019

Earth is the only planet with life

2021

Neptune is far away from Earth

87%

GROWTH THIS YEAR





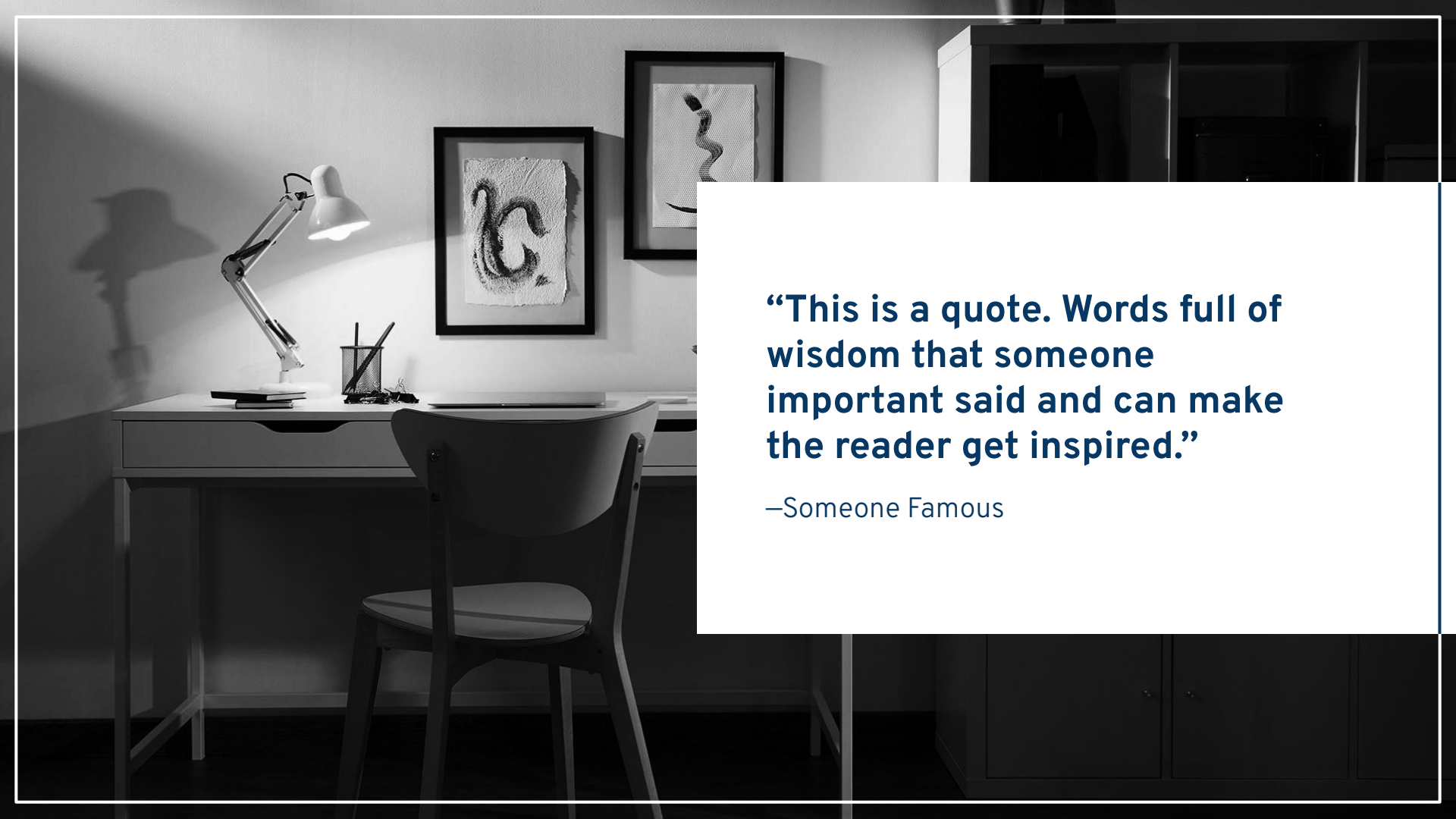
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A PICTURE IS WORTH A THOUSAND WORDS



WHAT SETS US APART



VENUS

Venus is the second planet from the Sun



JUPITER

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MARS

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NEPTUNE

Neptune is the farthest planet from the Sun

VENUS

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NEPTUNE

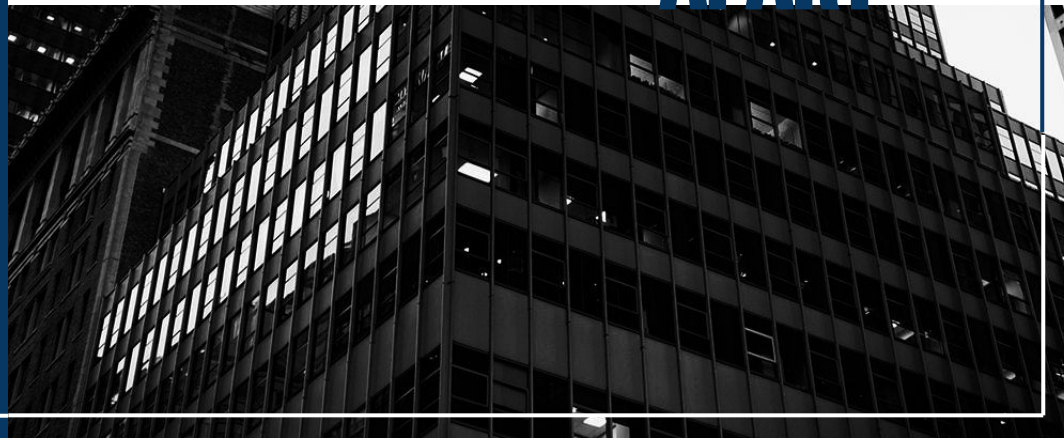
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GUIDING PRINCIPLES



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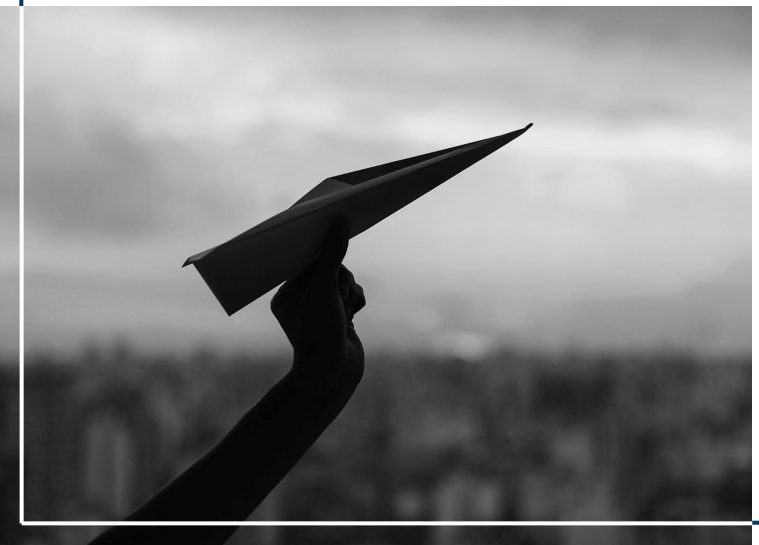
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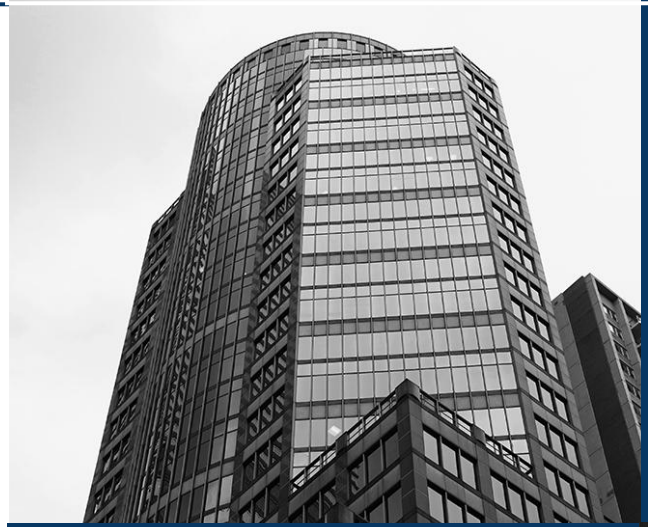
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Mercury is a small planet

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Neptune is far away from Earth

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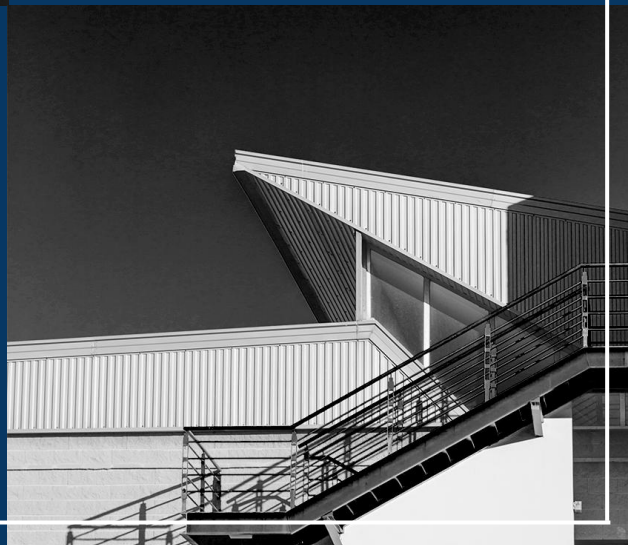


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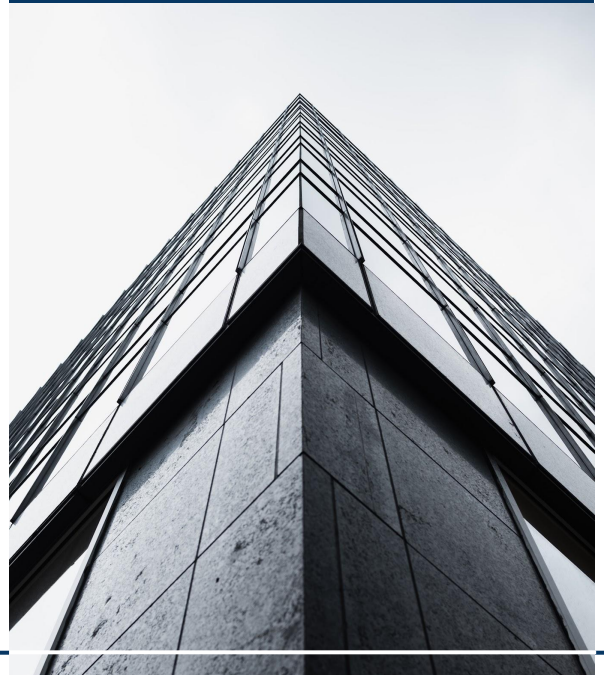
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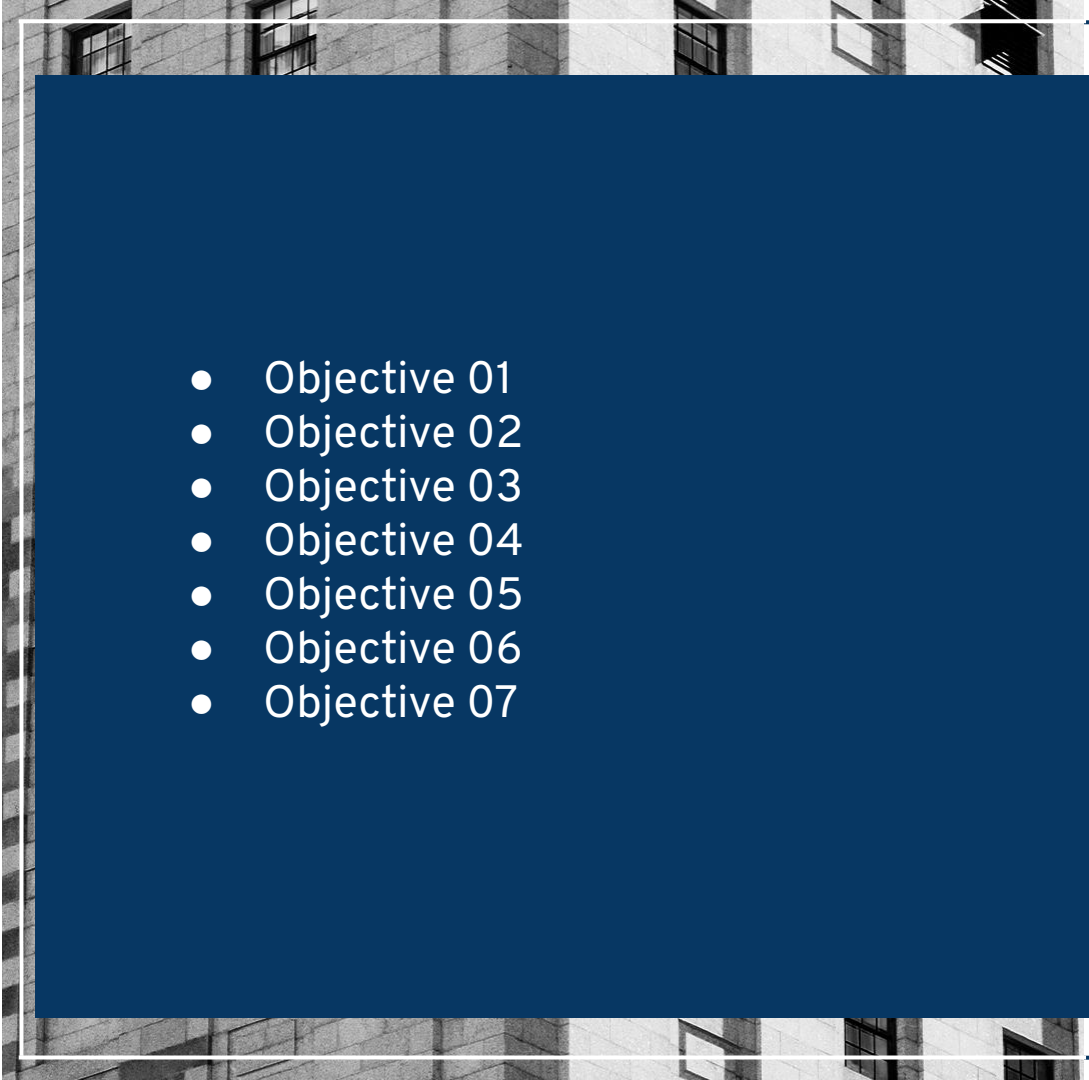


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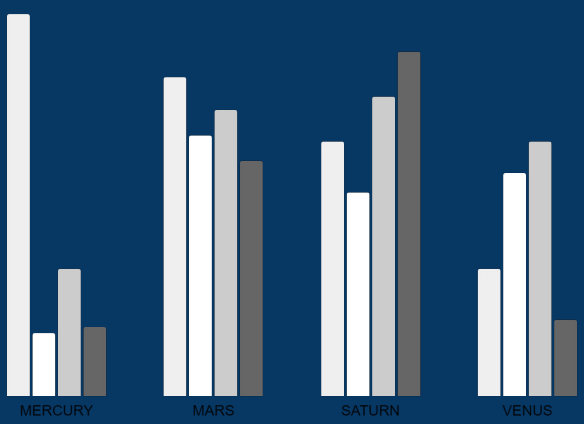
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VENUS

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MARS

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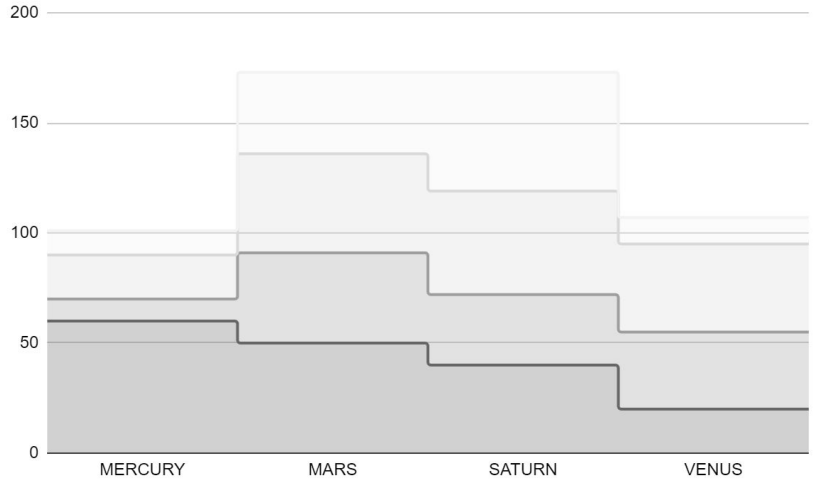
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Neptune is far away from Earth

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BUYER JOURNEY



AWARENESS
Sun



CONSIDERATION
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DECISION
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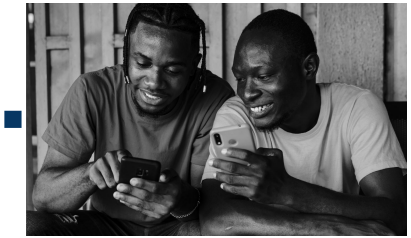


CONSIDERATION
Earth





DECISION
Moon



LOYALTY
Moon

BUYER PERSONA PROFILE

GENDER

Women

Men

MOTIVATION

Neptune is the farthest planet from the Sun

INTERESTS

APPS

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BUYER PERSONA PROFILE



BASIC INFO

Age: 26
Gender: Female
Studies: Architecture
Job: Architect
Salary: $ 2000
Status: Single

SKILLS

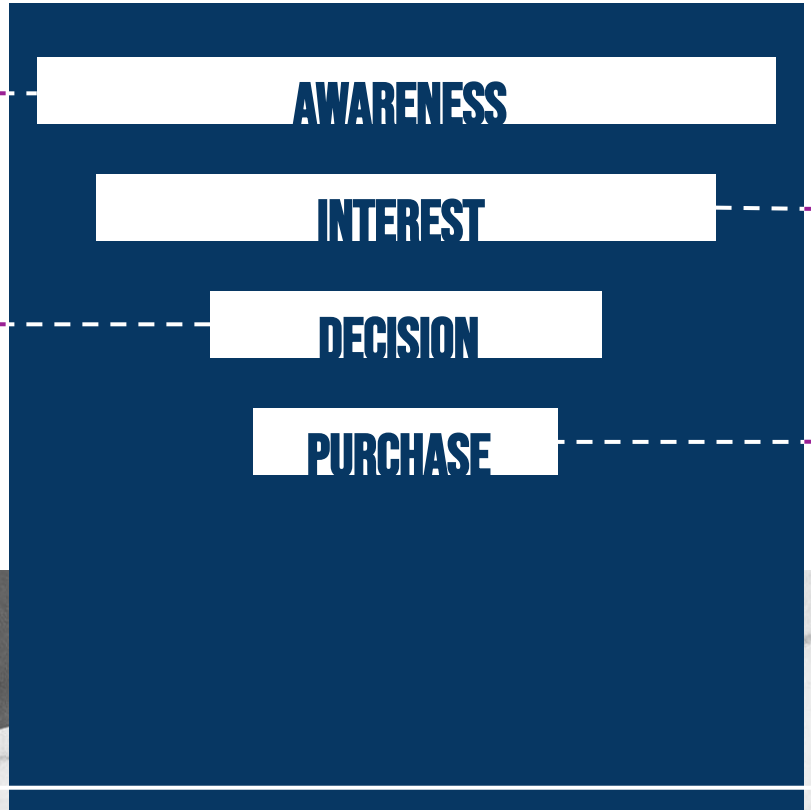
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90% Bio food

70% Sports

HOBBIES

SALES FUNNEL



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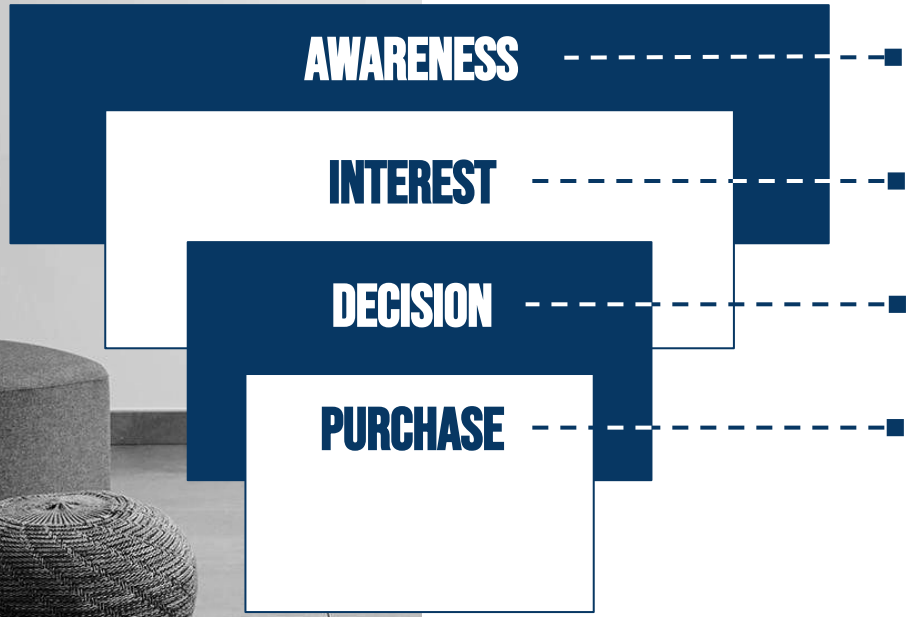
Saturn is the ringed planet

Mars is actually a cold place

Jupiter is a gas giant



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Venus has a beautiful name

Mars is a cold place

Saturn has several rings

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SWOT ANALYSIS



STRENGTHS

Jupiter is a gas giant and the biggest planet in the Solar System

WEAKNESSES

Venus has a beautiful name, but its atmosphere is extremely poisonous

OPPORTUNITIES

Despite being red, Mars is actually a cold place full of iron oxide dust

THREATS

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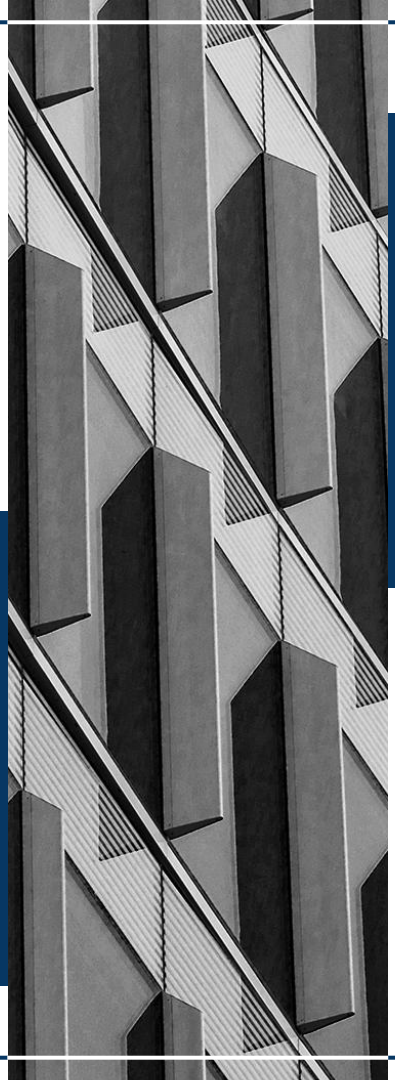
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GOAL 1

Mars is a cold place

GOAL 2

Mercury is the smallest planet



GOAL 3

Saturn has several rings

GOAL 4

Venus is terribly hot

GOALS

GOAL 1

Mars is a cold and red place

GOAL 2

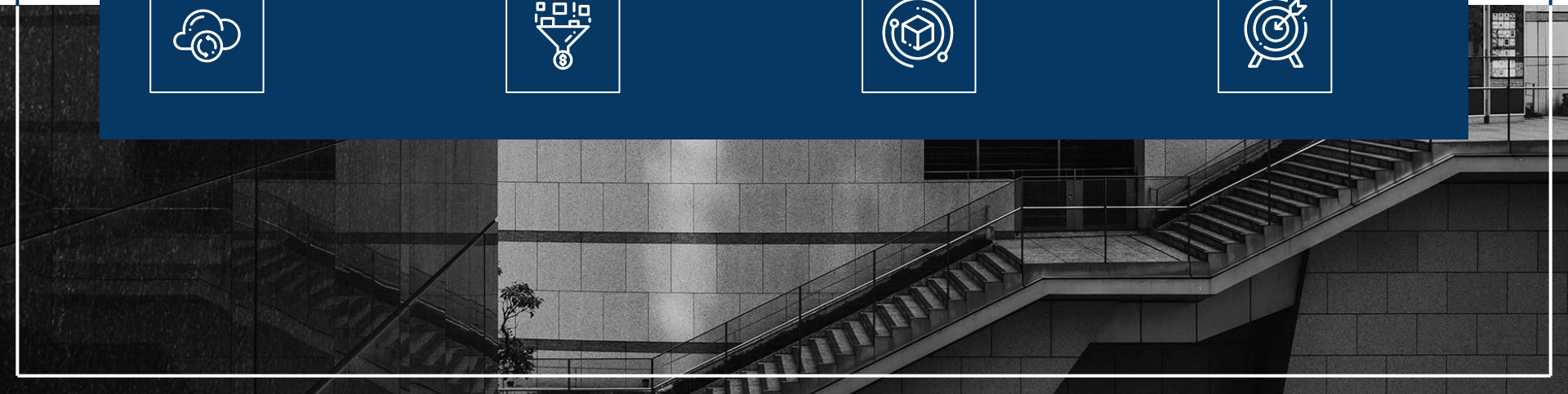
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Saturn has several rings

GOAL 4

Venus has a nice name



STRATEGY



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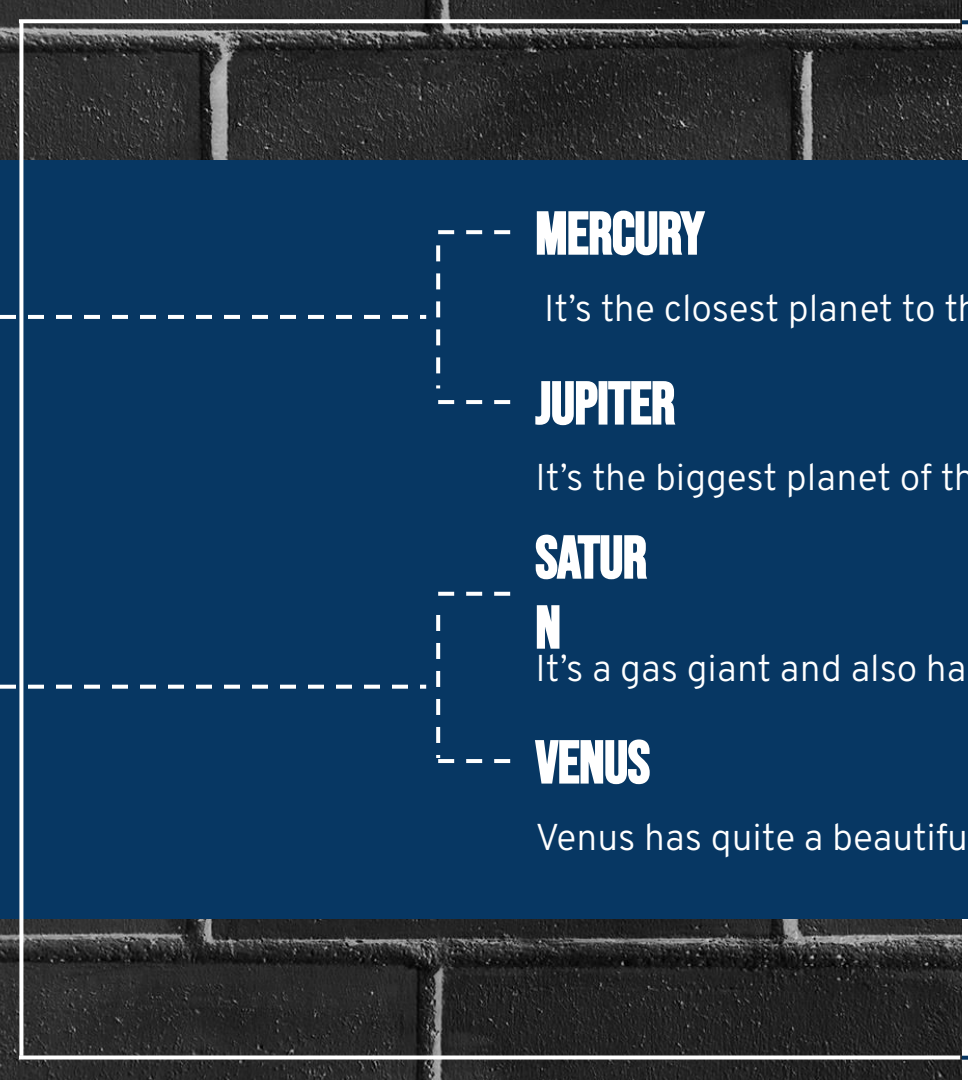
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KEY ACTION 1

Venus has a beautiful name

KEY ACTION 2

Earth is where we live on



MERCURY

It’s the closest planet to the Sun

JUPITER

It’s the biggest planet of them all

SATURN

It’s a gas giant and also has rings

VENUS

Venus has quite a beautiful name

STRATEGY

STRATEGY



GOAL

Saturn has several rings

KEY ACTION 1

Venus has a beautiful name

KEY ACTION 2

Earth is where we all live on

STRATEGY



MERCURY

It’s the closest planet to Sun



JUPITER

Jupiter is a gas giant



SATURN

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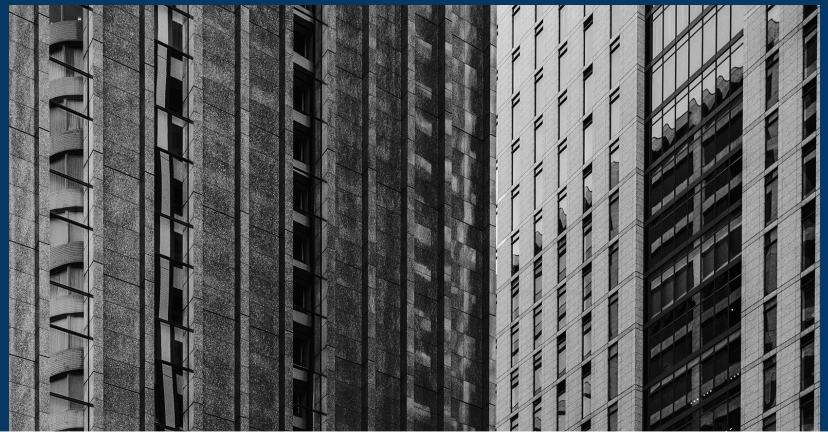


VENUS

Venus has a beautiful name

KEY ACTIONS

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OUR CREATION PROCESS



DAY 01

Venus has a beautiful name, but it’s terribly hot

DAY 02

Despite being red, Mars is actually a cold place

DAY 03

It’s the biggest planet in the Solar System

DAY 04

Mercury is the closest planet to the Sun

OUR CREATION PROCESS

DAY 01
Mercury is a small planet

DAY 02
Jupiter is a big planet

DAY 03
Venus has a beautiful name

DAY 04
Mars is actually a cold place



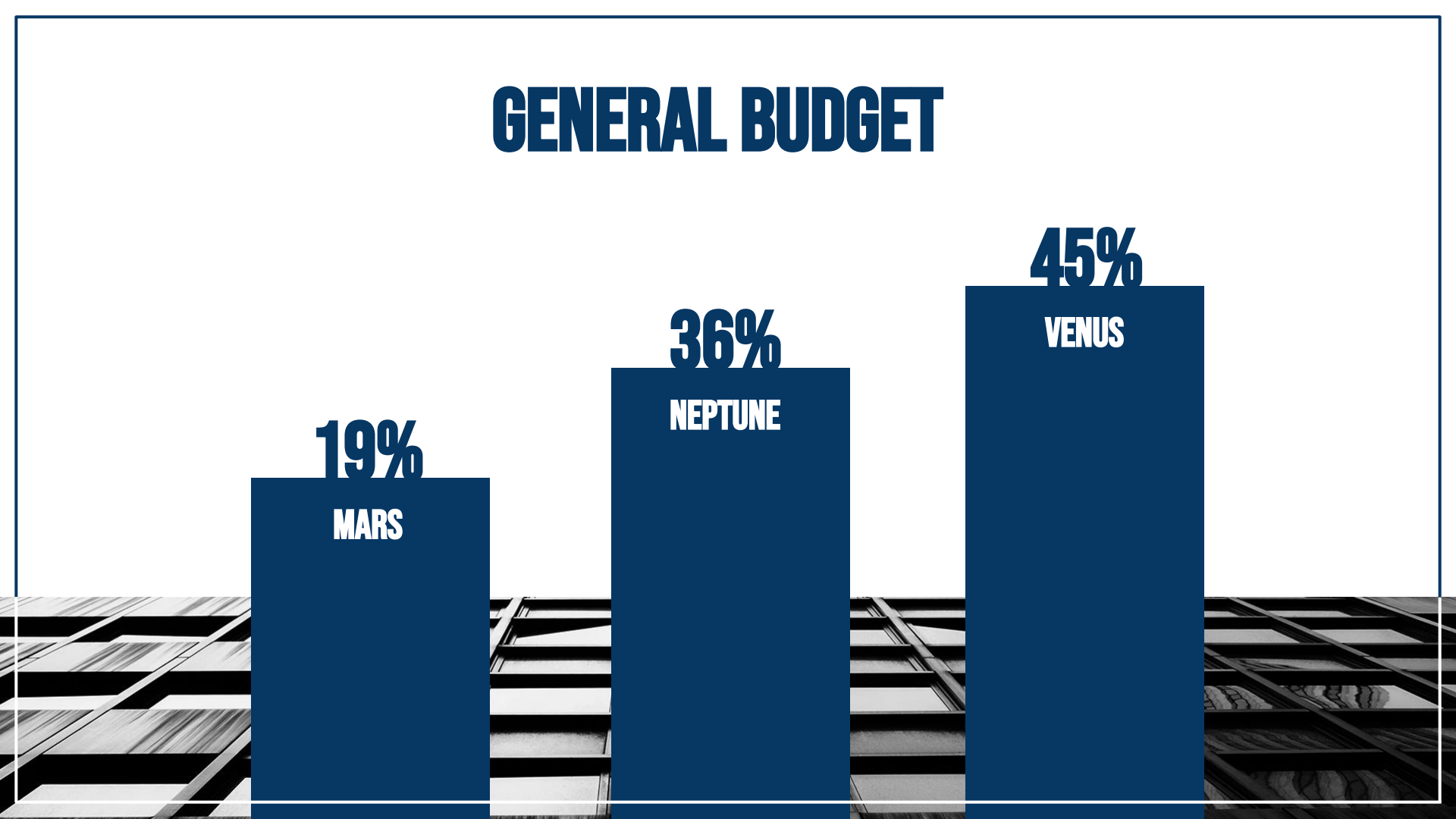
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GENERAL BUDGET



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Jupiter is a gas giant and also the biggest planet in the Solar System

45%
VENUS



36%
NEPTUNE



19%
MARS

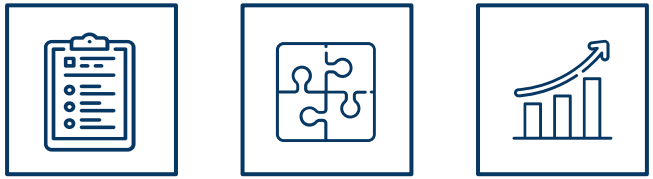


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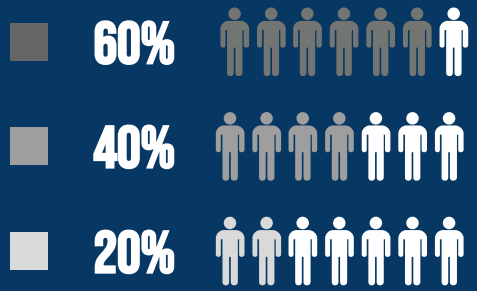
COMPLIANCE RATE



PRODUCTIVITY



KPI OVERVIEW



SATURN



30%

It’s composed of hydrogen and of helium

VENUS



20%

Venus has a beautiful name but it's very hot

NEPTUNE



60%

Neptune is the farthest planet from the Sun

JUPITER



80%

It's the biggest planet in the Solar System

OUR OBJECTIVES

VENUS

Venus is the second planet from the Sun

JUPITER

It’s the biggest planet in the Solar System

SATURN

Saturn is composed of hydrogen and helium

MARS

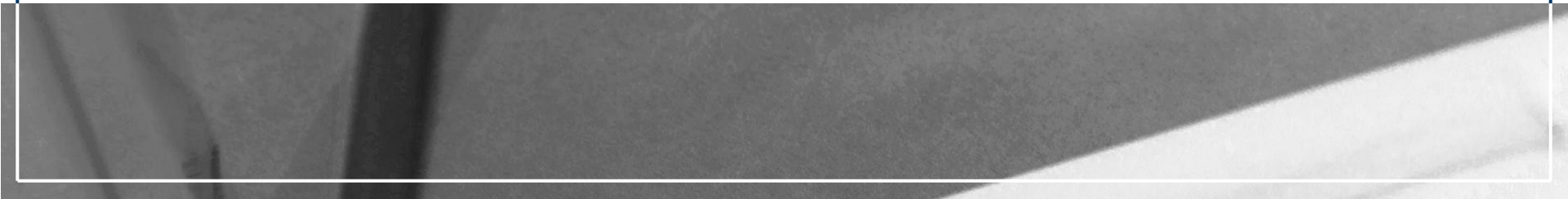
Despite being red, Mars is actually a cold place

NEPTUNE

It’s the farthest planet from the Sun

MERCURY

Mercury is the closest planet to the Sun



OUR OBJECTIVES



VENUS

Venus is the second planet from the Sun



JUPITER

It’s the biggest planet in the Solar System



MARS

Despite being red, Mars is actually a cold place



SATURN

Saturn is composed of hydrogen and helium



NEPTUNE

It’s the farthest planet from the Sun



MERCURY

Mercury is the closest planet to the Sun

MAP

Jupiter is a gas giant and also the biggest planet in the Solar System



MAP



Venus has a beautiful name, but its atmosphere is extremely poisonous

Despite being red, Mars is actually a cold place full of iron oxide dust

Mercury is the closest planet to the Sun and the smallest one

OUR TEAM



HELENA JAMES

Mercury is the closest planet to the Sun and also the smallest one in the Solar System

JOE JONES

Despite being red, Mars is actually a cold place. It’s full of iron oxide dust



OUR TEAM



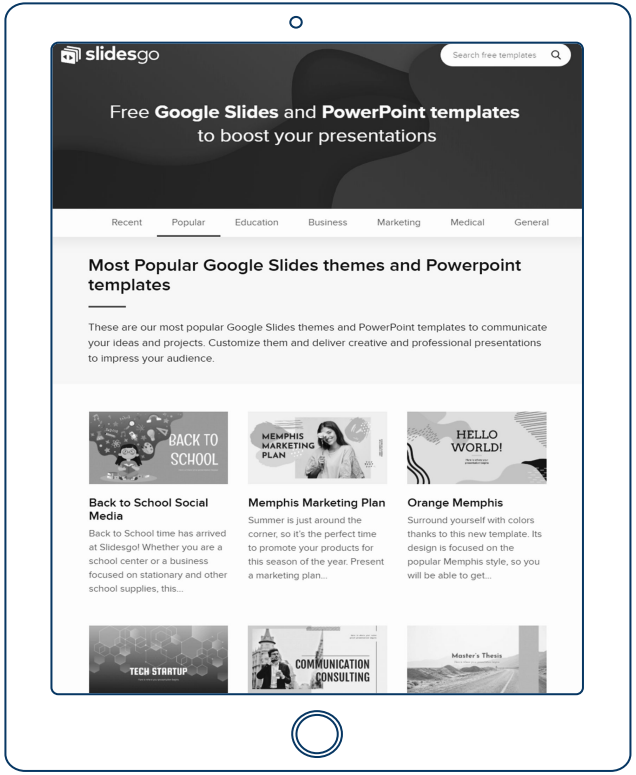
BRIAN MOONEY

Despite being red, Mars, the red planet, is a cold place. It’s full of iron oxide dust



KIMORA LONG

Mercury is the closest planet to the Sun and also the smallest one in the Solar System



ABOUT US

JUPITER

Jupiter is a gas giant and the biggest planet in the Solar System

NEPTUNE

It's the fourth-largest planet by diameter in the Solar System

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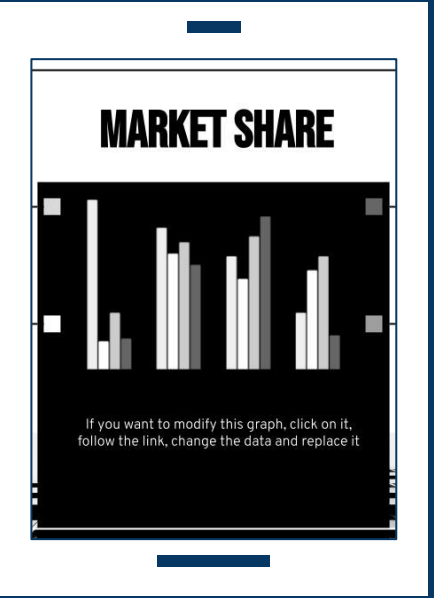


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- Office table with diagram
- Flat lay of wooden blocks
- Facade of high rise apartment building
- Splashing and bubbling azure water
- Group of young male architect working in office
- Close-up of two architect's hand with blueprint
- Flat lay of desktop with laptop and mouse
- Flat lay of work desk with coffee cup and magnifying glass
- Low angle view of tall buildings

RESOURCES

- Bottom view modern glass buildings
- Photographer working in his studio with photo strips
- Low angle glass high-rise building
- Snow covered beautiful mountain peaks with blue sky
- Front view hands typing messages on phones
- Man photographing women with phone
- Man showing a post on tablet to his friends
- Low angle view tall building and clouds
- Lot of windows office building
- High angle glass building design
- Transparent prism with rainbow
- Man taking photos with camera
- Modern high-rise building bottom view
- Low angle glass building with clouds
- Low angle design of modern building
- Flat lay of wooden block in stairs
- Top view of work space with laptop and copy space
- Black plastic bag close-up
- Minimalist texture surface background

ICONS PREMIUM PACK



ALTERNATIVE PREMIUM RESOURCES

- Skyscrapers with sunlight
- Glass building at sunrise
- Company office headquarters building with glass facade
- Modern buildings skyline view
- Office building
- New york city skyline
- Office building II
- Front view modern skyscrapers office buildings
- Happy african american young lady with documents near window
- Downtown business district building contemporary design
- Back view brunette woman expressing victory

PREMIUM RESOURCES

- Modern buildings skyline view
- Contemporary black building exterior
- Low angle view glass designed building
- Low angle glass high-rise building
- Modern building in urban area low angle
- Silhouette of a person's hand holding paper
- New york city skyline on cloudy day
- Low angle building secure view
- Presentation concept with business woman
- Corporate building with copy space
- Cityscape with high-rise buildings at dusk
- Teenage girl with green scarf over head
- Front view friends sitting on chairs
- Group of positive people working together
- Low angle corner of modern building
- Man building a pile of wooden boxes
- Business office buildings with glass facade
- Postmodern office buildings with glass facade
- Business team and manager in a meeting
- Colleagues in contemporary office coworking
- Full frame of white brick wall
- Abstract white marble background
- White cracked wall textured background
- Young man wearing eyeglasses using laptop
- Front view beautiful woman with a laptop
- Architectural structure in the city
- Medium shot happy men with smartphones
- Group of people with electronic devices

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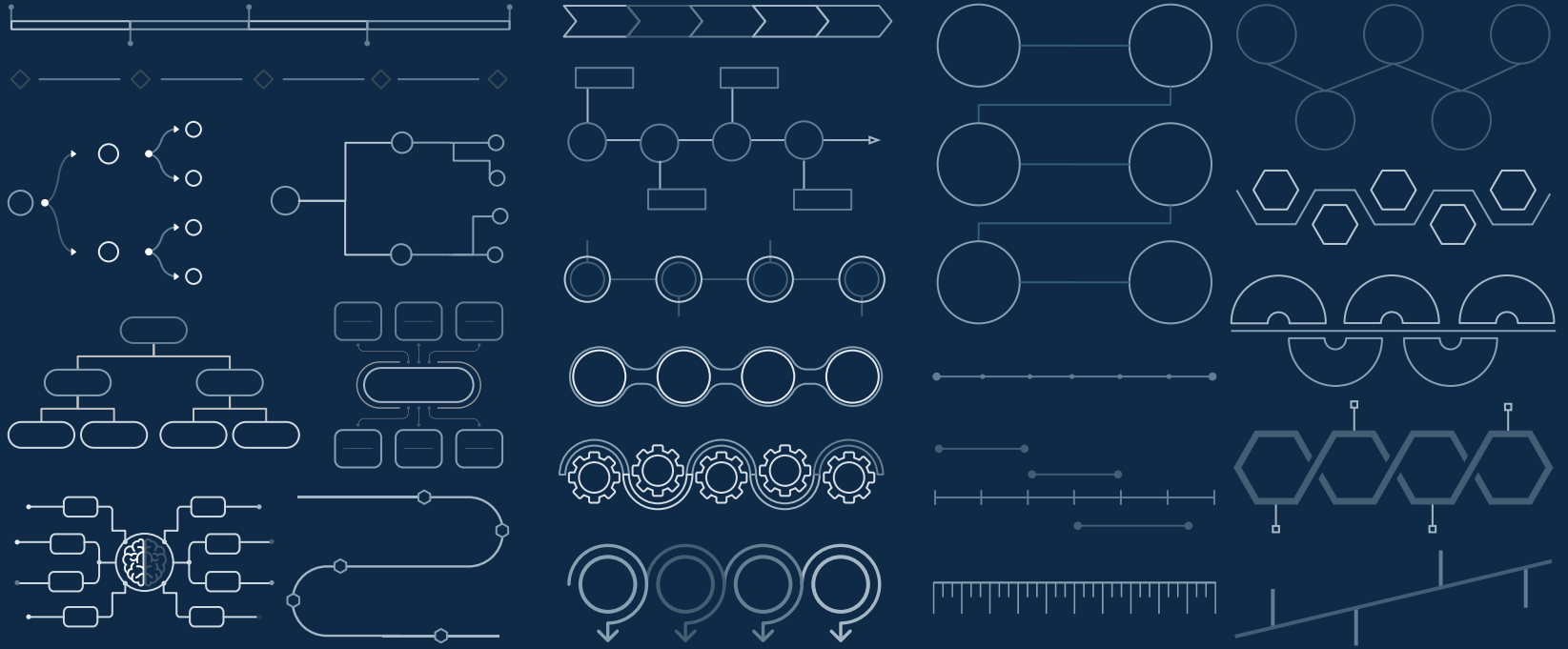
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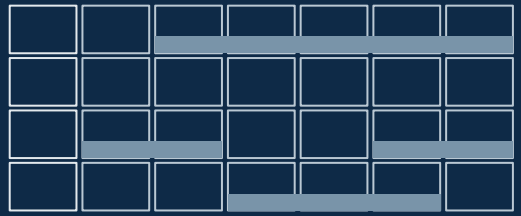


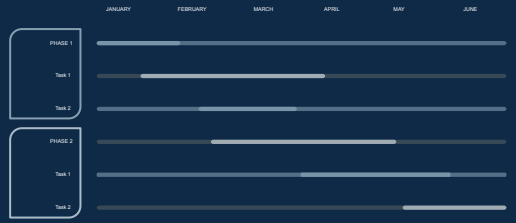


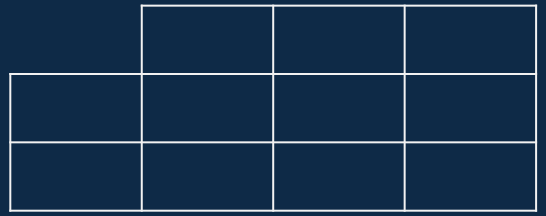


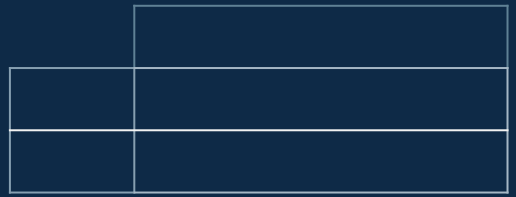


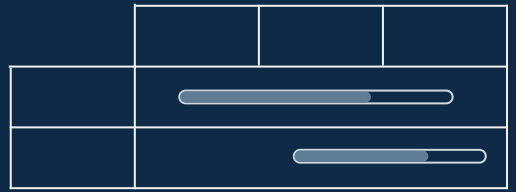



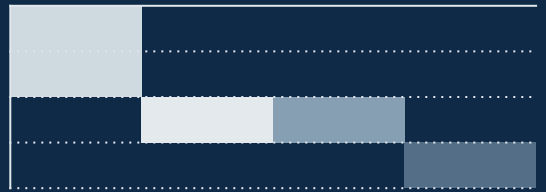



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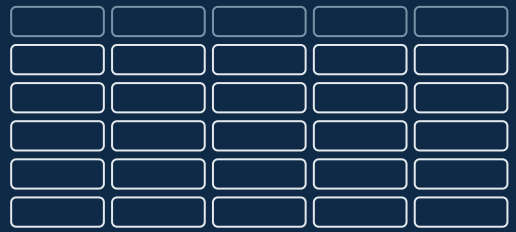


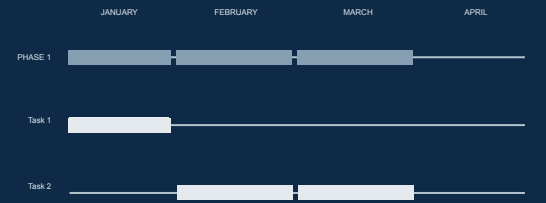




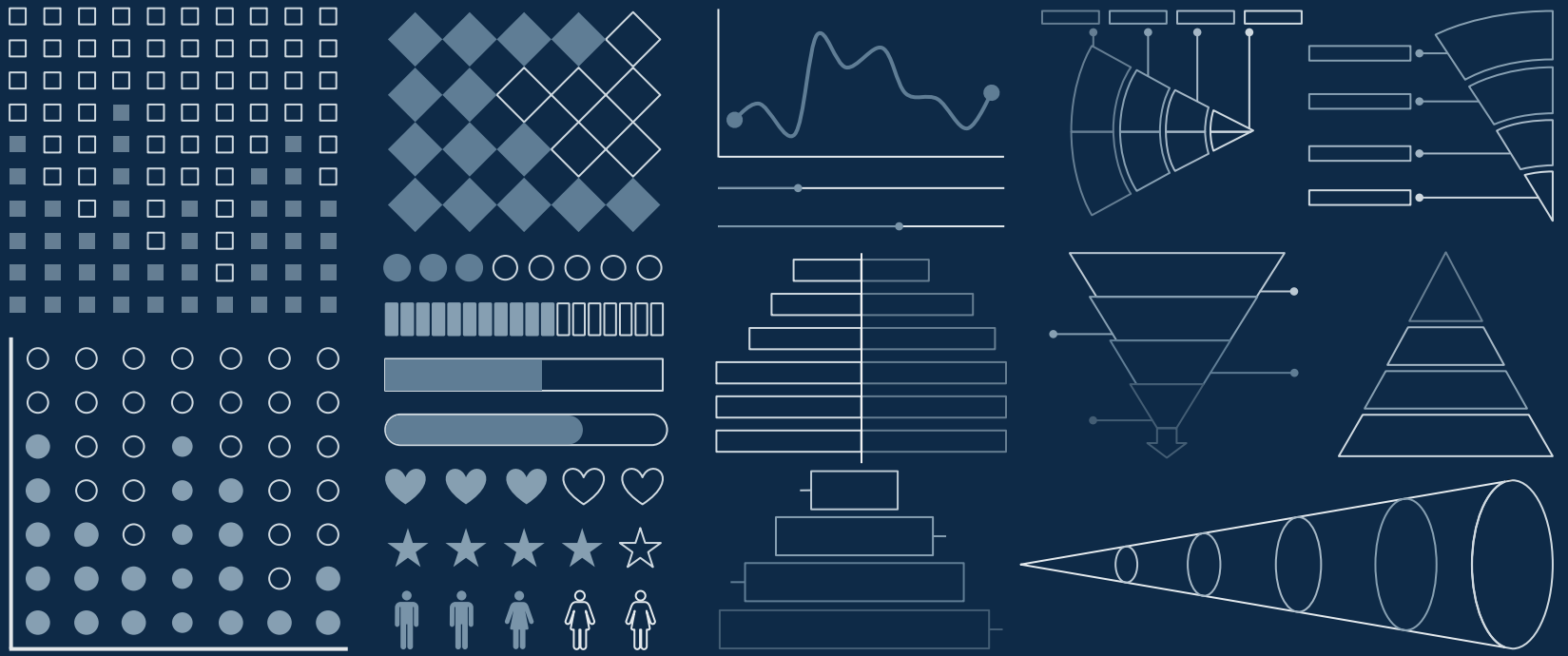







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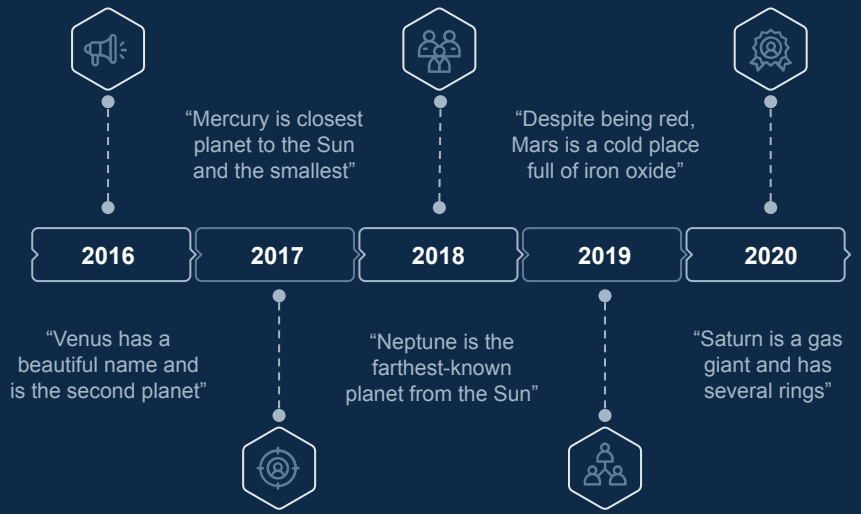


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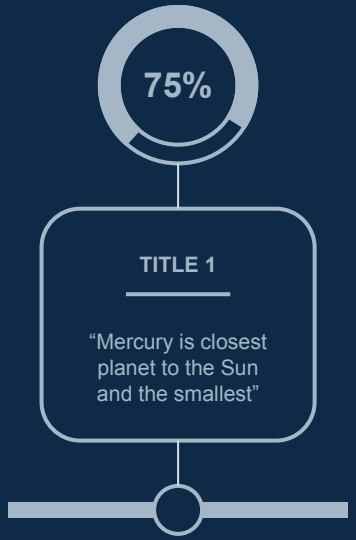


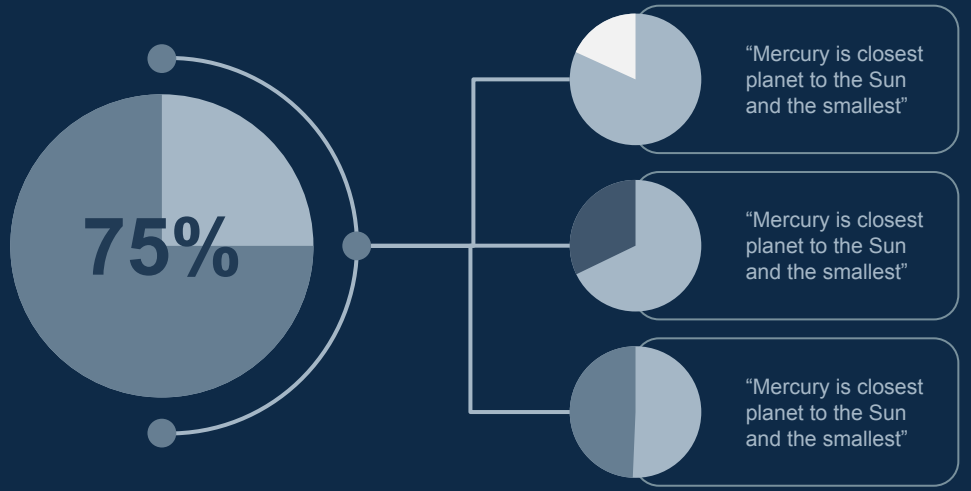
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