

Society of American Florists

# Training New Hires

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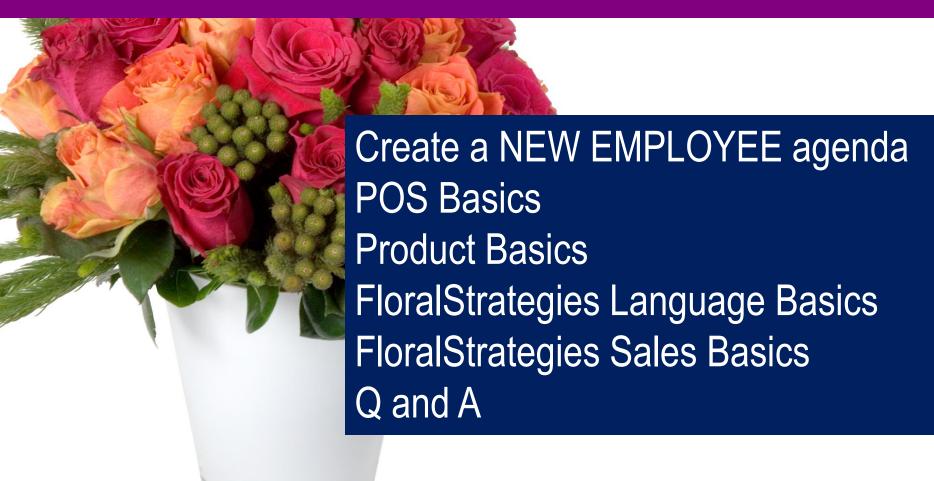








# Outline for today's workshop







## Create a NEW EMPLOYEE Agenda







### **Basic Sales Training**



### Overview

#### · New Thinking

Mantras to live by!

Cartoon 1: What really happens in your shop

Cartoon 2: Selling flowers like food

Forbidden Questions

#### New Selling

Sell by Size Magic formula for every SALE Finishing Touches Selling Roses

#### New Speaking

Cartoon 3: You control the sale The Power of Words Web Shopping

#### · Putting It All Together

Software Flow Chart Self-Monitoring Form

#### Additional Tools

Selling Gift Baskets by Size Sympathy Sales Avoiding Badjectives Avoiding Frankenorders

#### • Test Review









Working with the DESIGN team

Working with the SALES team

Working with the DELIVERY team





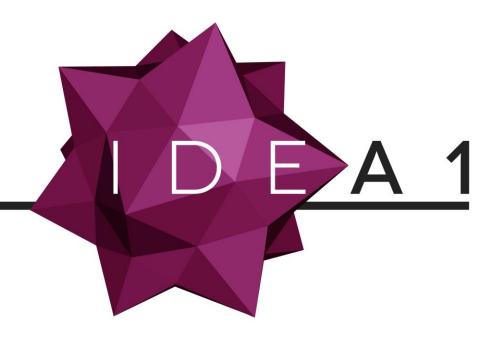




### POS Basics







Have them reenter old orders to get used to the system

Idea 2

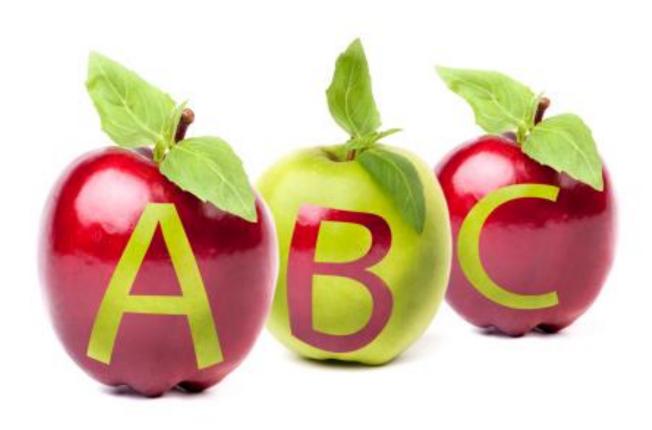
Create DUMMY orders, loaded with mistakes





Call your supplier for NEW resources

### **Product Basics**





Flowers (and their description)

Plants (and their description)



# Language Basics







Training 101	
What you used to say	What you are going to say
(vague & misleading)	(professional & courteous)
Do or Make	Create or Design
Nice Size	Small, Perfect for a Desk or End Table
Looks Nice	It's Beautiful or Lovely!
\$39.99	\$40 (easier to say and hear)
Filler	Accent Flowers
But	Leave Your But at Home!
A Nice Mix	Garden Flowers
Expensive or Pricey	Premium
Inexpensive or Cheap	Standard or Basic
That's \$65?	That's \$65.
Problem	Question
Our Delivery Costs	Our Delivery Charge is OnlyNow
	Where Would You Like to Send Flowers
	Today?
Hold, Please	May I Place You on Hold?
No Problem	Of Course! / Sure! / Easily!
Around, Starting at or From \$X	Small, perfect for a desk, filled with garden
, ,	flowers in spring colors, from \$XX to \$YY
	(use an exact price range)
Would you like?	I Recommend or I Suggest
Is that OK?	Give the Price then S.Y.P.H.!
Designer's Choice	We'll work with vibrant Spring colors, etc.
DEAD AIR (while you are typing)	Keep Talking!
We can do something in a nice size	We can create a medium size vase arrang-
for around \$50, \$60, \$70?	ment, perfect for a coffee table, filled with
	beautiful garden flowers in rich autumn colors
	from \$XX to \$YY.
	That happens to be our most popular size!

### Sales Basics





### Mantra 1

Ask fewer questions, give more advice

Mantra 2

Make shopping easier

Mantra 3

Don't be afraid to hear NO

Mantra 4

Never apologize about prices only educate customers



### What REALLY happens in your shop





**FACT** Most customers don't know what they want!

**FACT** Customers already perceive you as the expert!

**FACT** Customers will buy what you guide them to buy!







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JACKIE CINGALIA, Owner Boyd's Flowers Wilmington, DE

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