# developing retention for subscription businesses.

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# about me...

#### **Today**

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#### about smol.

"We don't need a handful of people doing zero waste perfectly. We need millions of people doing it imperfectly"



# what is sustainable success?

Not focussing on short-term payoff.

Instead, need long-term strategy dedicated to loyalty/

Number crunching to make smart decisions.

why is "subscription" is relevant to this presentation?

#### growth marketing...

- Marketing optimisation to grow customer loyalty
- Focus on the entire funnel
- Lots of experiments and testing
- Data-oriented.



# data insights > informed decisions.

Why email works well with growth methodology.

#### 1. Identify patterns

2. Refine strategies

3. Form relationships

# good experiments.

have a hypothesis

less bad, more good statistical significance

enable learning

test everything

# short-term VS long-term goals.

Don't forget the ultimate objective

Don't capitalise on cheap tricks

We want long-term growth

We want meaningful action

### holdout testing.



How do we know if we're having a *meaningful* impact?

#### A:

Benchmark those who didn't vs did receive a campaign.

#### segmenting and personalisation.

increased engagement

better conversion rates improved customer relationships

increased ROI

**DATA** 

# less pushy salesman, more helpful assistant.

segment focus on customer

benefits not features

#### focus on automation.

saves time, making activity scalable. making your activity more relevant to the reader

# To sum up...

To grow retention for a subscription business...

Make data-driven decisions.

Keep it personal.

Be ready for change.