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Welcome to the Marketing Bonanza, character of the MBA Marketing Club. We would like to have insights about this. You can share your perspectives, realities, suggestions, information, any interesting stuff in regards to advertising which could be published in our further releases on the mail id's made reference to beneath.

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## Marketing Bonanza

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## The 9 Best Marketing Articles of All Time, According to HubSpot's Marketing Team

One of the best ways to tell if a show or movie is worthwhile is if people never get tired of re-watching it. Whether it's the hit television show *Friends* or the classic movie *Forrest Gump,* most people never turn down an opportunity to watch Ross pivot his couch or witness Forrest develop into a ping pong celebrity -- even if they've already watched it 27 times.

Content marketing is in its infancy compared to television and film, but some of the best writers and publications in our industry have already crafted articles that we revere as the *Friends* or *Forrest Gump* of the space.

To pinpoint some of these articles and share them with you, I asked nine marketers at HubSpot what their favourite marketing article is and why. Check out the ones they read on repeat.

#### 1. What Creativity Looks Like in Marketing Today |

Harvard Business Review

**Recommended By:** Caroline Forsey, Staff Writer at HubSpot, Marketing Blog

#### Why She Loves It:

"It's tricky to choose a single marketing article as my favorite, but the one that has had a lasting impression on me is HBR's 'What Creativity in Marketing Looks Like Today'. Mark Bonchek and Cara France do a great job distilling the wisdom of senior marketing executives from dozens of top brands, varying from Old Navy to OpenTable. One of my favorite lines is this one -- 'People are the new channel. The way to amplify impact is by inspiring creativity in others'. Ultimately, I'm a fan of anything HBR, and this piece in particular is a good one to check out if you want to learn more about what top brands are doing to stand out in the industry today."

## 2. **SEO Is Back. Thank God.** | New York Magazine - Intelligencer

**Recommended By**: Braden Becker, Senior Staff Writer at HubSpot, Historical Optimization

## Trending in Marketing

- 1) Snapchat
  Introduces 3D
  Effects for Selfies
  Snapchat is
  introducing a
  new 3D
  camera mode that
  adds depth to
  photos taken with
  the front-facing
  cameras of certain
  phones.
- Campaign
  Optimization
  Scores
  Google has
  updated the
  Google Ads app
  with support for
  campaign
  optimization
  scores.

2) Google Ads App

**Now Displays** 

#### Why He Loves It:

"This article took a brilliant position on search engine optimization (SEO) and how search engines have stood the test of time as new channels break into a marketer's arsenal. Lots of articles assert the importance of SEO, but few of them consider the *implications* sites like Google have on how the public finds, consumes, and expects to see information online. The piece boldly defends the positive role ranking algorithms play in an industry that is often saturated with manipulation and clickbait. It's something both consumers and marketers can learn from, and I gained a ton of respect for New York Magazine after reading this.

3. 'We want these platforms to be healthy': Why top marketers won't quit Facebook after 2018 scandals | Digiday

Recommended By: Amanda Zantal-Wiener, Senior Staff Writer at HubSpot, News & Trends Why She Loves It:

"As someone who lives a 'double life' as a marketer and a tech writer, I found this article both intriguing and valuable. It explores Facebook's rocky year from an interesting lens: one that's of interest to those who live in the trenches of the tech industry and those who cover it alike. Throughout 2018, I studied and reported on the consumer sentiment toward and use of Facebook, despite these events. But it's important to ask an audience of marketers and growth companies the same questions. This article does a great job of that."

4. How to Become a Customer Acquisition Expert | Brian Balfour

Recommended By: Christina Perricone, Content Marketing Strategist at HubSpot Why She Loves It:

"Marketing has expanded into a field with countless designations -- simply calling yourself a marketer is no longer a sufficient response to the question, 'What do you do?' Balfour explains how to build yourself into an

## Trending in Marketing

3) Facebook gives
creators new
ways to build
audiences via
Stories, more
monetization
features

Collaborative
Stories let multiple
public figures to
contribute to a
single Facebook
Story.

4) Google Ads Offers
More Choices for
Automated
Bidding
Strategies
Google Ads is
expanding
its automated
bidding
solutions by giving
advertisers three
more options to
choose from.

indispensable, T-shaped marketer by layering your skills as you progress. This evergreen piece teaches us that marketers are experimenters, risk takers, and problem solvers, proving that nearly anyone has the propensity to be successful in this field if they have the patience to build and stick to a plan. It's a gem for any marketer who is struggling to determine their path."

5. An Incomplete Guide to Inclusive Language for Startups and Tech | Buffer Recommended By: Karla Cook, Editor & Team Manager at HubSpot, Marketing Blog Why She Loves It:

"This is article is a must-read for anyone who creates content. It's a reminder that the seemingly inconsequential choices we make about language on a daily basis actually hold a lot of power. Creating content with inclusive language in mind can seem tricky or even silly to some (especially when the word choices seem minor), but this article poses the question: why not just try?"

6. Why Marketing Analytics Hasn't Lived Up to Its Promise | Harvard Business Review Recommended By: Josh Chang, Senior Marketing Manager at HubSpot, Analytics & Paid Acquisition Why He Loves It:

"I love this article because while everyone knows marketing analytics is important, HBR illustrates the many challenges of doing marketing analytics right so that it has a significant impact on the overall business. Many companies suffer from having too much data and not knowing what to do with it. But if you have the right data, systems, processes, and people in place, you can better ensure that marketing analytics isn't wasted and has a tangible and positive impact."

7. 4 Lessons We've Learned, Sometimes the Hard Way, About Inclusive Marketing | Think With Google

## Trending in Marketing

5) Google Makes Big
Change to
Nofollow,
Introduces 2 New
Link Attributes
Google is evolving
the nofollow link
attribute and
introducing
additional
attributes to help
Google understand
the nature of links.

6) Google
Introduces New
Structured Data
for Movie
Carousels
Google is rolling
out a new type
of structured
data to help
movies appear in
new dedicated
movie carousels.

## Recommended By: Sammi Kim, Associate Marketing Manager at HubSpot, Leadership Rotational Program Why She Loves It:

"Written by the SVP of Global Marketing at Google, this article speaks to the importance of inclusive marketing. I was impressed by how the first lesson was that the diversity among marketers at Google directly impacted their marketing campaigns. And based on the article's third lesson on the importance of excluding stereotypes from marketing campaigns, I strongly believe that having diverse marketing teams will help run more nuanced, empathetic campaigns."

# 8. Reflecting on My Failure to Build a Billion-Dollar Company | Medium - Startups Recommended By: Nate Medina, Associate Marketing Manager at HubSpot, Leadership Rotational Program Why He Loves It:

"I love this article because it tells the intimate story of a founder who had ambitious dreams, but ultimately, didn't pan out the way he expected. In the pursuit of trying to create a billion-dollar company, however, he learned that success isn't just about money. It's about creating something you're truly interested in rather than something that you chase revenue with."

9. The Strange Thing That Happens In Your Brain When You Hear a Good Story -- And How to Use It to Your Advantage | HubSpot Marketing Blog Recommended By: Clifford Chi, Junior Staff Writer at HubSpot, Marketing Blog Why I Love It:

Don't worry, this isn't a shameless plug of one of my blog posts or even of HubSpot. Last year, Joe Lazauskas and Shane Snow, marketing executives at Contently, wrote a book called The Storytelling Edge and they promoted it by releasing one of the book's chapters on our marketing blog.

Anyways, this is my favourite marketing article because it uses neuroscience to prove that storytelling is much

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7) Microsoft's Responsive Search Ads Now Available to All Advertisers Microsoft is opening up its responsive search ads beta to all advertisers. Advertisers without a dedicated Microsoft Ads account team can join the beta by filling out this form.

more than a trendy buzzword. In their excerpt, Joe and Shane weave in compelling psychological and neurological evidence into a narrative about how storytelling is the best way to capture people's attention, bake information into their brains, and forge close, personal bonds. And in an industry where 5% of branded content attracts 95% of attention, their article makes you realize that content marketers can't just write listicles and ultimate guides anymore. We must tell gripping stories.