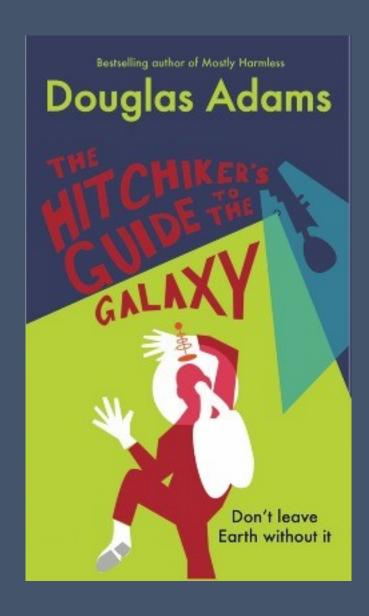
# The Social Imperative





How do you decide to buy a book?





How do you decide to watch a film?



"Extremely funny . . . Inspired lunacy . . . over much too soon." -The Washington Post Book World

Seconds before the Earth is demolished to make way for a galactic freeway, Arthur Dent is plucked off the planet by his friend Ford Perfect, a researcher for the revised edition of The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy who, for the last fifteen years, has been posing as an out-of-work actor.

Together this dynamic pair begin a journey through space aided by quotes from The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy and a galaxy-full of follow travelers.







Frequently Asked Questions About Time Travel Trailer - Out on DVD NOW

What you do on social media is your...

... 'personal brand' book's back cover!

...own trailer!



Our personal brand is our business.

So, we are all in the B2C business!



The communications landscape has changed forever.

## Organizations communicate with people

...via advertising (one-way communication)

...via journalists (one-way communication)

# Now, organizations communicate with people... directly.

And, it's a two-way communication!

# People in an organization communicate with people directly too!

## As business leaders,

beyond influencing your organization and peers (that you are directly in touch with),

you now have an opportunity to build and nurture your own image.

Without filters.

## How?

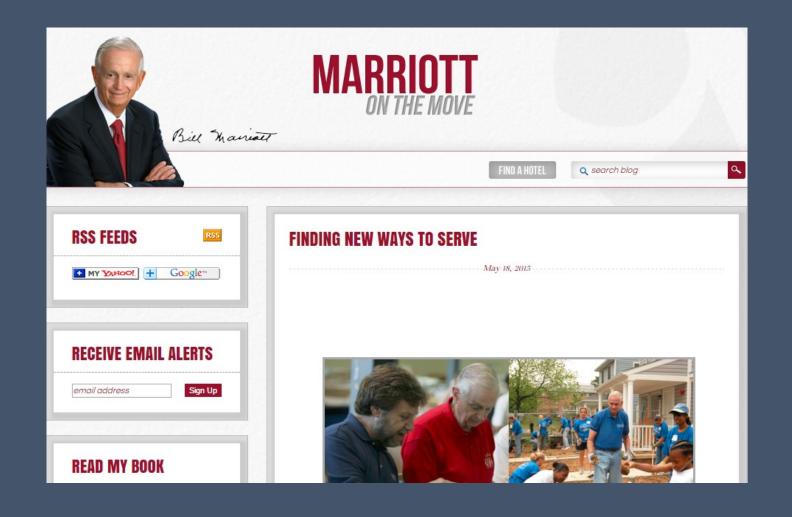
By expressing your thoughts and points of view on social media.

## But it is not easy.

Prepare for it as if an audience is waiting for you to start speaking from a stage.

## Inspiration?





### **Bill Marriott**

Executive Chairman and Chairman of the Board Marriott International, Inc.

#### Themes

- 1. Marriott properties
- 2. Personal, emotional stories
- 3. CSR efforts
- 4. Organizational culture
- 5. Willingness to learn

#### **Platforms**

6. Blog







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Peggy Fang Roe



David

Beebe

Connecting with

Kathleen Matthews Elevating Creative + Content the Mission



Marriott Putting People First



Erika Alexander Mentoring as Leading



George Corbin Wolfgang Lindlbauer Strategic Be the Journey's Tastemaker



Amanda Waks Conversation Generation



Craig Smith David Rodriguez Exploit the Wellbeing Differences Matters



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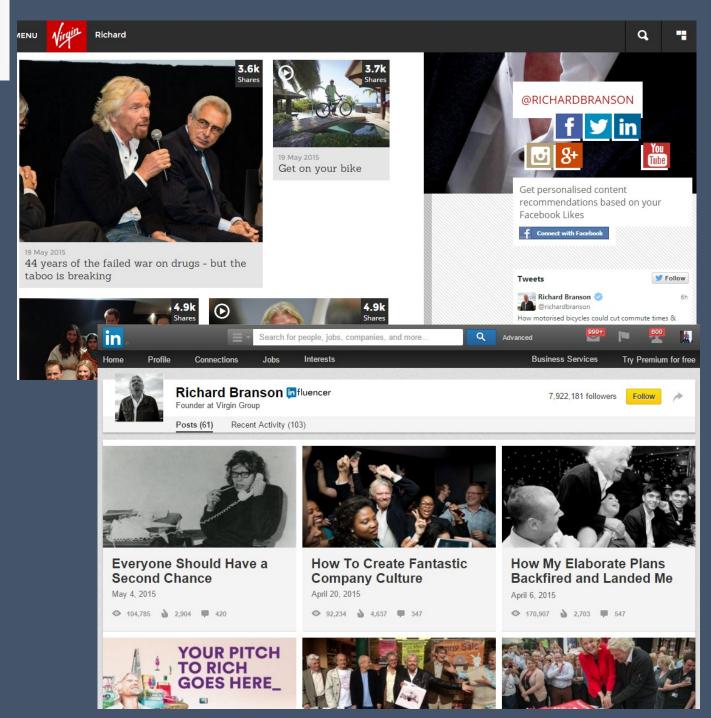




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Richard Branson
<do you really want me to add
his designation?>

Themes <you name it, it's there!>

### **Platforms**

- 1. Virgin blog
- 2. LinkedIn
- 3. Twitter





Anand Mahindra
Chairman and Managing
Director, Mahindra Group

#### Themes

- 1. All-things-Mahindra
- 2. Topical things he has a pov on
- 3. Normal. Human things he does!

### **Platforms**

4. Only Twitter!















#### The Kiruba incident

Hrush Jun 16, 2009

81 responses

About a week ago, a Twitter user, @kiruba, posted a status update with a link to a post he created on the Cleartrip Forum. His Twitter update said:

ClearTrip.com took my money and DID NOT book my ticket to Malaysia. Had a harrowing experience at airport. http://is.gd/TtH6

Within a short period of time, 40 new Twitter status updates were posted. Some were simply 'retweeting' Kiruba's update; while others were demanding explanations, crucifying Cleartrip or pushing their own personal agendas.

As a customer-centric company, we are on Twitter to help our customers. We're also a company that places a very high premium on being transparent and honest with our customers; and this blog post is a blow-by-blow explanation of everything that happened here.

We'd like to state at the outset that we're not holding anything back here and even though there were various parties that contributed to the screw-up, we took complete ownership for resolving our customer's problem. That said, here goes...

As soon as we noticed Kiruba's original post, we swung into action. We apologised to Kiruba on Twitter and informed him that we were looking into the issue immediately.

Q Search the blog





10826 followers

#### Recent Posts

Cleartrip now supports Now Cards from Google

More power to you on Cleartrip for Windows Phone

Mobile traffic surpasses Desktop on Cleartrip (Quarterly Mobile Insight for Q4'14)

Cleartrip gets a makeover on Mobile Web

Presenting Cleartrip for Apple Watch

#### Cleartrip on Twitter

RT @Satyajeet: This sums it up brilliantly:) #Google #Nest via @sampullara http://t.co/VwHTwxD66C

@sksinhakr Also, we are working to get the offer redemption option on Windows app.

1 year ago

Hrush Bhatt Founder, Cleartrip

Themes & platforms None! Not active on Twitter and not on LinkedIn!

But... is active, when needed, hands-on on Cleartrip blog!



Thought-starters to kick-start!

Think of your personal brand as a magazine. How will you fill 'your' pages? How often?

## Mine?

- 1. Social media, communications
  - 2. Parenting
  - 3. Music, movies
  - 4. Science fiction
- 5. E-commerce, digital disruption

What are the 4-5 themes you'd want to be known for, sought after?



5-step thumb rule



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