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HOW TO TELL YOUR STORY SO THE WORLD LISTENS?

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Storytelling?



Startup with Storytelling

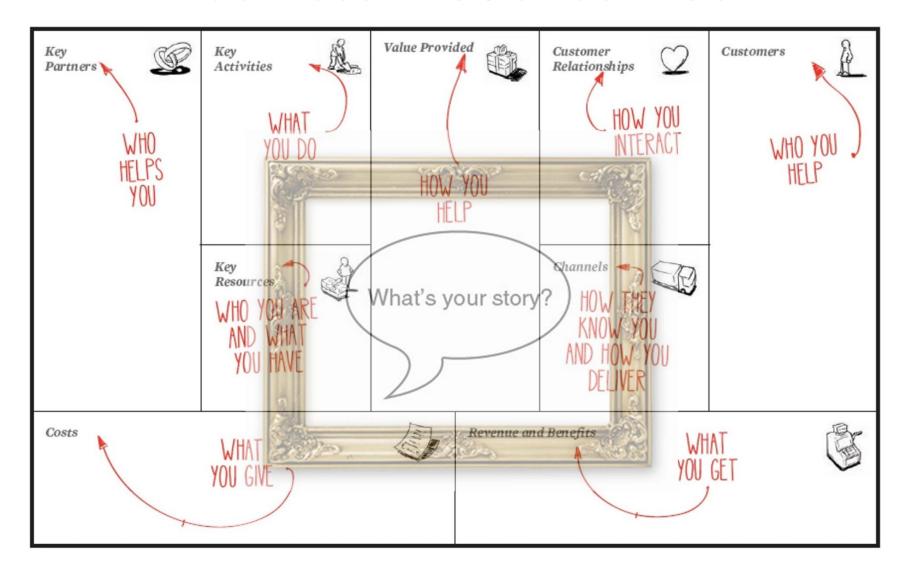
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WHY STORYTELLING FOR STARTUPS?

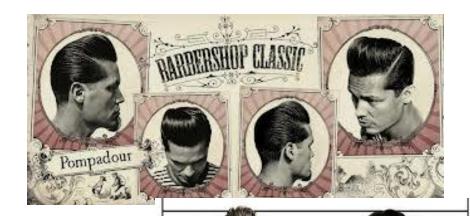


Business Model Canvas







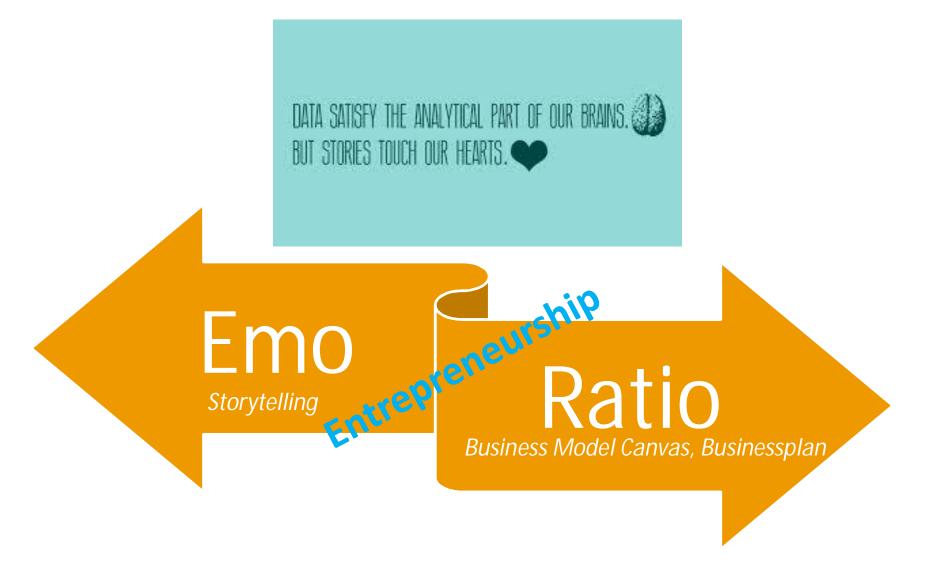


Schorem haarsnijder en barbier









Cfr. Kahneman, D. (2011) *Thinking, fast and slow*.



Mirror neurons

important for understanding actions of others and learning new skills by imitation

'brain-to-brain-coupling'





Storytelling – why?

To increase CREDIBILITY

To CONVINCE people

- You need a BUSINESS PLAN
 - Data
 - Facts
 - Graphs
 - Analyses

- You need
 - A good STORY!!!
 - Remark:
 - The protagonist can be a person, but also a brand, a concept, a starters idea



A good story

Characteristics

- Authentic
- Specific not abstract
- Coherence
- Calls upon emotion/ is told with emotion
- Is a sense making system



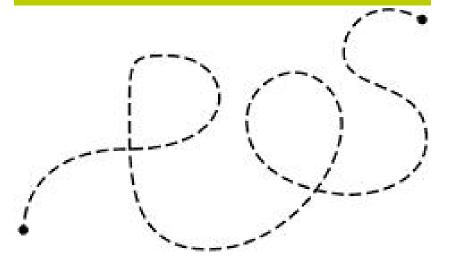
Narrative elements

- Beginning middle end
- Context
- Protagonist
- Antagonist
- Storyline
- Plot
- Obstacles and helpers



The iron law of storytelling = framing

Crucial for any startup...



The Power of Storytelling

is to sell THE IDEA of the startup

- Sell the idea before execution!
- Guide your audience / target group in logical - intuitive progression from a problem to the solution.
- Frame your argument so that you eliminate possible solutions until the only solution is yours



Callas marmelade







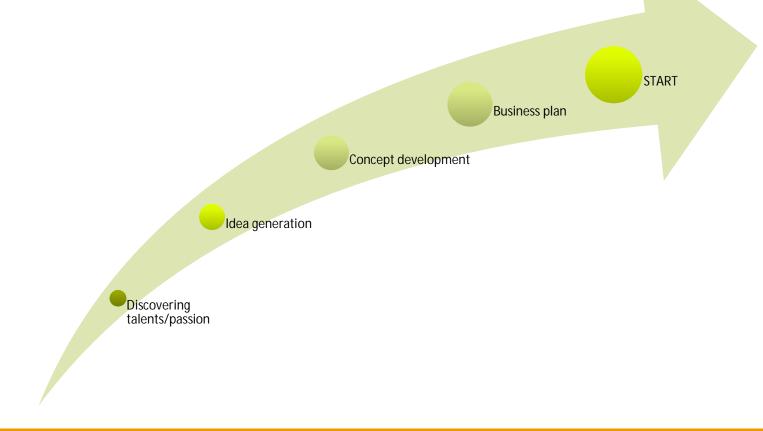


APPLIED RESEARCH PROJECT



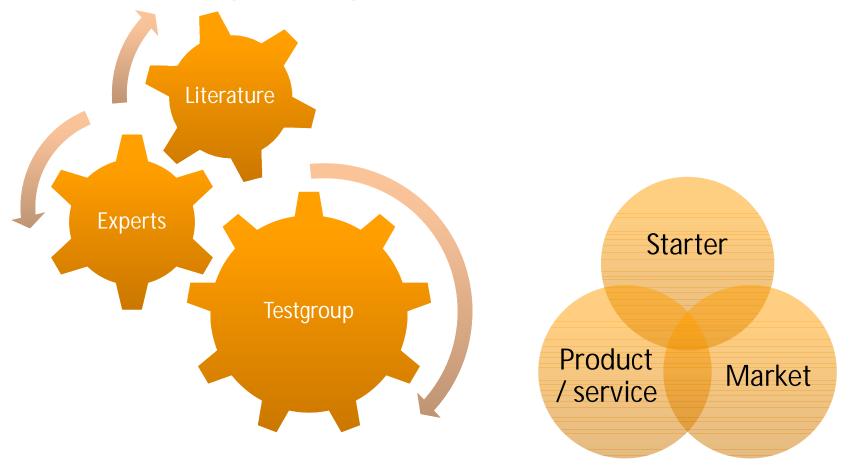
Research question:

In what way can storytelling as a methodology support prestarters during the development of the the startup?

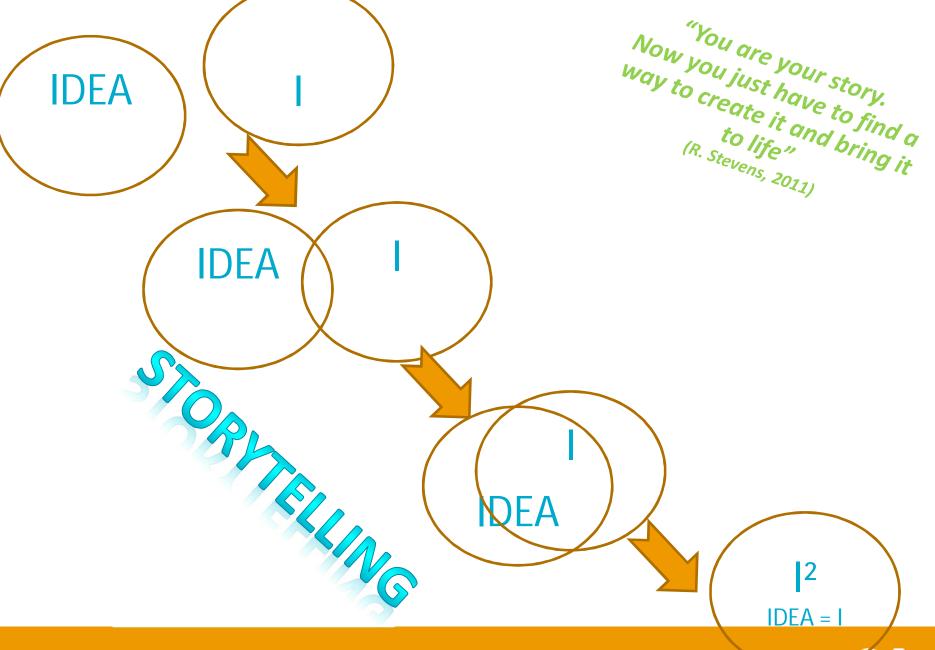




The hedgehogprinciple: the focus!









Design research

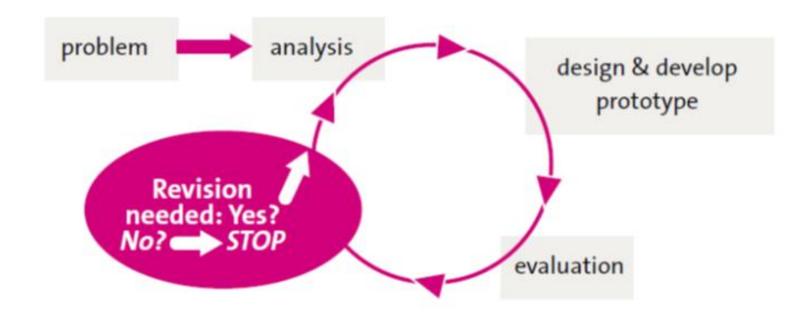


Figure 1: Iterations of systematic design cycles

Bron: Plomp & Nieveen, 2013



Design research

Reeves (2006) depicts the design research approach as follows:

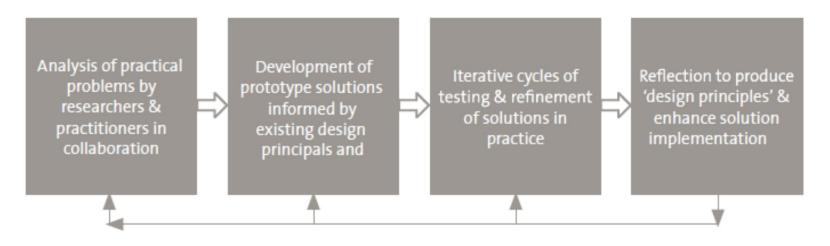


Figure 2: Refinement of problems, solutions, methods, and design principles (Reeves, 2000, 2006)

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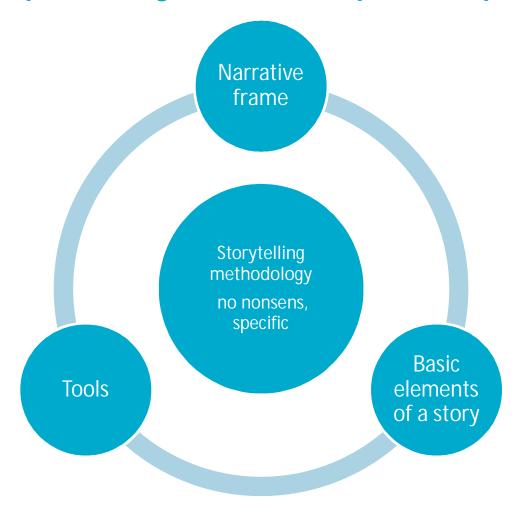


Design research





Workshop: 1 day, max 10 participants





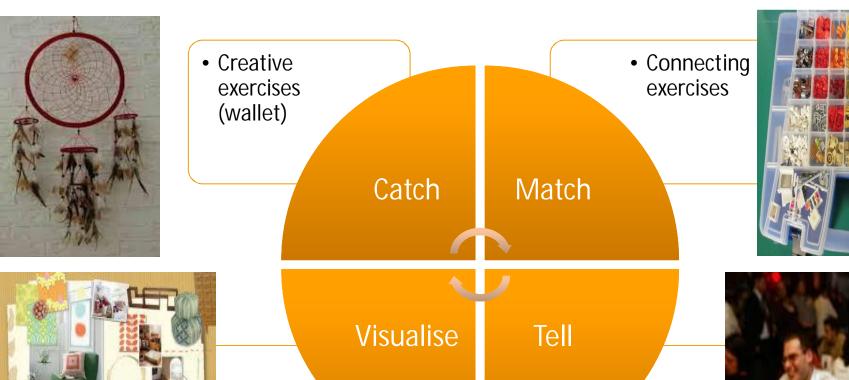


WORKSHOP + TRAIN THE TRAINER



Building blocks of the workshop

GATHER, ORGANIZE, AND ANALYZE THE DETAILS



moodboard



Pitch





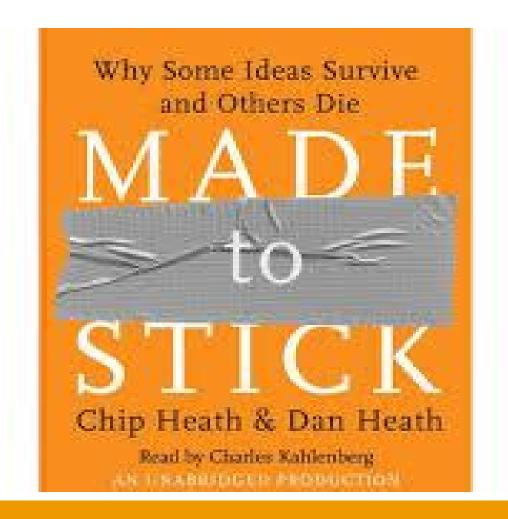


Secret 1: connect with people



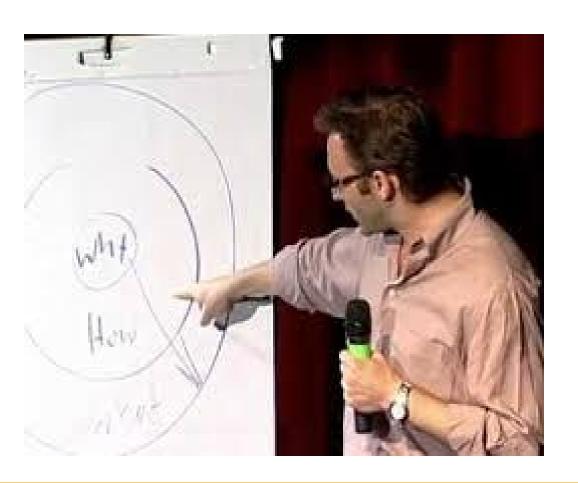


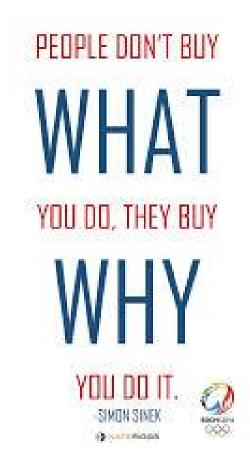
Secret 2: the stick factor





Secret 3: the golden circle









STORYTELLING... A NEVERENDING STORY?



A new research project

- Entrepreneurship -> intrapreneurship
- "How to apply for a job with storytelling" >for 55+

- Integrate in other projects
 - Generation mix (ESF)
 - Ethnic entrepreneurship (ESF)



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Valorisation in the workfield

- Train the trainer
- Coaching counselors, consultants
- Student Entrepreneurs program (ACCIO)



Other applications

- Leadership
- Change management at all levels (individual, team, organisation, society)
- Context of social economy, social and cultural management
- Research methodology for social workers
- Communication skill in the curriculum



"The true alchemists do not change lead into gold; they change the world into words."

~ William H. Gass





