# Adaptive selling essay 

## ASSIGN BUSTER

Although this was his first job, Matter was enthusiastic because he believed that he had learnt a lot about Ace products during his training period. However, at the end of his month in the field, Matter was disappointed. He had followed all the selling " steps" suggested by his trainers but he did not seem to be getting anywhere with the doctors and chemists in his territory. Often he had to wait for a long time to meet the doctors who ran private clinics.

He was not sure if doctors were prescribing Ace products because chemists seldom ordered even the popular Ace drugs.

Matter wondered if he needed more experience. At the end of the second month, Amateur's comfort with his job had not improved, so he spoke to his field manager who suggested that Matter spend a couple of days traveling with Gait Paler, the star Ace MR. in the Punk region. At first Matter was pained at the idea of traveling with another MR.
who was almost his own age and had worked for just over a year at Ace, however he decided to give it a try and requested his field manager to speak to Paler and fix up a joint visit the following day.

Shortly thereafter, Paler name up to Matter and informed him that they could meet at a popular restaurant at Ferguson College Road at 9. 30 am the next day and set out on the round together. The next day, the ; o MRS. finished a leisurely breakfast of idle and suburban- Veda, and proceeded on Paleface's motor cycle for the first call which happened to be a chemist shop in Staunching. Just before reaching the store, Paler stopped his bike, alighted and took off his tie, folded it carefully and put it into his briefcase.

The store had just opened and Mr..

Shanghai, the proprietor was relatively free. Paler introduced Matter and immediately started talking to Shanghai about a Marital play Paler had seen the previous evening.

The conversation about the play continued as the chemist made his own observations about the acting, the sets and the lighting. Matter was waiting for Paler to steer the talk to pharmacy products and was surprised that there had been no discussion of business till then. Finally the conversation about the play ended and Paler mentioned a new drug that had been introduced by Ace, and highlighted a few of its features.

Matter was dumbfounded at the sequence of events, they had spent almost 15 minutes in the shop and yet Paler had hardly talked about the products for more than a couple of minutes. Even more amazing, as they were about to leave, Matter heard Shanghai tell Paler that he would place a trial order for there new drug with the Ace distributor salesman who was to visit the shop later that day. The next call was to Dry.

Shrimps Kale an orthopedic surgeon Jeannine Hospital about 10 minutes away. Paler had stopped before he reached the hospital and had worn his tie again.

After registering their particulars at the hospital security staff, the two MRS. waited in the lobby till they were escorted to Dry. Kale's office by his personal assistant Mr..

Madman. On the way up to Dry. Kale's third floor office, Matter was surprised to hear Ballpark's conversation with Madman. Paler was enquiring if Madwoman's daughter had adjusted well to her new nursery school. Before they reached Dry.

Kale's office, Paler pulled out some product brochures from his briefcase and handed them over to Madman with a brief introduction about each product.

He also left a sample off new Ace product. Matter could not believe what he was noticing. It had seemed to him that only doctors made decisions about drugs, but here was Paler actually promoting to a non-medical assistant. The MRS.
got only two minutes with Dry. Kale who was due to undertake an arthroscopic surgery shortly. The doctor asked a few questions about the new Ace drug before leaving. As he left, he said" Leave your sample and brochures with Madman". On the way back to the lobby, Paler stopped off to see Madman again.

I think Doctor will prescribe this new drug. You can call me next week to find out if he needs any more information". The next call was to an office in the basement which housed the purchase section of the hospital. At the entrance to the office, Paler ran into a nurse whom he greeted by her first name- Mary. Matter was again surprised to hear Paler speak to Mary in a friendly way and enquire if she had had a good trip to Koalas in Kraal.

