

# Chapter 6 (part 1)

## Source, message and channel factors



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# Persuasion matrix

	Independent variables: The communication components				
Dependent variables: Steps in being persuaded	Source	Message	Channel	Receiver	Destination
Message presentation			(2)		
Attention	(4)				
Comprehension				(1)	
Yielding		(3)			
Retention					
Behavior					

# Persuasion matrix

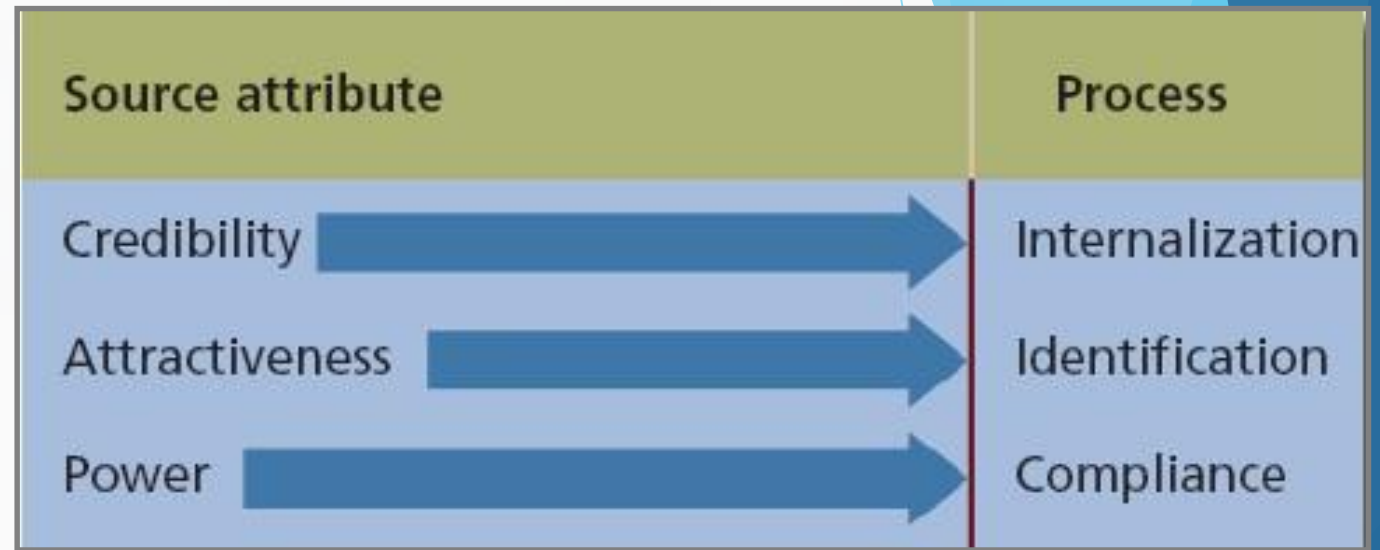
- ▶ Receiver/comprehension
  - ▶ Can the receiver comprehend the ad?
- ▶ Channel presentation
  - ▶ Which media will increase presentation?
- ▶ Message/Yielding
  - ▶ Which type of message will create favorable attitude or feelings?
- ▶ Source/attention
  - ▶ Who will be effective in getting consumers' attention?

# Source Factors

- ▶ A *source* refers to a person involved in communicating a marketing message, either directly or indirectly.
  - ▶ Direct Source: Spokesperson who delivers a message and/or endorses a product or service.
  - ▶ Indirect Source: Doesn't actually deliver a message but draws the attention and/or enhances the appeal of the ad.

# Source Factors

- ▶ Sources may be
  - ▶ Knowledgeable
  - ▶ Popular
  - ▶ Physically attractive
  - ▶ Typify the target audience
  - ▶ Have the power to reward or punish the receiver in some power

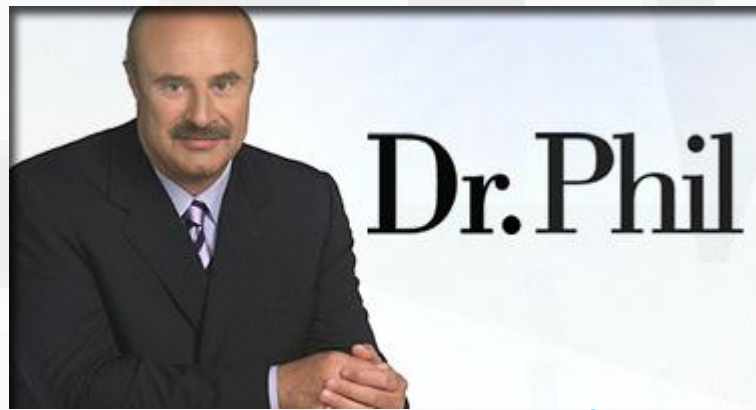
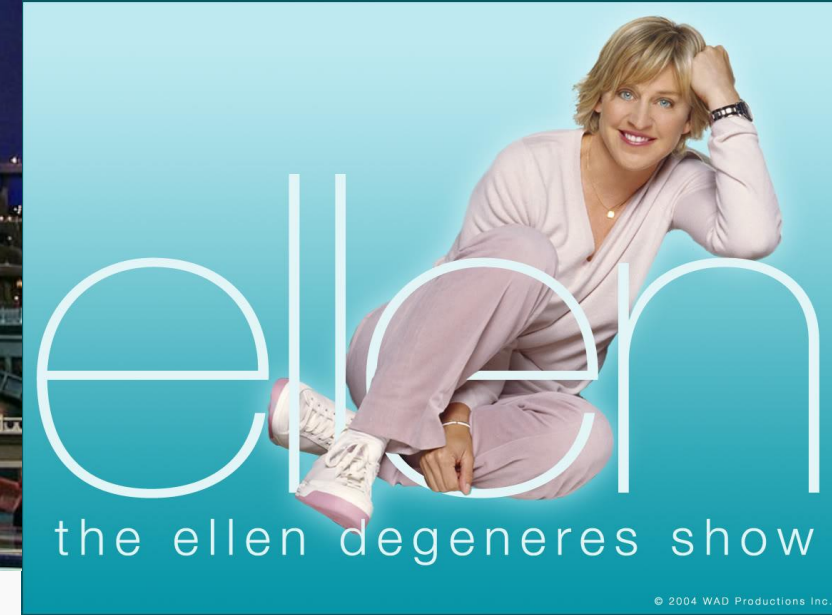


# Source credibility

- ▶ Expertise

- ▶ May cause **internalization**, which means that the receiver adopts the opinion of the credible communicator since he/she believes information from this source to be accurate.

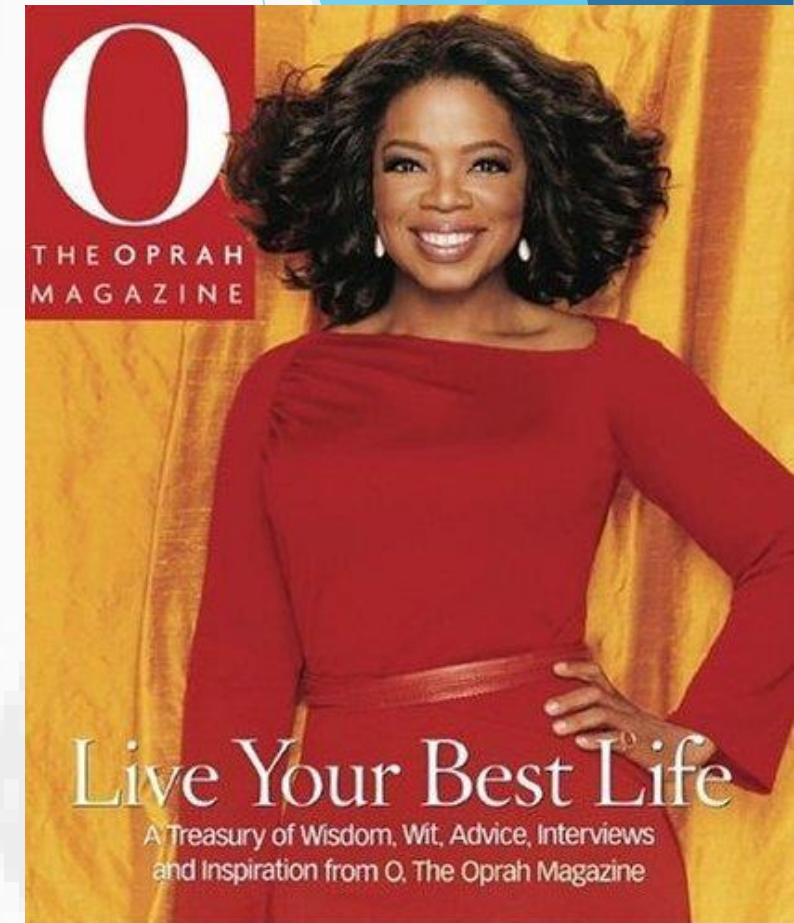
- ▶ Trustworthiness





# Applying expertise & trustworthiness

- ▶ Marketers use communicators with high credibility
- ▶ Many trustworthy figures hesitate to endorse products because of the potential impact on their reputation and image



# Corporate leaders as spokesperson

## ▶ Advantage

- ▶ The ultimate expression of the company's commitment to quality and customer service

## ▶ Disadvantage

- ▶ Image of the company falls with the CEO's image
- ▶ A popular CEO may capture the company with his/her popularity and the company might fall after he/she leaves





# Source attractiveness

- ▶ **Similarity:** Supposed resemblance between the source & the receiver of the message
- ▶ **Familiarity:** Refers to the knowledge of the source through exposure
- ▶ **Likability:** An affection for the source as a result of physical appearance, talent, and/or personality.

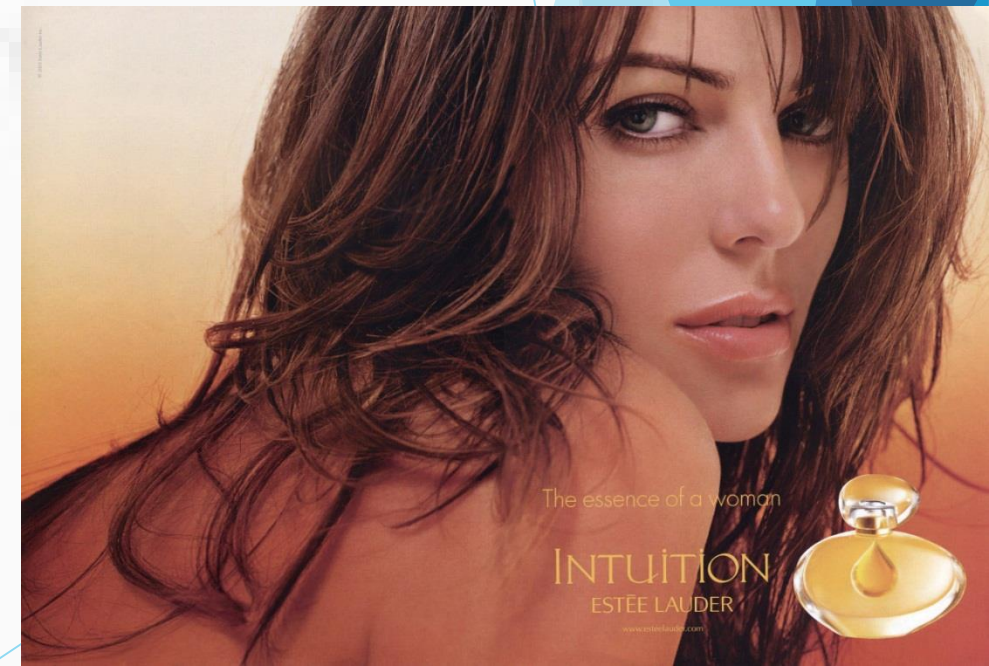


# Applying similarity

- ▶ Companies select salespeople whose characteristics match well with their customers
  - ▶ Maria Sharapova with Nike women
- ▶ Also used to create a situation where the customer feels empathy for the person shown in the commercial
  - ▶ Budwiser Campaign

# Applying likability

- ▶ Advertisers aim to use spokespeople who are admired by the people.
- ▶ In U.S.A, the use of celebrities is highest in athletic products, fashion apparel and cosmetics



# Risk of using celebrities

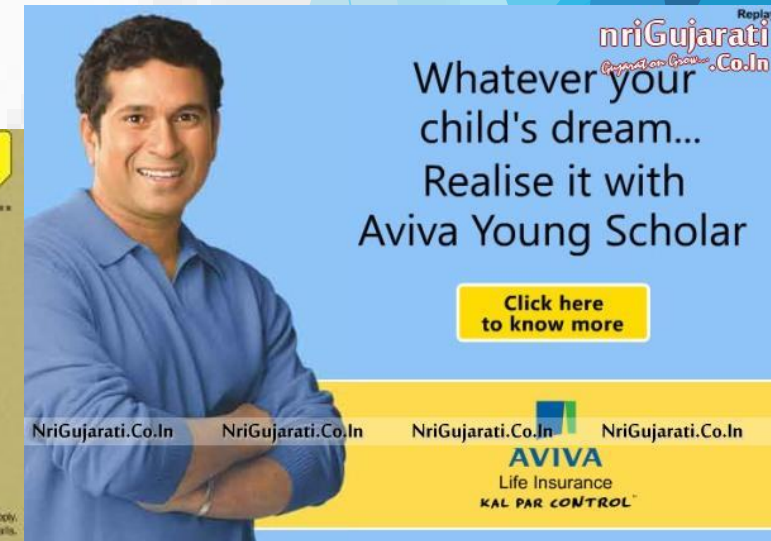
- ▶ Overshadowing the product
  - ▶ Consumers may put too much attention on the celebrity and loose focus on the brand
    - ▶ Celine Dion in 'Drive & Love' campaign for Chrysler
    - ▶ Angelina Jolie in St. John





# Overexposure

- ▶ Consumers are often skeptical of endorsements because they know that celebrities are being paid
- ▶ Occurs when a celebrity endorses too many brands





# Target audience receptivity

- ▶ How the celebrity matches with the target audience and how he/she is received by the target audience.
  - ▶ Grameenphone
  - ▶ Knorr soup

# Risk to the advertiser

- ▶ The behavior of the celebrity may be associated with the brand name
- ▶ Scandals of celebrities used to endorse a brand may lead to bad image of the brand and pose risk to the company
- ▶ To avoid these incidents, companies do an in-depth background study of their celebrities and add moral clause to their contract.

# Return on investment

- ▶ The celebrities must be able to bring the ROI to the company.
- ▶ Audiences must find a develop a strong association between celebrity and their brand.
- ▶ Companies now-a-days are giving unique incentives to the celebrities such as a stake in the company



# Celebrity endorsement

Company endorsement = Target audience = Celebrity personality

# Choosing celebrities

- ▶ Product/service of brands
- ▶ Image of celebrities
- ▶ Cost of acquiring celebrities
- ▶ Trustworthiness
- ▶ Risk of controversy
- ▶ Familiarity
- ▶ Likability





Thank you