





## **#ActionAcademy Overview**

- Week 1 Oct 17<sup>th</sup>: Identifying Your Biggest Barriers to Action & Choosing Creation over Consumption
- Week 2 Oct 24<sup>th</sup>: Expectation Management + Solutions People Need
- Week 3 Oct 31<sup>st</sup>: Owning Your Expertise, Experience and Unique Voice
- Week 4 Nov 7<sup>th</sup>: Motivation versus Inspiration Surviving the Long Haul
- Week 5 Nov 14<sup>th</sup>: What to DO, First, Next, Forever The Tasks
- Week 6 Nov 21<sup>st</sup>: Going Pro and Ways to Level Up in 2018
  - Private invite via email to apply for Best of You 2018, delivered via email!

# WHY ACTION?





## Overview: Online Biz & Leveling Yourself Up

- How can people know who you are and what you do if you don't tell them? And often.
- Trust versus numbers business
- Content Marketing ('Inbound Marketing')
- Two things required to help others:
  - 1. Connection/empathy/authenticity
    - "People don't care how much you know until they know how much you care."
  - 1. Authority/competency
- Consistency (trust-building tool)
- You cannot rest on your expertise. You have to show people:
  - 1. You are human
  - 2. Your unique voice



#### A Success Mindset Acts in the Face of Discomfort

- Your fears around putting yourself out there:
- "But I'm a nobody."
- "I don't know what to write."
- "I have no time."
- "Everything has already been said."
- "What if I get haters and trolls?"
- "What will my peers think?"
- "What will my friends and family think? No one supports me."
- "I don't have enough credentials."



#### Mindset Shift #1: Am | Qualified?

- The Person Who Has the Right to Do It Is the One Doing It
- What is an expert?
  - The 3 E's
- The As-If Principle
- Confidence-Competency Loop
  - "I need to feel more confident."
  - Which comes first: expertise or act.....
  - How do you get into the loop?
  - Indecision is a decision too
- "Do anything different right now."





#### Mindset Shift #1: Am I Qualified?

- The Person Who Has the Right to Do It Is the One Doing It
- Your Homework:
  - Make a list of at least 10 things you could teach someone right now within your field
  - Skills, abilities and experiences
  - Q&A style, cocktail party scenario\*



## Mindset Shift #2: Is There Anything Left to Say?

- Abundance vs. Scarcity Mindset
- Ideas are endless: new or old in a new way
  - The way you say what you say, your unique voice (next week)
- The Perfect Message-to-Client Matching System
  - You can't be vanilla anymore
- Draw a line in the sand
  - Pivot to be different
  - Conviction of your message (are you watered down?)
- Cannot be a "me too" business unique take on a concept
  - Books, podcasts, Twitter, "contrast content" start here



# Mindset Shift #3: Comparison Trap

- Move from Consumer → Creator
- Creators don't do other people's programs people do theirs
  - How do you come up with new ideas?
- Overwhelm and paralysis as a result of looking around
  - Don't compare your day 1 to other people's year 5
- The "formula" is not repeatable it's unique and you get to create it
  - Be the friend (empathy)
  - Be the teacher (authority)



# Mindset Shift #3: Comparison Trap

- Move from Consumer → Creator
- Business mindset versus consumer mindset
  - Gathering research versus following for content
- Homework:
  - Unfollow at least 10 accounts/people that when you read their stuff you get overwhelmed or feel defeated



## Mindset Shift #4: Mess-up as Fast as Possible

#### ■ Fear of failure

- "What if I mess up? What will people think? I'll look like an idiot, I'll be ridiculed."
  - Realize you always have choices and nothing is un-doable
- Flexible versus rigid mindset: "If you want to do something for the rest of your life, you don't give up after 4 months."
  - Managing expectations
- Get your first negative experience as fast as possible
  - Trolling, haters, unsupportive family members, judgment, etc.
  - Builds resiliency and conviction, have the full experience

# Mindset Shift #4: Mess-up as Fast as Possible

- Paralysis of Perfectionism
- Tools:
  - 1. Take the emotion out of it
  - 2. Failure Expectation
  - 3. Resiliency Training ('The Obstacle Is the Way')
  - 4. Practical Pessimism
- Fear of success?

#### Week #1: Homework

- Make a list of at least 10 things you can teach someone right now:
  - Your skills, experiences/stories, abilities
- Unfollow at least 10 accounts/people
  - Ones who make you feel defeated, insecure or overwhelmed
  - Unsubscribe from distracting email lists
  - Choose to become obsessed with your own stuff over curious about others (Reality Show syndrome?)

#### **Week #1: Critical Mindset Shifts to Make**

Next week: More mindset and more HW;)

## **Questions?**