



A photograph of a workspace setup. A silver laptop is open in the background, showing its keyboard and trackpad. In the foreground, a white notebook with horizontal ruling lies on a dark wooden surface. A black Precise V5 pen rests on the notebook. The lighting is warm and focused on the objects.

COGNITIVE SKILLS IN SALES

What does the Word
'KOGNITYVINIS'
mean ?

**Being, or involving
conscious
intellectual activity**

**Includes thinking,
reasoning, or
remembering**



A set of mental abilities

Part of every human action we do when we are awake

Brain-based skills



We need them to carry out any task

We use them in all tasks from the simplest to the most complex



We need not be overawed by them

We can learn

- **What** they are
- **How** they make a difference
- **How** to learn them in a good way
- **How** to use them
- **How** to make them part of us in a more effective way



Imagine ...
your phone rings ...



When we pick up
a simple call ...
we use a range of
**KOGNITYVINIAI
ĮGŪDŽIAI**



SPOT THE COGNITIVE SKILLS

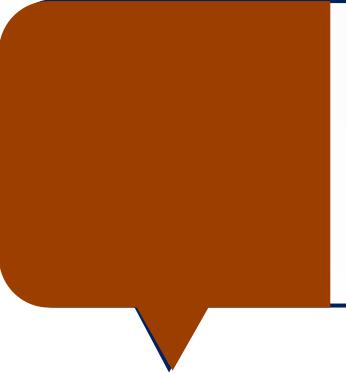
THE ANSWERS SUMMARISED

#	TO....	#	WE USE THIS COGNITIVE SKILL MENTIONED BELOW
1	Hear the ring tone	B	Perception
2	Make up your mind to answer or not	C	Decision taking
3	Swipe the screen to accept	E	Motor skill
4	Say Hello and understand the language used	A	Language
5	Listen on and sense the mood and need of the caller	F	Emotional Intelligence
6	Have a meaningful conversation	D	Communication

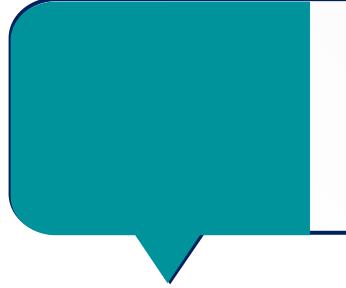
Why Today's Sales demands Cognitive Skills

SALES IS CHANGING . . .

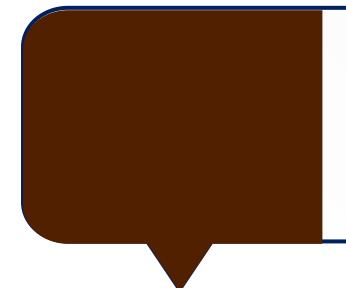
and needs more and more Thinking ability



Sales was always thought to be some knowledge, some people skills and some great communication

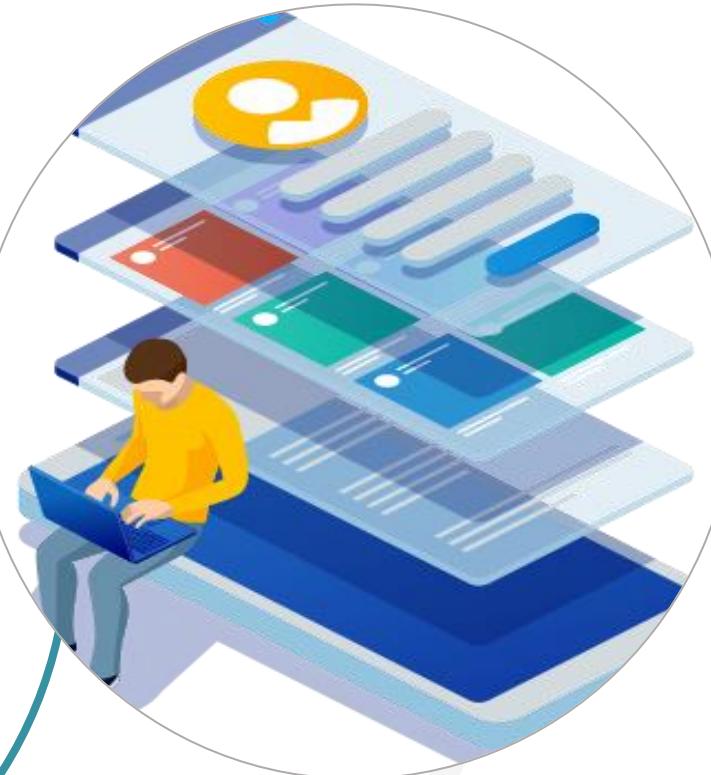


Not valid any longer



The role of the salesperson is getting transformed

4 Trends Redefining Sales



1

WIDESPREAD ACCESS TO **INFORMATION AND KNOWLEDGE**



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international



2

**WIDE RANGE OF
CHOICES FOR
CUSTOMERS**



MERCURI
international



3

TRANSACTION SALES VS. COMPLEX SALES

DATA DRIVEN DECISIONS

4



so. . .



Salespeople need
to be **sharper** and
better in thinking

A large, semi-transparent silhouette of two people in an office environment is overlaid on a background of a city skyline at night, composed of numerous small, colorful pixels.

Salespeople need
to give **insights**
and not just
information



Salespeople should become **reliable advisers** who can guide customer's choices better

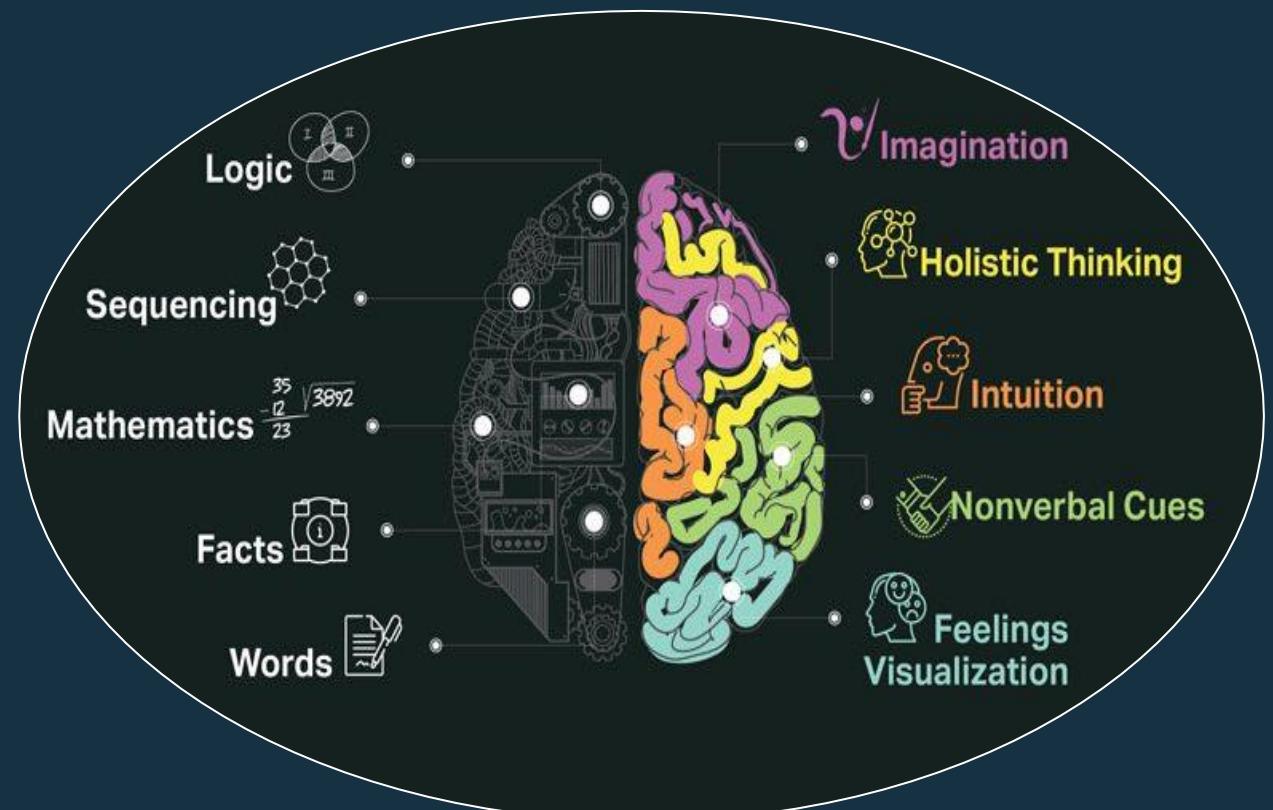


Salespeople should
**understand, use,
communicate,
and interpret data**

A close-up photograph of a person's hands playing a game of chess. The hands are positioned over a dark wooden chessboard, with white pieces visible in the foreground. The background is blurred, showing more of the chessboard and the player's hands.

Sales people need to be
able to solve problems,
analyse issues, visualize
possibilities, discuss
insights, use logic and
emotions together
**build and
communicate
value**

SALES TODAY DEMANDS HIGHER COGNITIVE SKILLS



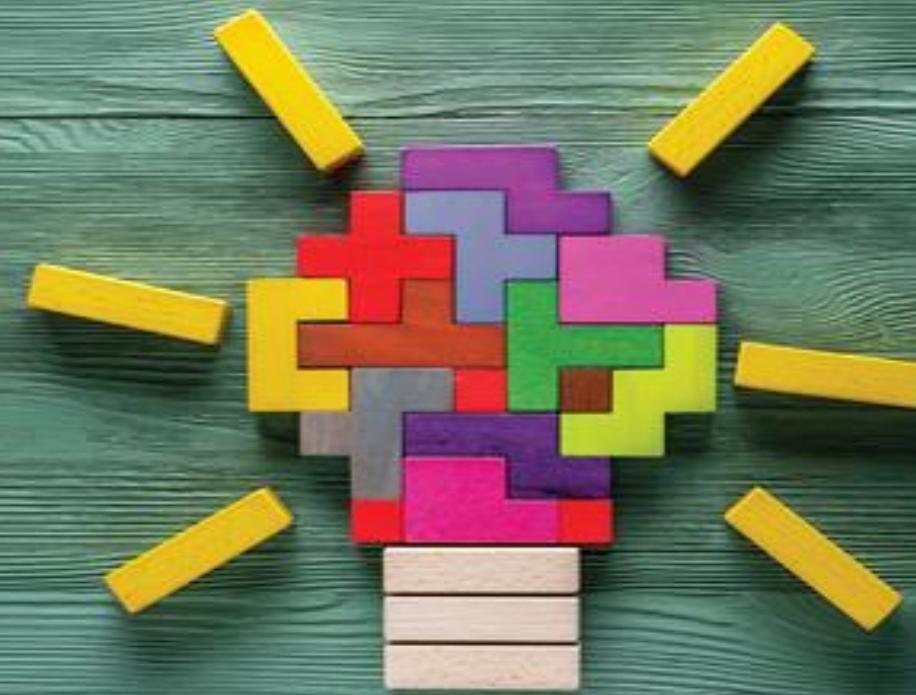
**TIME TO PRESS THE
REFRESH BUTTON**



A photograph of a person in a black wetsuit and white fins swimming upside down in clear, blue ocean water. The person is positioned vertically, with their head pointing downwards towards the bottom of the frame. A large plume of bubbles is visible above them, indicating their movement. The background consists of the clear blue water of the ocean.

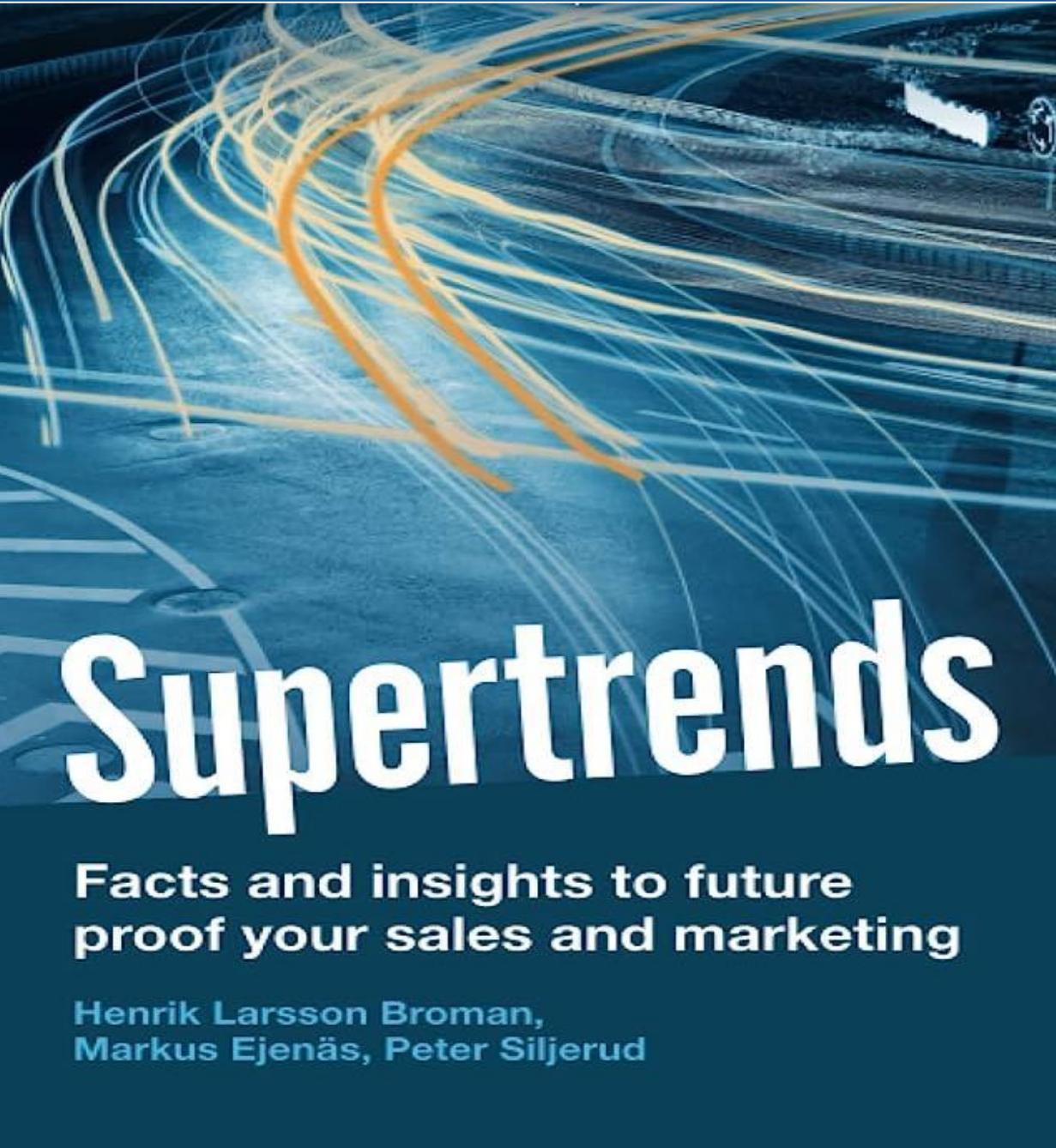
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COGNITIVE SKILLS YOU NEED FOR THE 21ST CENTURY



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22 COGNITIVE SKILLS FOR FUTURE SALES PROFESSIONALS

OUR CHOSEN



THAT MUST
BE LEARNT !

THE TOP 10

1. Data Orientation & Data affinity
2. Problem Solving
3. Organizing Knowledge
4. Ability to identify Opportunities
5. Passion driven Curiosity
6. Resilience, Stress Tolerance and flexibility
7. Analytical thinking for innovation
8. Bias for Action and execution
9. Technology use, monitoring and control
10. Digital intelligence

PICK WORDS
FROM HERE

orientation

opportunities

curiosity

action

technology

problem

digital

analytical

knowledge

stress

tolerance

- 1. Orientacija į duomenis ir žavėjimasis duomenimis**
- 2. Problemų sprendimas**
- 3. Žinių sisteminimas**
- 4. Gebėjimas įvertinti galimybes**
- 5. Aistros skatinamas smalsumas**
- 6. Atsparumas, streso toleravimas ir lankstumas**
- 7. Analitinis mąstymas vertinant inovacijas**
- 8. Polinkis veikti ir įgyvendinti idėjas**
- 9. Technologijų naudojimas, stebėjimas ir kontrolė**
- 10. Skaitmeninis intelektas**

LETS GROUP THEM

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ANALYSIS
ORIENTED SKILLS

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- 3. Bias for action and execution
- 4. Technology use, monitoring and control

ACTION ORIENTED
SKILLS

- 1. Digital Intelligence
- 2. Passion driven curiosity
- 3. Resilience, stress tolerance and flexibility

MINDSET
ORIENTED SKILLS

Sugrupuokime juos

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Analitiniai
gebėjimai

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Veikimo
įgūdžiai

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Mąstymo
įgūdžiai

I AM STILL LEARNING.

~ Michelangelo at age 87





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PRADĖKITE KELIONĘ

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