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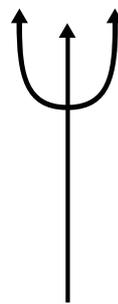
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FOR EXAMPLE

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You introduce yourself to the designers as the CEO of a well-known chain of fast food restaurants, and your business is suffering. Suffering because of the environmental damage your business is creating, suffering because you are being blamed for the obesity epidemic in the Western world.

The restaurant seems to be losing it's grip on it's main customer base, obese people.

Considering the state the market is in these days and thus barring any major overhauls to the restaurants or changes to the products being sold, you ask the designers to come up with ways to boost your profits once more.



Single moms

Foreigners

Animal lovers

Pensioners

Ex-addicts

Children aged 5-10

Singles 40+

Teen moms

Women 30+



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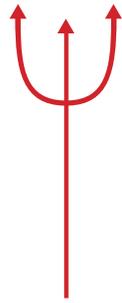
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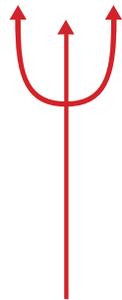
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Unemployed people

Obese people

Vegetarians

The elderly

16 year olds

Young entrepreneurs

Men in a mid-life crisis

Nature lovers

Devout believers



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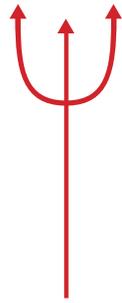
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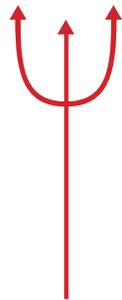
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Graduates

Low-skilled workers

Anti-fungal creams

Lottery tickets

The anti-profanity league

**Supermarket
coupons**

Top clothing brand



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Anti-aging creams

Diet pills

Gym memberships

Animal charities

Electronic cigarettes

Energy bars

Bottled water

Gossip magazines

Cheap loans



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Online gambling

Renewable energy

Hybrid cars

Life insurances

Ready-made cocktails

Adult diapers

Vitamine supplements

Online dating

Budget airliner



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Tobacco

Fast-food

Free-to-play games

Fruit juices

Shower gel

Self-help books

Daily deal websites

Smartphones

Safe sex



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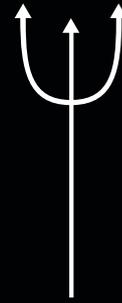
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