In conclusion . . .

Planning, establishing objectives, and measuring results are important aspects of a social media marketing effort.



Discussion Question

Assume that your team's objectives for next season include increasing registered users on the fan website, growing ticket sales, and exploring an opportunity with a new sponsor.

How would you do it?



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Objectives
Strategy
Technology

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Targets include using your company's objectives to specifically define the success you want to achieve.

Tactics involve outlining the methods of executing your strategy and reaching your targets.

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Measuring Results

An important aspect of measuring results is your ROI: return on investment

There are two types of ROI:

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Direct ROI
Correlated ROI

performance

Thecasesolutions.com Key performance indicators are correlated ROI factors that include your company's sales and revenue, community size, customer engagement, and website metrics.

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