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The Jungle of the **Customer Journey**

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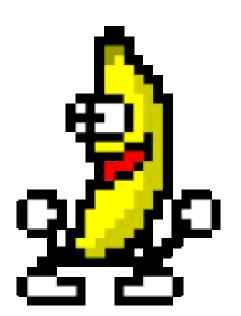






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YO BRAZIL'S IN DA HOUSE LET'S F***ING GO!!!1

(NO 7-1 JOKES PLS THE TRAUMA NEVER WENT AWAY)

















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Study: The Messy Middle

by Google



LINEAR JOURNEYS = MYTH

Entry and exit points are usually clear. The rest is chaos.



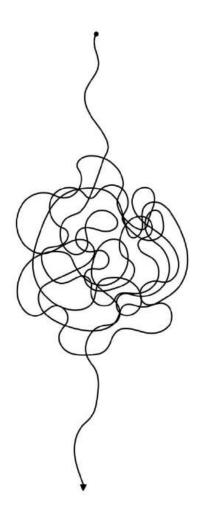
TWO MENTAL MODES

Exploration and evaluation form a loop and guide behavior.



CHAOTIC DOESN'T MEAN RANDOM

Patterns do exist. We can tackle complexity with structure.



CRO and Experimentation usually propose a touchpoint-focused approach. One page. One screen. Not a lot of context.







Customer journey optimization (CJO) is the

process of mapping and understanding customer

interactions across multiple touchpoints in order

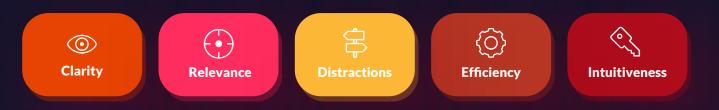
to improve the end-to-end experience.

ANDRÉ, THE CJO DUDE

Disproportionately passionate about customer journeys. (...and well-animated PowerPoints too I guess 4)



We use a ton of heuristics to evaluate pages and screens...



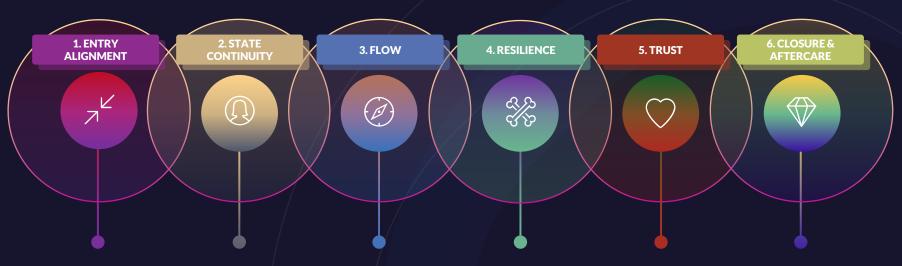
...but they say very little about the quality of the journey.



CJO requires specific heuristics. A more careful (and caring) way to look at how people experience your brand.



We can evaluate journey quality heuristics with these



Journeys succeed or fail in the first impression.

Losing identity or progress means losing the entire experience.

The narrative must be coherent and supportive.

Failures are inevitable. What matters is the care offered. Trust is fragile. Every step needs to feel clear and safe.

Long term, the end matters as much as the beginning.

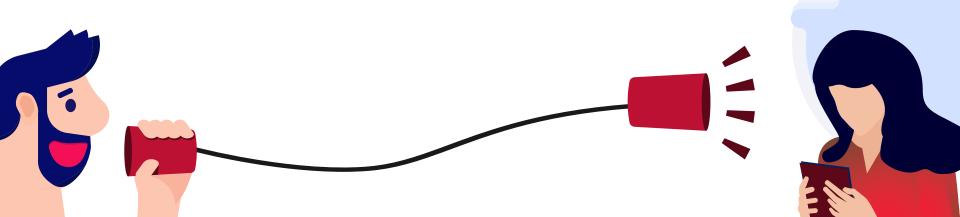


EXPECTATIONS



1. Entry Alignment

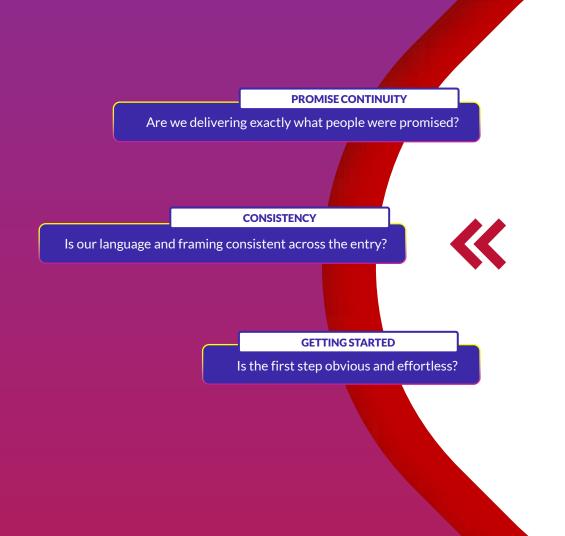
How well the journey matches the promises that brought people in and supports their first steps.





- Make the element that takes you to the next step different from everything else
- Salmon is good for your health







MAIN POINTS

Entry Alignment



2. State Continuity

What is it?



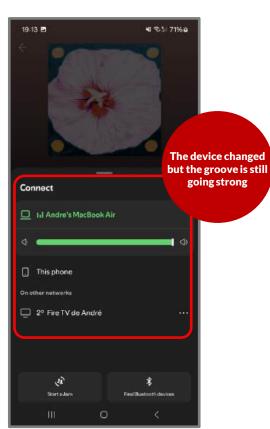
PRESERVATION 2. State Continuity

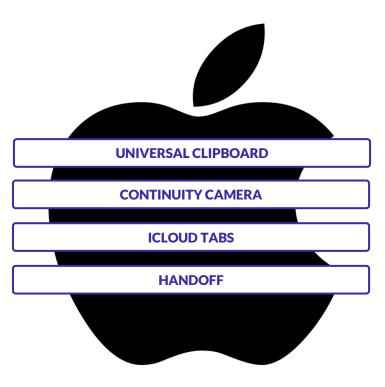
The ability to preserve identity and progress even when people switch channels, devices, or contexts.

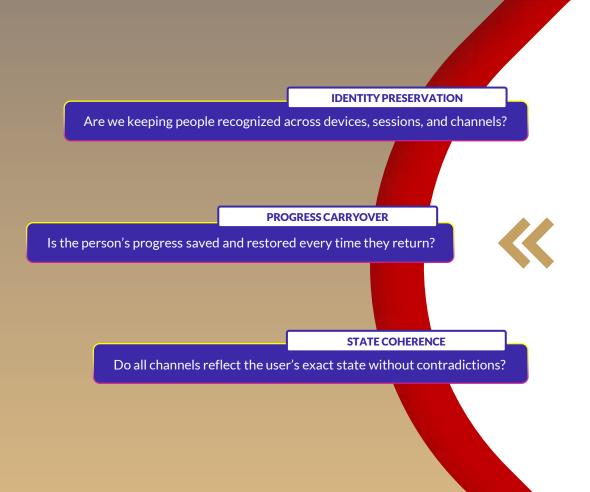
Companies:



- Seamless device switching
- Progress preservation at its finest









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2. State Continuity





How well we build a coherent narrative through clear steps, natural transitions, and emotional cues that keep people moving with momentum.



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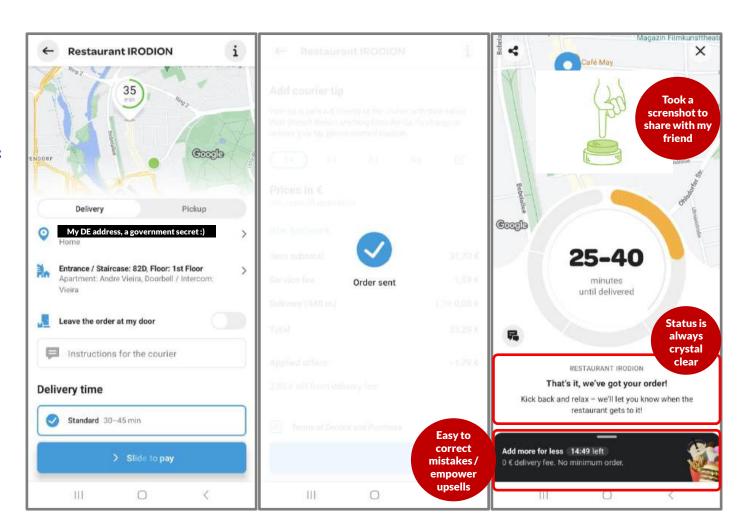
- Simple measures can be very effective in real journeys
- Visuals are good, you know exactly where you are and what's next





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- Real-time journey adaptations
- Great next action prediction
- Extra clear expectation setting
- You always know where to tap or look next
- Absolutely delightful handling by customer support



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Cool stuff we can learn here:

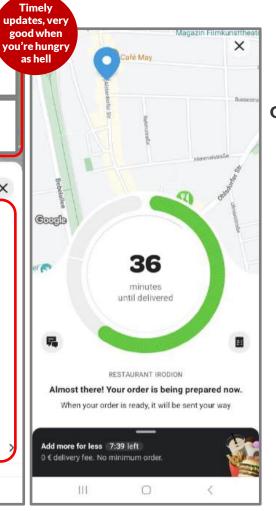
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RESTAURANT IRODION Super! A human being has seen your order. You should get the final confirmation any minute now! Share order tracking It just knows what users want to do. Cool stuff! Share a web link 0

RESTAURANT IRODION

That's it, we've got your order!

Kick back and relax – we'll let you know when the restaurant gets to it!



Greek steaks OMG YES, DOUBLE YES, TRIPLE YES YES YES:)

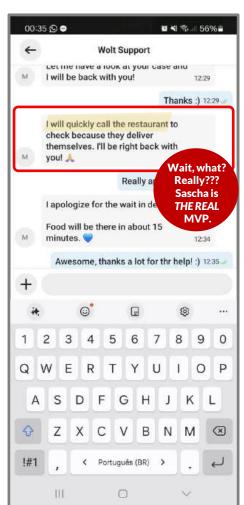


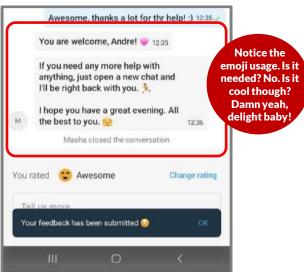


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- Real-time journey adaptations
- Great next action prediction
- Extra clear expectation setting
- Precise anxiety alleviation mechanisms
- Absolutely delightful handling by customer support









Cool stuff we can learn here:

- Be careful with your messaging in every touchpoint!
- Always make the next step as clear as possible



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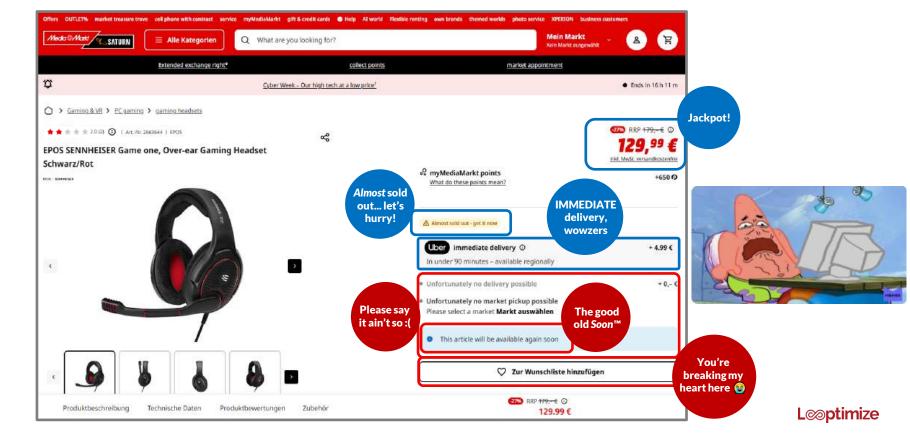
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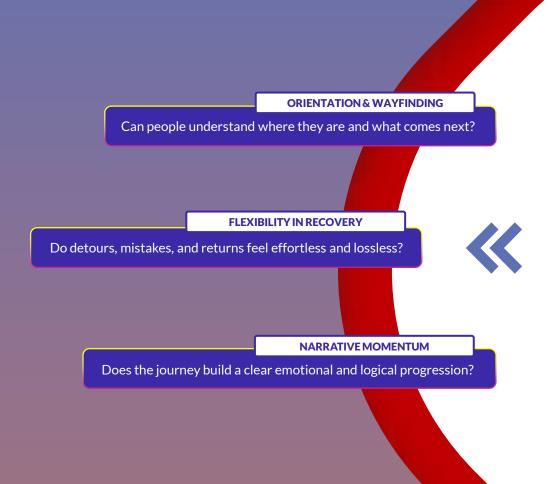
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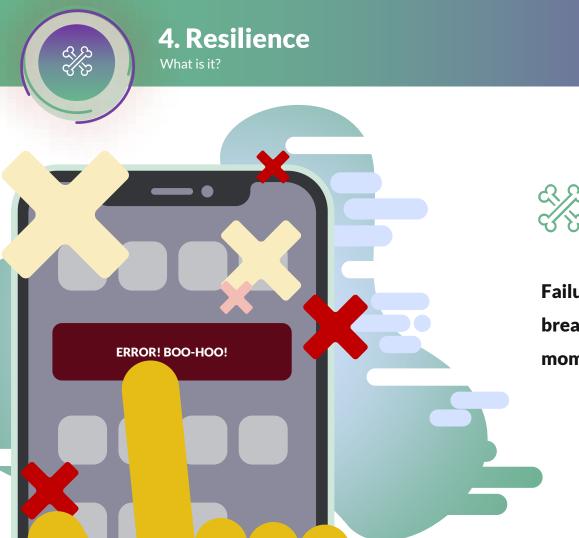
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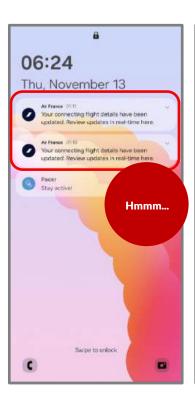


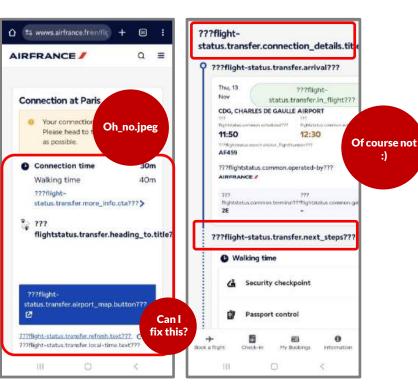
4. Resilience

Failures, detours, and interruptions don't break the experience or the user's momentum.

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- Having "plan B" states for key screens is a good idea
- Humans still rock:)





ERROR RECOVERY

When things fail, can people recover instantly without losing progress?



MAIN POINTS

4. Resilience

FORGIVENESS WITH MISTAKES

Are mistakes handled gracefully so people never have to start over?



Does the journey stay fast, stable, and usable even under bad conditions?





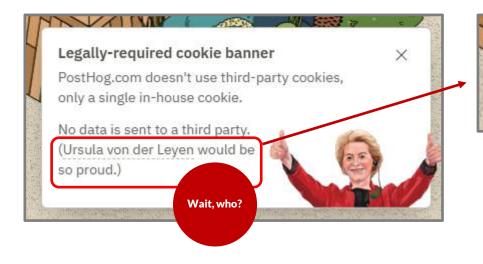


The degree to which we reduce risk and uncertainty through clear information, ethical choices, and safeguards that earn genuine trust.

N PostHog

Cool stuff we can learn here:

- You can be respectful and funny at the same time
- Delight hides in small details



Ursula von der Leyen is the President of the European Commission – NOT to be confused with Hillary Clinton.

LOL





TRANSPARENCY

Is everything clear before people commit?



6. Closure & AftercareWhat is it?



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How we turn endings into reassurance through clear confirmation, helpful next steps, and consistent aftercare.



Company: **krisp**

Cool stuff we can learn here:

- Post-conversion care is potentially more important than the conversion itself
- It takes one good experience for loyalty to take shape



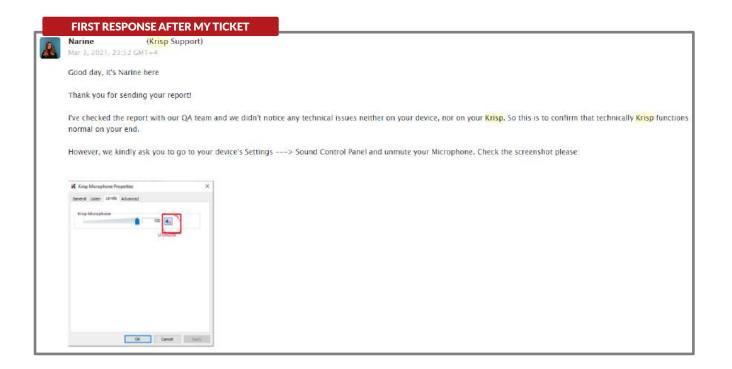
THE FACTS:

- I had used the software for a good while
- It stopped working all of a sudden.
- I opened a ticket asking for help.
- Ended up finding the solution 1 hour later (Windows just sucks).

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MY REPLY MENTIONING THIS COULD BE A FEATURE

Dear Narine,

Thank you for your reply. You're absolutely right — I found that out later yesterday after submitting my report. Sometimes Krisp gets muted directly in Windows for what seems to be no reason (I found other people online having the exact same issue, I'm still unsure if there's any keyboard shortcut that might trigger this behavior though).

One noteworthy point here is that there's no indication whatsoever in Krisp that Windows muted it. I'm not sure if it's even possible to add that as a feature, but it would be most welcome as it really makes it easy for the user to understand what's going on.

With that said, Krisp is working fine again on my end. Thanks a lot for coming back to me with a solution!

Have a great day! :)

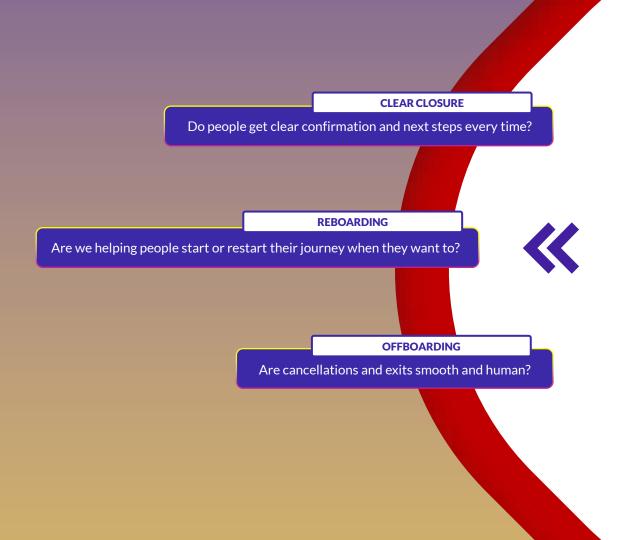
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6. Closure & Aftercare

CJO Heuristics Checklist

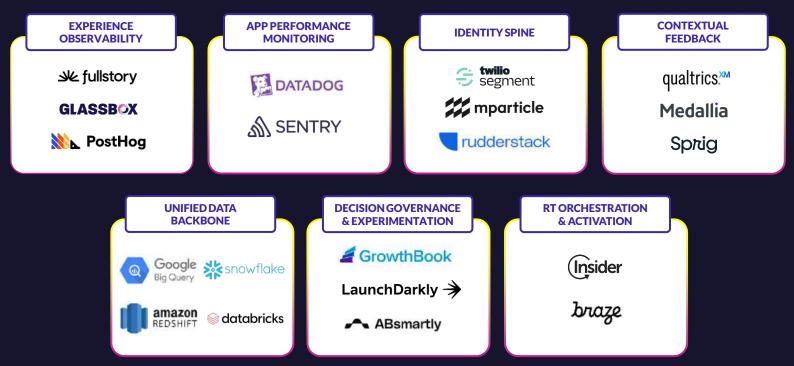


• Heuristic	Quest
1. Entry Alignment	Promise matching: Does the promise at entry match the messagin
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1. Entry Alignment	Localization & cultural fit: Do language, currency, and cultural co
1. Entry Alignment	First step guidance: Is the first step clearly signposted without am
2. State Continuity	Identity states: Are new, returning, logged in or out, and cross-de
2. State Continuity	Duplicate resolution: Are email or phone conflicts resolved without
2. State Continuity	Cross-device carryover: Can progress move across devices witho
2. State Continuity	Cross-channel coherence: Do confirmations and follow ups reflec
2. State Continuity	Cart & form persistence: Do carts, forms, and preferences persist
2. State Continuity	Human handoff: Is context preserved during human handoff so us
2. State Continuity	Phygital integration: Are physical/offline interactions synced with
3. Flow	Narrative arc: Is there a clear progression from discovery to reass
3. Flow	Step progression: Does each step build naturally on the previous
3. Flow	Branch handling: Are alternative paths like guest checkout suppo
3. Flow	Detours & returns: Can users take detours and return without los
3. Flow	Nonlinear behaviors: Does backtracking or skipping ahead avoid

That said... CJO becomes <u>ridiculously</u> powerful with the correct tech stack.



Enteprise-Level CJO Stack: Unlocking CJO's True Potential





Some possibilities:

- Measurably quantify all the CJO heuristics we just discussed.
- Predict where journeys are most likely to break with a scary level of accuracy.
- Generate dynamic journey paths powered by behavioral data and LLMs.
- Trigger automated interventions even before friction appears.

ADAPTIVE JOURNEYS WITH GEN-AI IS

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Predictive empathy:
systems recognizing
not only customer
profiles, but
emotional and cognitive
states as well.

Generative interfaces that redesign pages in real time for each person.

Self-healing journeys that repair themselves the moment they break. Questions? Concerns? Regrets? Want to connect? Need a hug?

Then don't be a stranger. Let's talk!



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