

11 PROVEN TECHNIQUES TO GET MORE SALES FROM CLASSIFIED ADS

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We have **promoted over 5000+ classified ads** for our customers at Classifiedsubmissions.com. We have had an opportunity to see what works and what does not work.

One of the main reasons we have written this ebook is to **share our valuable experience** so that our customers and anybody else interested in advertising their business through classified ads can find success.

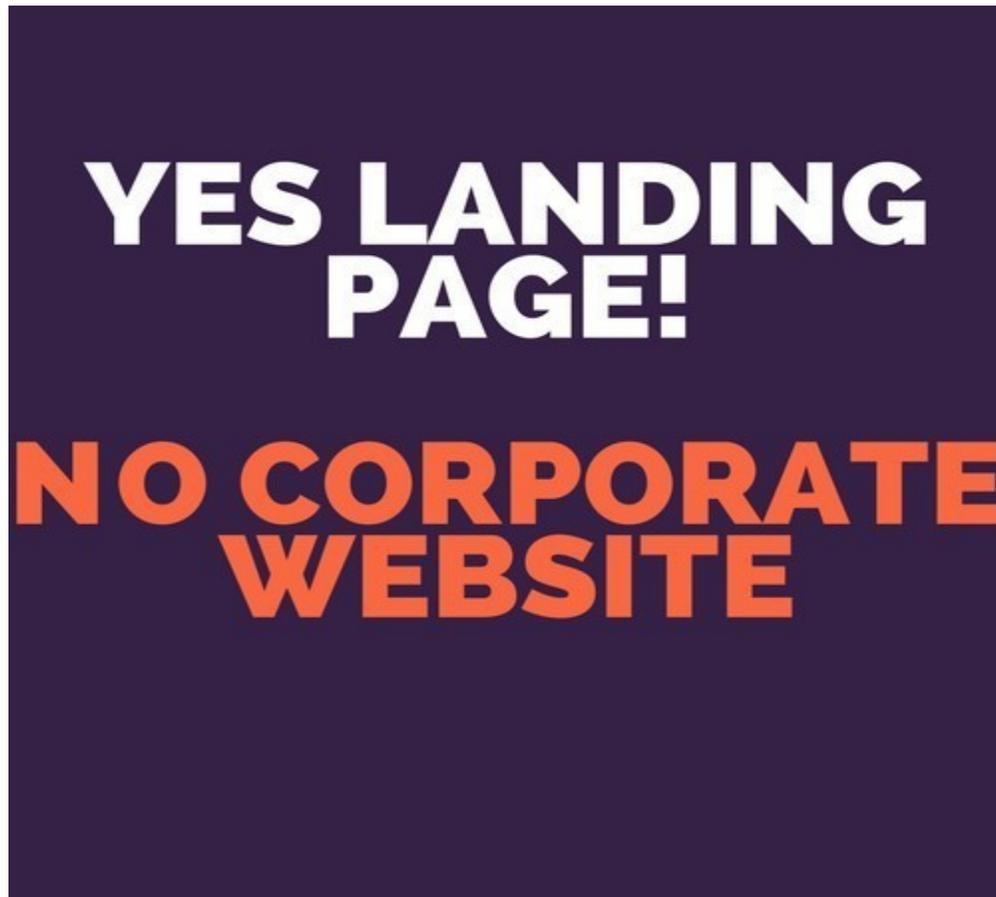
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“11 Proven Techniques For Getting More Sales From Classified Ads”

1. Promote a Landing Page With An Opt In Form Not A Big Corporate Site.



You only have a few seconds to get your prospect's attention. If you send them to a **big corporate site** with different links, about us pages, different products, company history etc. then **prospects will most likely just click away.**

You need a clear simple landing page which has **one clear focus** and that is to **get the prospect's email address** so you can **follow up.**

The **entire goal of an opt in landing page**, also known as a squeeze page, is to get the prospect to **give you his email address**.

Then your [autoresponder](#) can **follow up indefinitely** every few days with follow ups giving your prospect more information on your product or service.

The reason these pages are called “Squeeze Pages” is that they **totally focus on getting the prospect** on taking one action they “squeeze” the prospect **into giving you his email address**.

Squeeze Pages Do Not Try to Sell Anything They Totally Focus on Getting The Prospect To Subscribe to a Newsletter.

Often they offer a **free giveaway or bonus to entice the prospect** to subscribe.

This bonus can be a **free ebook, like this one, or even free software, free coaching, free tips, free valuable information**, just use your imagination.

We have created some free software and **you are welcome to use this software as a giveaway** for people to join your list. [See here to learn about this opportunity.](#)



We suggest asking for email only when creating an opt in form. The more fields of information you ask for the less opt ins you will get.

For example if you ask for **first name, last name, email address, where did you hear from us, blood type, best time to call, sexual preference, blood**

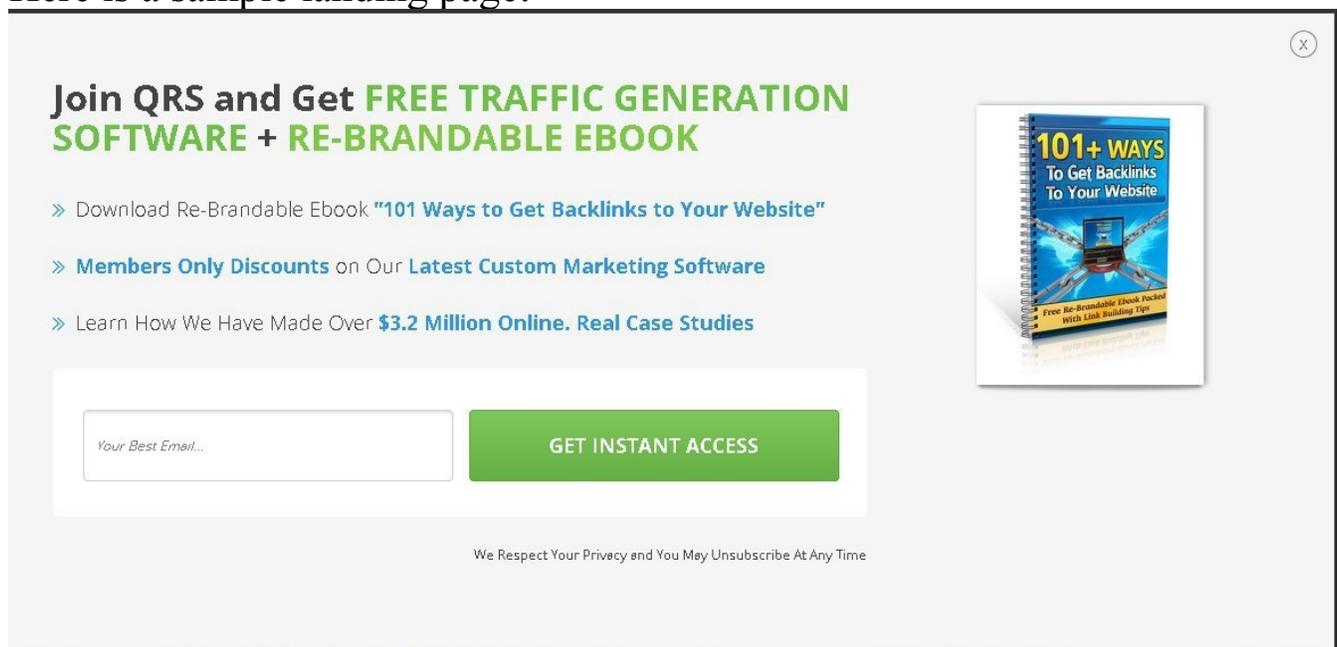
type and then put a complicated Google Image **Recaptcha form** on your opt in form you can be pretty sure **nobody will opt in** unless your offer is incredible.

The More Info You Ask For The Less Opt Ins You Will Receive

Bottom line you need to make it as **simple and compelling** as possible for people to join your newsletter.

Also, **you want your landing page to have one focus**, that is to get the email of the prospect. Save the selling for your follow up emails.

Here is a sample landing page:

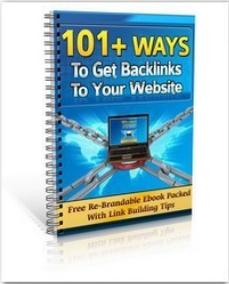


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Here are some characteristics of an effective landing page:

- All text and opt in form should be **above the fold**. This means prospects **should not have to scroll down the page** to see the opt in form.
- **Give bullet points with real compelling reasons** why people should

subscribe to your newsletter

- The form should have **one clear focus and call to action**, to get the prospect's email. There should be no other distracting information on the form.
- **Have some sort of giveaway to entice the prospect to subscribe** such as an ebook or software or maybe something creative that fits your market perfectly
- **On the submit button** do not just put “submit” put what the **prospect will be receiving**. For example “Send Me Free Software.”
- Have a **compelling picture or better a video** illustrating people why they should subscribe.
- **Ask for the prospect's “Best Email”** in the form. Do not just put the default “email” in the email form. *You want the best email of the prospect.* The one they **monitor all the time**. If you just ask **you will be surprised how many people comply**.
- **Do not ask for too much information**. Just ask for the **email only** or perhaps name and email. **The more info you ask for the less opt ins you will get.**
- **Do not put a captcha form on your opt in form!** Make it easy for people to subscribe!
- **Set your autoresponder to “single opt in.”** This means they will not have to click a confirmation link to get your follow up messages. **The less you ask your prospect to do the better.**

There are a number of landing page services but many are quite expensive.

One of the simplest and most reasonable ways to get started is with [Getresponse](#)

One of The Simplest Ways to Get Started is to Get A Combo Landing Page Creator/Autoresponder System With Getresponse

[Getresponse](#) is offering a combination autoresponder and landing page creator for less than what most landing page creation companies charge for landing pages alone.

[In this blog post](#) the [Getresponse](#) option is discussed and also the option of using a wordpress plugin called [Thrive Architect](#) to create landing pages.

Of course, **everything I have said here applies if you are promoting your business and you are looking for ongoing clients.** If you are trying to sell your car or your bicycle **just put an ad for your car or bike.**

However, many of the tips below will **even apply for selling individual one time sales.**

2. Have a Fantastic Offer!



Your offer is everything. There is **no sense in paying for advertising** if your offer does not offer **overwhelming value for the prospect.**

Ask yourself honestly **“am I offering a legit fantastic deal for my customers?”** **Rack your brain to come up with ideas to make your offer better.**

Spy on your competition and see what they are doing and if you can do the same or better.

What bonuses can you offer your customers? **What special deals** can you offer them? **What are you offering** that your customer is not offering?

Think what you would want if you were your customer and give your customers just that and more.

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SUBMISSION SOFTWARE**

DOWNLOAD NOW!

Even if you are promoting an affiliate offer you can still offer special bonuses. Successful affiliates set up web pages with bonuses if people order from their links. Get creative!

A Fantastic High Value Offer Does Not Need As Much Traffic to Succeed!

Spend time making your offer the best it can be and it will dramatically affect your results and save you big money in advertising costs

3. Follow Up, Follow Up, Follow Up!



Most prospects are not just going to go to your website and buy right away. It has been proven that most prospects need at least 7 follow ups before they purchase.

This is why we suggest you concentrate on **getting the prospect's email and just their email at first.**

Once they are subscribed to your newsletter **you can follow up with them for weeks to come with your autoresponder** follow up series.

If you do not know what an autoresponder is please [see this article](#).

Our autoresponder series follows up for over 1 year!



We would suggest starting with at least 7 autoresponder follow up messages. Then you can add on as you go.

We generally **set our autoresponder messages to 4 days apart.** You do not want to bug them every day but you still want to keep in touch.

The autoresponder messages should not be hard pitches. They should be giving your prospects valuable information and building your credibility.

The idea is to get as many prospects as possible into your sales funnel as possible. Do not worry about sales at first. **Just focus on getting as many subscribers as possible** and follow up, follow up, follow up!

Do Not Expect Sales Right Away. Just Concentrate on Filling Your Sales Funnel. The Sales Will Come. Hang in There!

There are many autoresponder services. This ones we use and recommend are: [Getresponse](#) and [Aweber](#). For a self hosted solution we recommend [Sendy](#).

Check out this article “[8 Urgent Reasons Why You Need An Autoresponder Now!](#)” to learn more about this essential marketing tool.

4. Create Compelling Eye Catching Curiosity Arousing Titles



The title is the first part of your ad that your prospect will see. Take some time to come up with some killer titles! You want to entice your prospects to click on the title to see your ad.

Look through your competition's ads and see what ads entice you to click. You can get lots of good ideas spying on your competition.

The Title is The First Part of Your Ad That Prospects Will See. Get Their Attention!

There is nothing wrong with imitating success. However, you do not need to copy them exactly. **Modify the titles to suit your particular niche.**

Do you get lots of spam emails? You know **spammers are often masters at coming up with some creative titles. Go through your emails in your inbox and see if there are any titles that arouse your curiosity.**



Then modify these titles to suit your business.

Here are some tips to help you come up with some winning titles:

1. **Keep it short and sweet.** The perfect length for a headline is 6 words.

For example. Donald Trump. Good or Bad?

The less people have to read the more chance you have of capturing their attention.

2. **Use interesting adjectives.** Examples: Fun, effortless, pains taking, unique, incredible, strange, absolute.

3. **Use negative words.** Negative words tap into our insecurities.

For Example: Before You Sign Up For Any Home Business STOP and read this!

4. **Use numbers.** Example. I made \$197.32 this morning before I woke up!

5. **Personalize it.** Example. 10 Ways to Get More Traffic. (#3 Will Blow Your Mind!)

6. Try this formula:

Number or Trigger word - Adjective-Keyword-Promise

Before: **How to Bathe an Elephant**

After: **18 Unbelievable Ways You Can Bathe an Elephant Indoors.**

[Here is another article which will help you come up with compelling titles quickly.](#)

5. Use Software to Automatically Post Ads For You Saving Hours of Your Time

PREMIUM

QUALITY



USE

SOFTWARE

Automated Submissions

You can **post ads manually** but if you have tried this you know it can be **very time consuming and tedious**.

Another option is use automatic ad posting software to do the job for you.

We have created a suite of such software at Coolmarketingsoftware.com

Here is some of the software:

The Free Ad Forum Pro Submitter- This is the pro version of our free classified ad submission software. It will submit **unlimited ads to ANY category and to ANY city in ANY country** database on TheFreeAdForum.com

Also it submits much faster than the free version and you can include up to **7 pictures and a YouTube video with your ads. No proxies, or captcha services needed!**

No ghosting of ads since we own TheFreeAdForum.com. By far the easiest and most hassle free software we have created so far! [See here to learn more.](#)

ClassAdsCom Easy Submitter- This **easy to use software** will submit your ad to **500+ cities in a variety of categories** to one of the busiest classified ad sites in the world on autopilot [Learn more here.](#)

Global Free Classified Ad Submitter- This easy to use software **posts unlimited ads to any category on one of the highest traffic classified ad sites in the world.** Follow our simple instructions and your ads go live 99% of the time. [Visit here to learn more.](#)

TheFreeadforum Free Submitter (Free Software)-

This software will submit your ad to **50 random cities in the thefreeadforum.com Jobs/Business Opportunities section**. This is completely free software. [Visit here to learn more.](#)

Free Global Classified Ad Submitter (Free software)-

Posts up to **500 ads per day on autopilot** to US cities on www.freeglobalclassifiedads.com. No captcha or proxies needed. Super easy to use and completely free software for a limited time. [Visit here to learn more.](#)

Omni Reply Reverse Advertising Software-This easy to use powerful software delivers real eyeballs to your ads every time! It will reply automatically up to **300 ads per session** on one of the highest traffic classified ad sites in the world. [Visit here to learn more.](#)

A blue banner with a white envelope icon on the left containing the word 'EMAIL' and a blue arrow pointing right. The text 'YOUR AD SENT DIRECTLY TO YOUR PROSPECT'S INBOX!' is written in white. On the right, a red button contains the text 'GET GUARANTEED TRAFFIC!' in white. The banner has white diagonal stripes on the right side.

**YOUR AD SENT
DIRECTLY TO YOUR
PROSPECT'S INBOX!**

GET GUARANTEED TRAFFIC!

Some of the software is free so you can get test them out before purchasing the paid software. We offer a **100% money back guarantee** on everything we sell so there is no risk.

6. Run Your Software 24/7 With a Remote Windows VPS



A remote windows VPS is simply a Windows computer just like any Windows computer you would buy but it is hosted in a remote location usually by a web hosting company.

The advantage is that you **can log into your remote windows vps from ANY computer** even a MAC or an outdated Windows version like XP and access the server.

Once you are **logged in you just operated the computer like any Windows computer.** There is no difference.

You can then set up your software and start running campaigns. Then just **log off the remote windows computer and the software keeps running.**

You could **log in from anywhere in the world** with an internet connection, **set up your campaigns, click run, and then log off and go to the beach.** We do it all the time ourselves.

You can get a remote VPS from as little as \$10. per month. [We use this company.](#)

[Here is an article](#) which goes into detail about running classified ad posting software on a remote windows VPS. Here is a video which explains as well.



7. Just Pay For Upgraded Ads



Sometimes it is just worth it to pay for upgraded ads. For example with our site www.thefreadforum.com you can have **your ad in rotation on the homepage of the site for an entire year** for just **\$15**.

This is an insanely low price for advertising. Yes, it is a bit more long term but the ads on the front page are **getting quite a few views**.

Plus it is simple. **It still takes time to even run software but placing an upgraded ad takes just a few minutes.**

You need to **analyze if the upgraded ads are getting views**. On thefreadforum.com there are ad counters there so you can see yourself.

On routine inspection **you can see that ads are getting hundreds of views**. For \$10. for the year this is definitely worth considering. **You can still post free ads with the software as well.**

Craigslist is notorious for ghosting or deleting free ads and you never really know why. It can be very frustrating.

Sometimes it is worth it to just pay for an upgraded ad. You can save quite a bit of time and hassle.

8. Look For Hottest Listing Sections And Promote Your Ad to The Top



Some classified ad websites have a **hottest listings section** which displays **the most viewed ads** on the site on the home page of the main ad site.

We have such a section on www.thefreadforum.com. It displays the **10 ads** which are getting the most views.

Savvy marketers will promote their ads to get on the top of the hottest listings and they then have a more or less **permanent link on the first page** of a very high traffic site.

This position is even better than a paid ad because **your ad is NOT in rotation** it is **permanently fixed on the first page** of the site as long as it has enough hit counts.

As of the writing of this ebook **2000 visitors to your ad will get you on the top 10 list.** You would have to have over 70,000 hits for the top position but 2000 views gets you right in there comfortably. Here is a screen shot of the hottest listings.

The screenshot shows a 'Hottest Listings' section with several advertisements. The top ad is for 'New Software Posts 500 Ads Daily!' with a 'DONT MISSTHIS' call to action. Below it is an ad for 'Attention Bloggers And Website Owners!' with a 'HOT DEAL!!!' call to action. The next ad is 'Increase Your MLM Downline with AdPlotter'. This is followed by 'Why I Hate MLM'. The next ad is for 'Credit Card, Mortgages and Car Approves' with a 'WOW!!' call to action. Below that is an ad for a property at '4461 Marjorie Road Snellville Ga 30039'. The final ad is for a 'Luxury Villa for Sale Dubai' with a phone number '6 4 118 700'.

Be on the lookout for most popular listings or hottest listings sections. Check out how many view counts it takes to get on the list and **promote your ad until you have a solid top 10 position.**

8. Try Reverse Advertising. It Works!



Are you **selling a product or service that would appeal to those who are currently advertising** on classified ad site?

What if you could **contact directly every single person who is placing an ad in any category on a very busy high traffic site?**

And **what if you were 100% sure each person would see your message** because they themselves are eagerly waiting for a response to their ads.

This is called **REVERSE ADVERTISING**. You are advertising to those who are already advertising.

Depending on your product or service this can work extremely well.

Actually **it can work better than posting classified ads.**

Sometimes classified ads get lost amongst all the other ads. It can be challenging to stand out and to get your prospect's attention.

However, if you **deliver a targeted message right in your prospect's most monitored in box** he will most likely see your message.

This method **works extremely well for those selling advertising services.** Who better to promote advertising services to than those who are currently advertising?

For example **if you are posting a classified ad and I have software which will post that same classified ad automatically to hundreds of cities perhaps you might just be interested.**

So how do you send your message to those who are currently advertising?

We have created a software called “[Omni Reply](#)” This software will **automatically respond to classified ads in ANY category** on one of the **most popular classified ad sites** in the world.

This has been one of the most effective software packages we have created. It delivers targeted real eyeball traffic every time we use it. [See here to learn more about the Omni-Reply](#)

9. How to Stop Your Links From Being Blocked on Popular Classified Ad Sites.



NO MORE BLOCKED ADS!



Many popular classified ad sites and even Facebook make it a habit of blocking links. What type of links are blocked?

On some sites almost **all url shortening services are blocked.** For example **bit.ly or tinyurl** or virtually any such service where people use a common domain to shorten their urls.

If you are posting on some of these sites and get a message like this:

Step 2: Preview Ad

Step 1: Write Ad

Step 2: Preview Ad

Step 3: Activation

Step 4: All Done

Oops! 

An error occurred while placing your ad. Email us at support@backpage.com for additional info. Please include the ad you are trying to place.

Title

Check out my awesome business

Description

Bold

Italic

Underline

Check out my awesome business. This really rocks
<http://www.tinyurl.com/sdfssdfsdffsdfs>



Nine times out of ten this message means that your link has been blocked. Notice that I used a tinyurl link.

I did this on purpose just for this example. I wanted to get the Oops message. There it is.

You may also **get the same message if you are promoting a very popular affiliate program** and you are using the direct website link of the program.

Facebook will also block similar links.

The best way to get around this is simply to **purchase your own domain name and re-direct your domain name to the affiliate link.**

This way you are **not promoting the direct affiliate link or short url but you are promoting your own domain name.** Not only will you have an easier time posting ads but your links will look much more professional.

[This video will show you how to redirect your domain to your affiliate link.](#)

[You can get your own domain name here.](#)

There is another method which does not require purchasing your domain name.

You can simply **sign up for a free blog at blogger.com** and **create a blog post on the free blogging platform.**

Then you **just promote the blog post.** This can be especially helpful for those who are **promoting affiliate programs.** You can put extra information about bonuses you are offering and an opt in form.

We think you are **still better off promoting a proper landing page and opt in page** but it is another technique to consider.

[Here is a blog post and video](#) which explains how to **set up your own free blogger.com blog and use a free blog post to get past being blocked on popular sites.**



10. Just Use A Service And Let Them Do All The Work For You



You always have the option of just paying somebody to post ads for you.

Here is what we propose to do for you each month with our *classified ad posting service*. We will submit your ad to the following:

- ✓ 1000's of Classified Ad Pages
 - ✓ 30+ Upgraded Ads on 30+ High Traffic Classified Sites (Yearly Membership)
 - ✓ 500 + High Quality Optimized Permanent Blog Posts on Our Exclusive Network!
 - ✓ 100+ Web 2.0 Properties Like Tumblr and Wordpress.com!
- These are permanent links!

We do not guarantee how many opt ins you will get because this depends on your offer but **give us a good landing page and we will make sure to get you some action!**

It may be worthwhile considering hiring a service to promote your ads for you. Then you can concentrate your marketing efforts on other areas that most suit your talents.

[See here to learn more about the classified ad submission service](#)

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