



BA 291 Introduction to Business

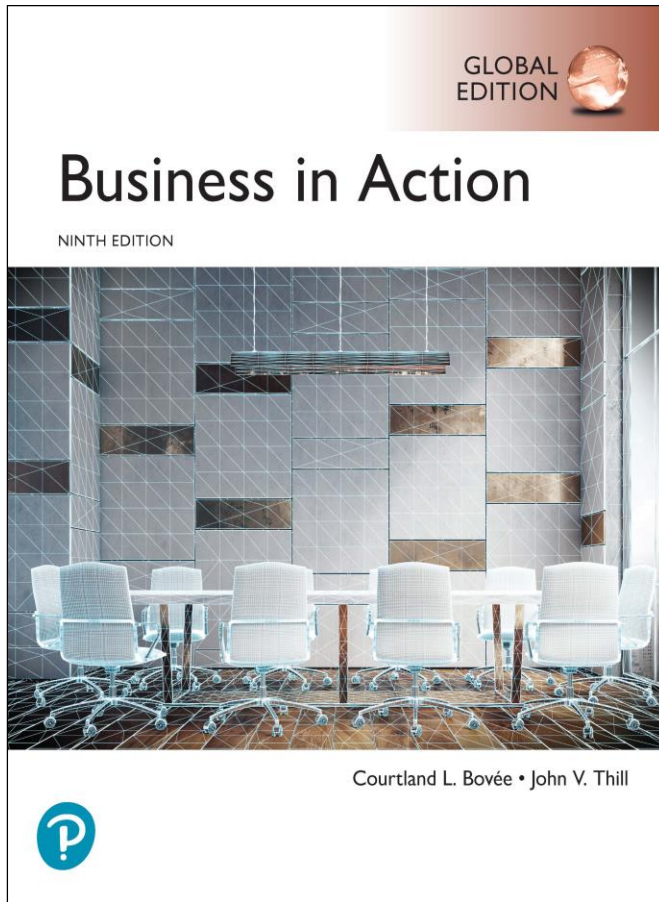
Session 1 Business Overview

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Chapter 1

Developing a Business Mindset

Learning Objectives

1.1 Explain the concept of adding value in a business, and identify four useful ways to categorize businesses.

1.2 List three steps you can take to help make the leap from consumer to business professional.

1.3 Discuss the five major environments in which every business operates.

1.4 Explain the purpose of the six major functional areas in a business enterprise.

Understanding What Businesses Do

- **Business**

- Any profit-seeking organization that provides goods and services designed to satisfy the customers' needs.





The advertisement features three loaves of Farmhouse Royal bread in clear plastic packaging, each with a distinct label: 'Royal Bread' (33g), 'Whole Wheat' (37g), and '12 Grain' (40g). The loaves are set against a background of a window with soft light. Above the loaves, the 'Farmhouse' logo is in the top left, and 'Royal Group' is written in large, golden, cursive letters in the center. Two golden trumpets with red banners flank the central text. A golden laurel wreath in the bottom right corner contains the Thai text 'ใหม่พรีเมียมกว่าเดิม' (New, Premium, Better than before). A red banner at the bottom left contains the Thai text '*ทุกช่องทางจำหน่าย' (Available at all sales channels).

Farmhouse

Royal Group

Royal Bread 33g

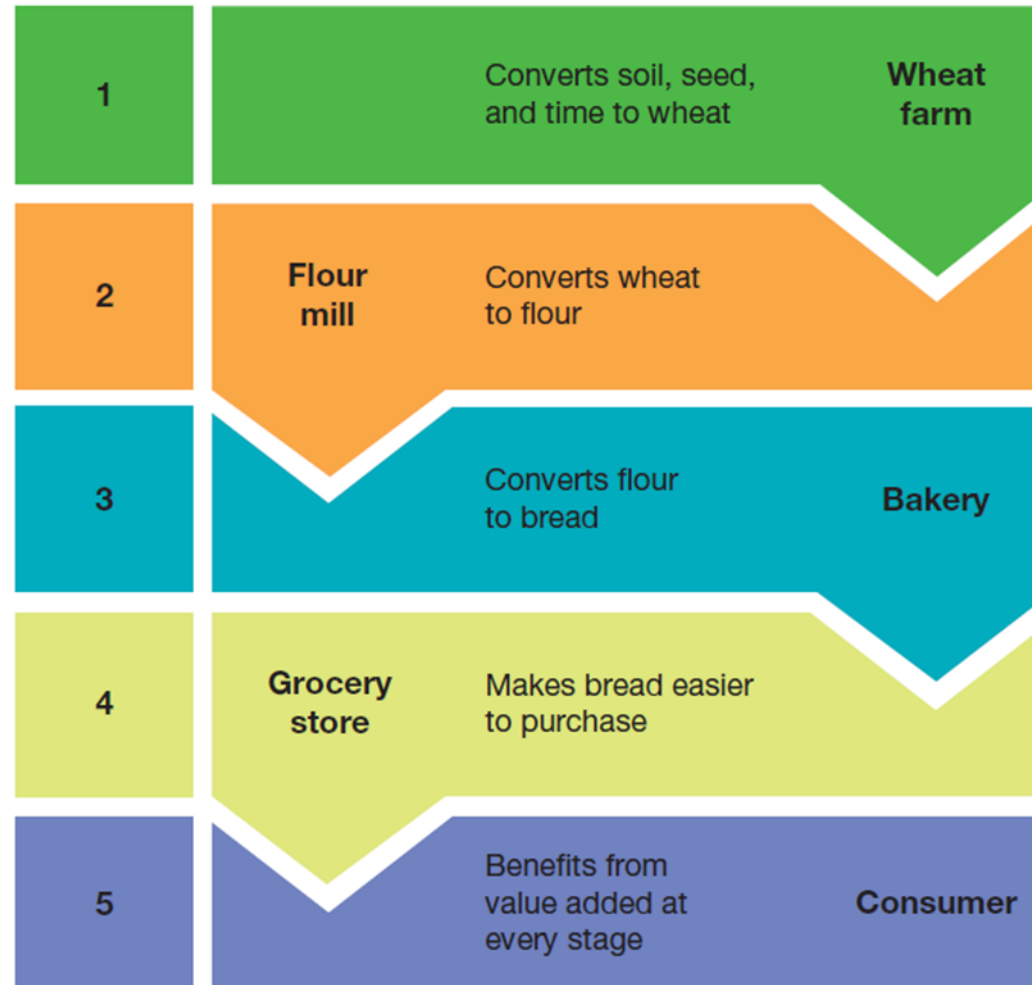
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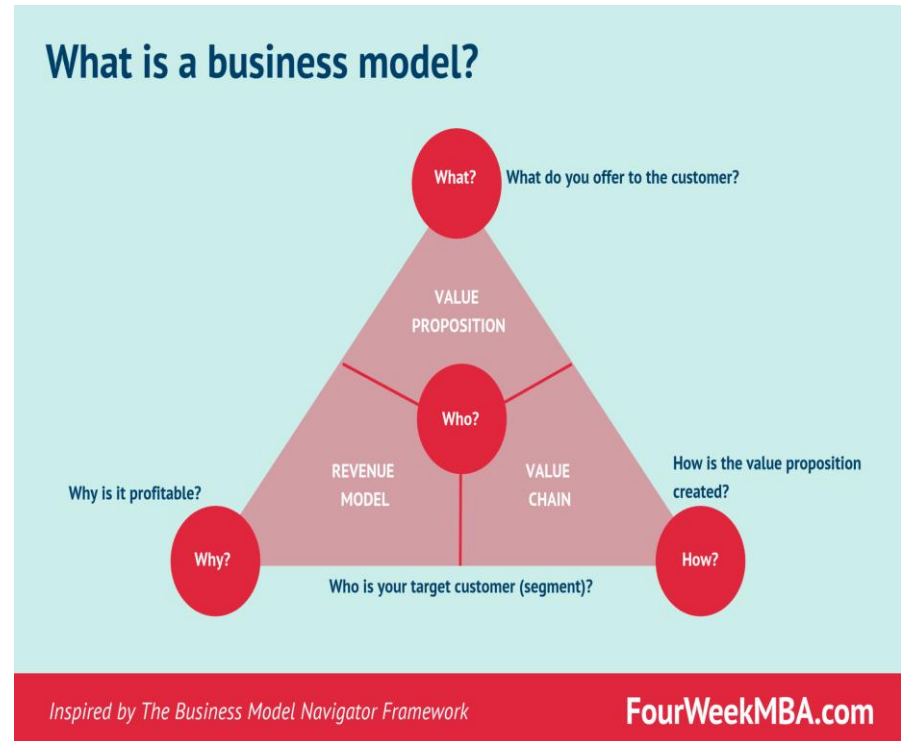
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Exhibit 1.1 Adding Value to Satisfy Customers



Adding Value: The Business of Business (1 of 2)

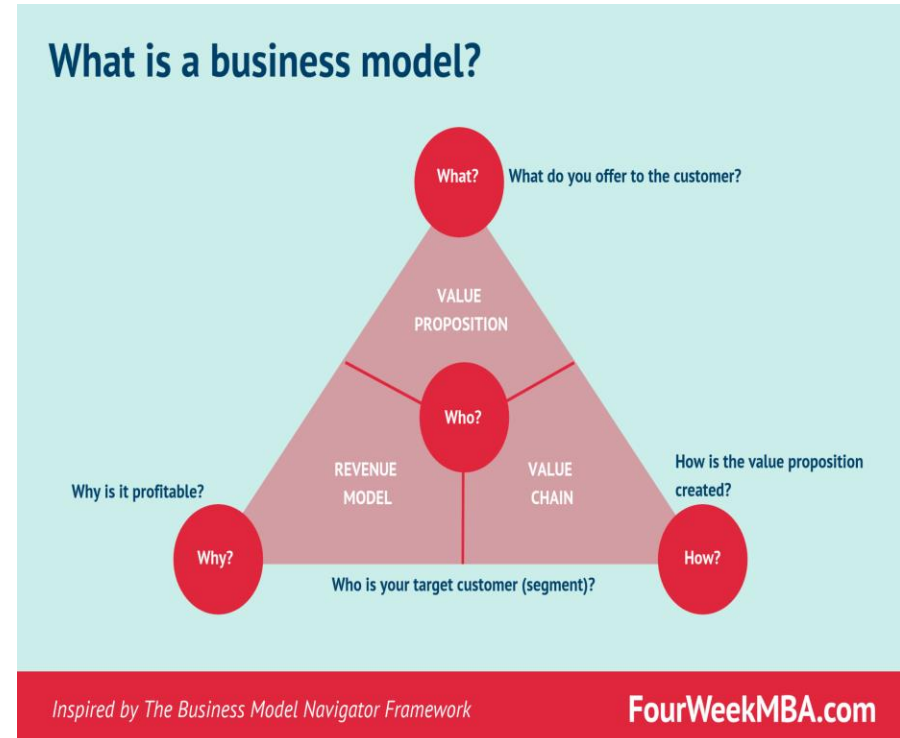
- **Revenue**
 - Money that a company brings in through the sale of goods and services.
- **Business model**
 - A concise description of how a business intends to generate revenue.



Adding Value: The Business of Business (2 of 2)

- **Profit**

- Money left over after all the costs involved in doing business have been deducted from the revenue.



Competing to Attract and Satisfy Customers

- **Competitive advantage**
 - Some aspects of a product or company that make it more appealing to its target customers.





Identifying Major Types of Businesses (1 of 2)

- **Not-for-profit organizations**
 - Organizations that provide goods and services without having a profit motive; these are also called not-for-profit organizations.



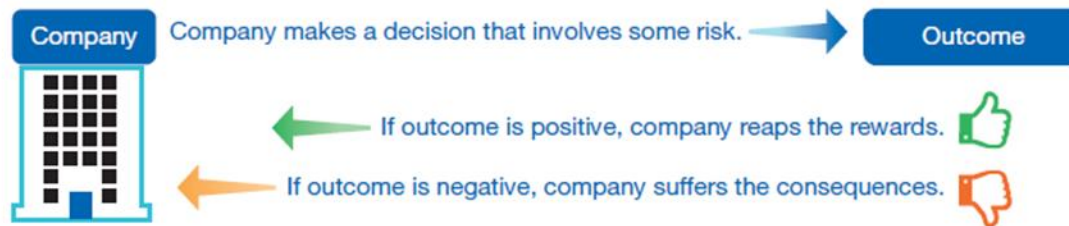
Identifying Major Types of Businesses (2 of 2)

- **Goods-producing businesses**
 - Companies that create value by making “things,” most of which are tangible.
- **Service businesses**
 - Companies that create value by performing activities that deliver some benefit to customers.



Exhibit 1.2 Risk, Reward, and Moral Hazard (1 of 3)

Healthy connection between risk and reward



Moral hazard: Link between risk and reward is broken



Exhibit 1.2 Risk, Reward, and Moral Hazard (2 of 3)

- Goods-producing businesses are often capital-intensive businesses.

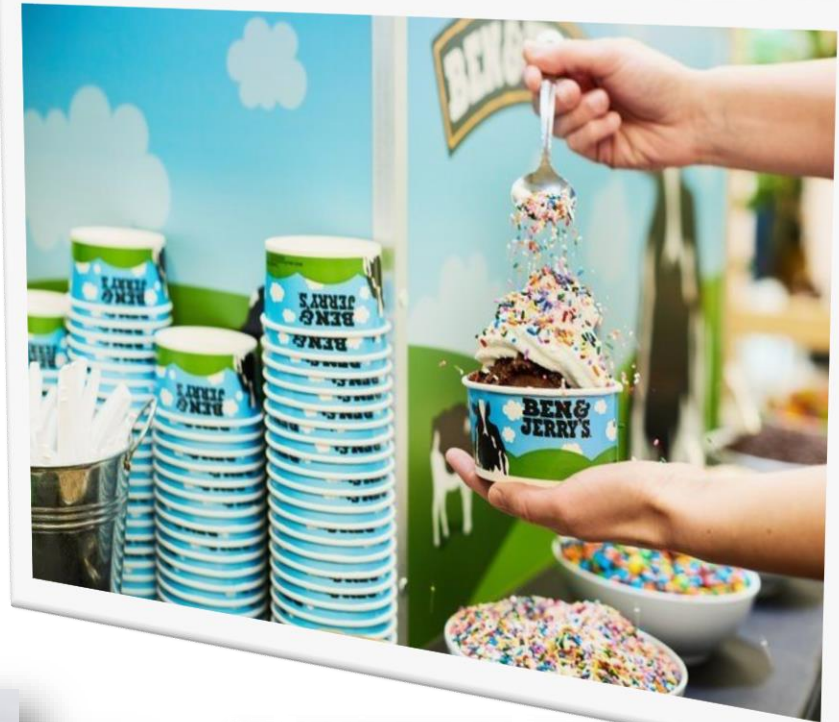


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Hazard (2 of 3)

- Service businesses tend to be labor-intensive businesses.

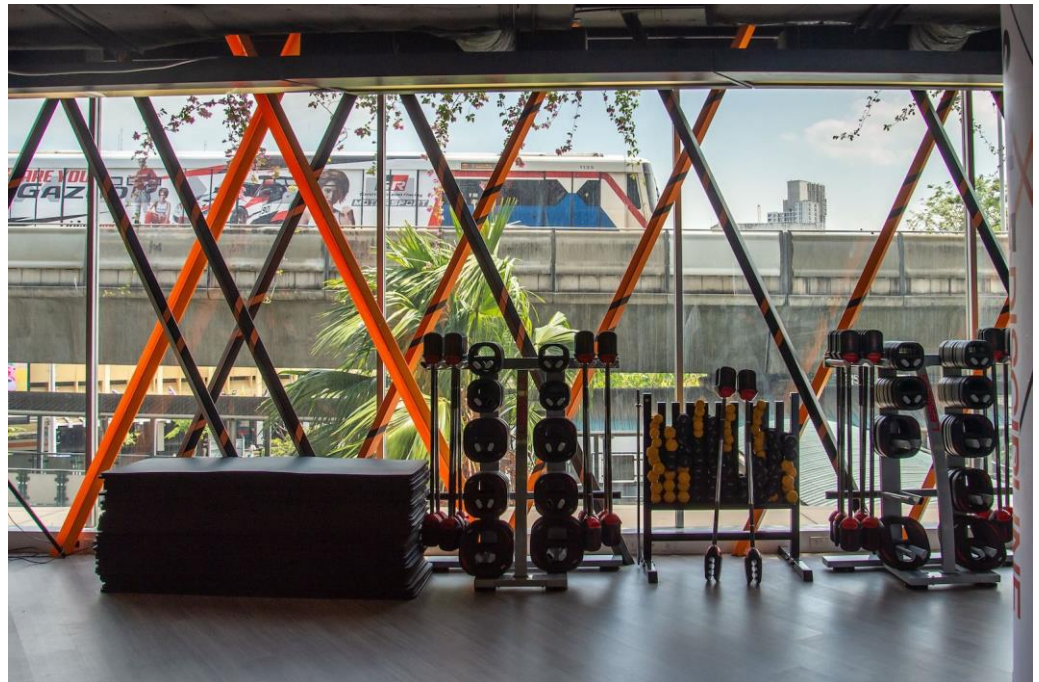


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- **Barrier to entry**
 - Any resource or capability a company must have before it can start competing in a given market.



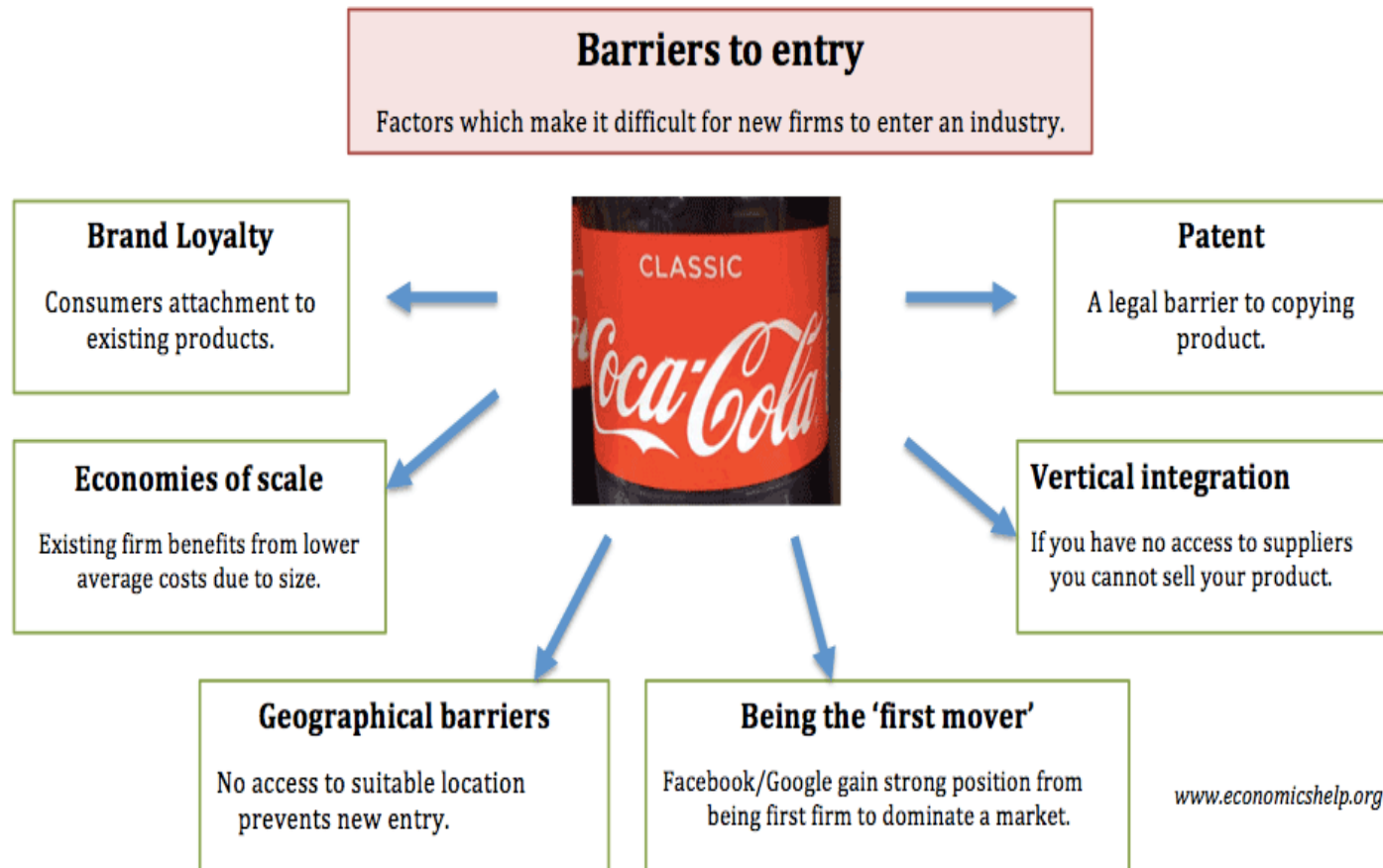
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Seeing Business from the Inside Out

- **Business mindset**

- A view of business that considers the myriad decisions that must be made and the many problems that must be overcome before companies can deliver the products that satisfy customer needs.





Exhibit 1.3 The Business Mindset (1 of 2)

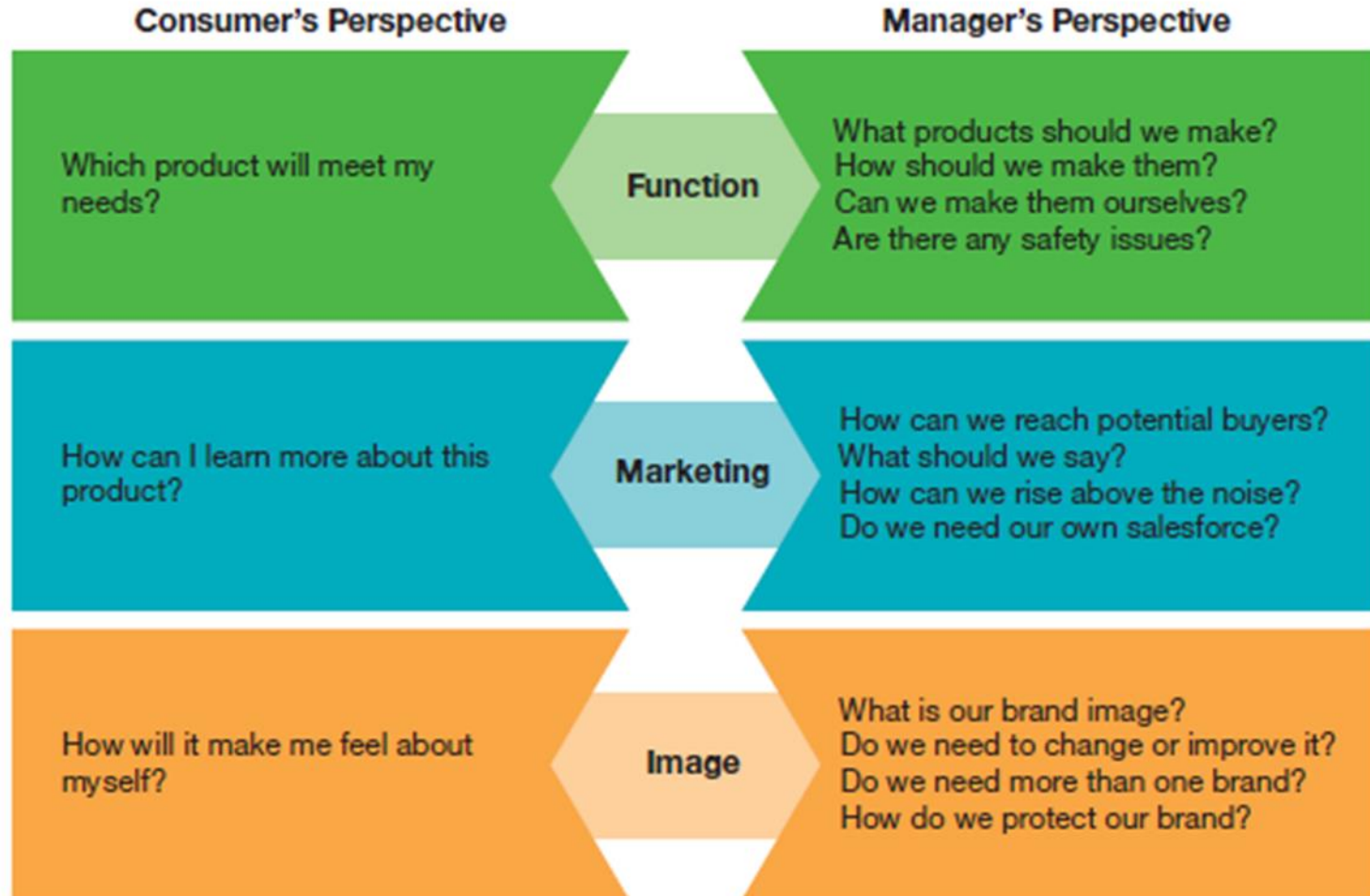


Exhibit 1.3 The Business Mindset (2 of 2)



Exhibit 1.4 Positive and Negative Effects of Business

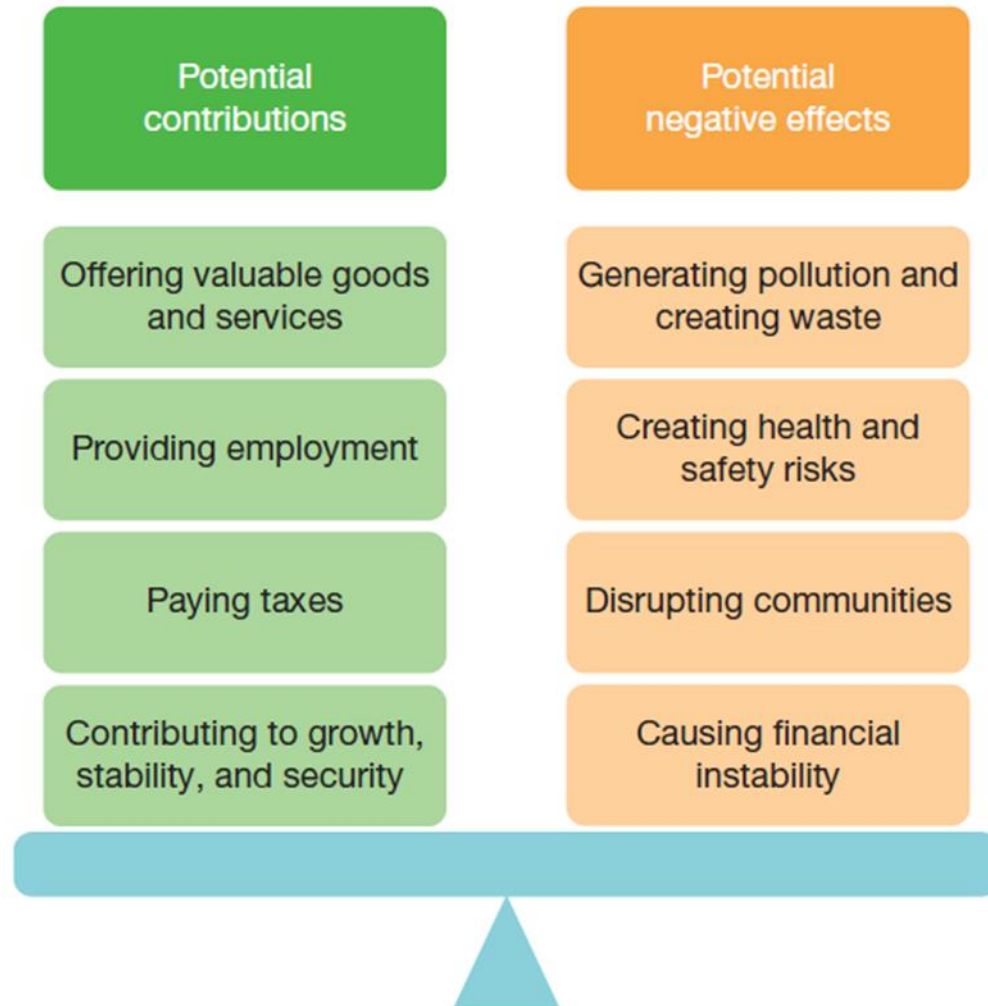


Exhibit 1.5 The Multiple Environments of Business



Recognizing the Multiple Environments of Business (1 of 4)

- **Social environment**
 - Trends and forces in society at large
- **Stakeholders**
 - Internal and external groups affected by a company's decisions and activities.



Recognizing the Multiple Environments of Business (2 of 4)

- **Technological environment**

- Forces resulting from the practical application of science to innovations, products, and processes

- **Disruptive technologies**

- Those that fundamentally change the nature of an industry
- Can be powerful enough to create or destroy entire companies

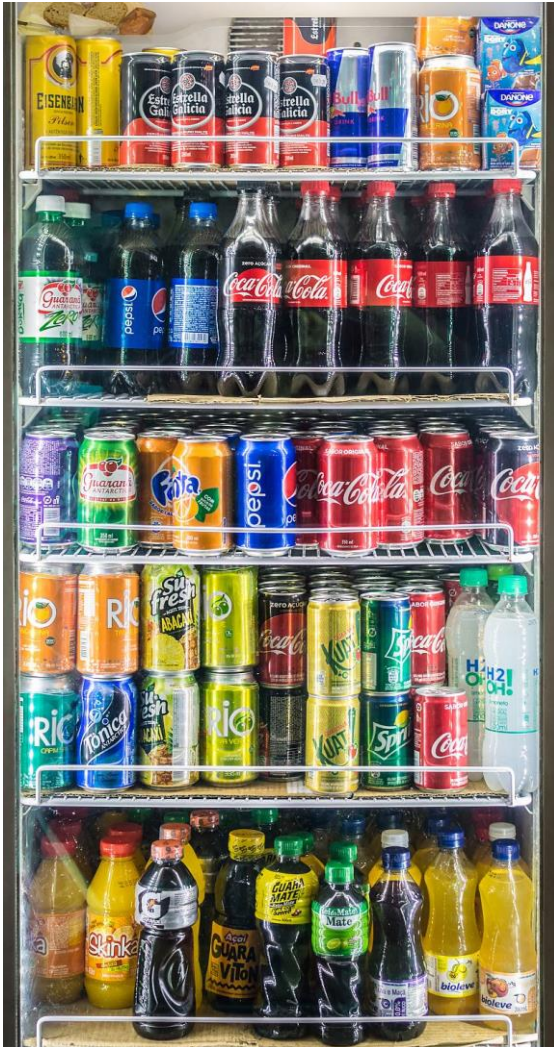


Recognizing the Multiple Environments of Business (3 of 4)

- **Economic environment**
 - The conditions and forces that affect the cost and availability of goods, services, and labor and thereby shape the behavior of buyers and sellers
- **Legal and regulatory environment**
 - Laws and regulations at local, state, national, and even international levels



Recognizing the Multiple Environments of Business (4 of 4)



- **Market environment**
 - A company's target customers, the buying influences that shape the behavior of those customers, and competitors that market similar products to those customers.

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