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About

At Five Star Agency, we pride ourselves on providing high quality deliverables for our clients. We provide a range of services including social media content creation, video creation and editing, and copywriting. Being a smaller firm allows us to be more collaborative and to work with our clients on a personal level.

Work with us, and we'll make sure you receive the Five Star experience.

Rationale

We came up with the name Five Star Agency due to the size of our group. We didn't know much about each other yet, only that we wanted to put our all into this project. The name "Five Star" reflects a five star rating, which has a positive connotation in everyone's minds. Because of this positive correlation, we wanted to incorporate the stars into our logo. We also utilized a swoopy serif font to reflect that, while we take our work seriously, we also enjoy and have fun with what we do.

Logo & Icon







Meet the Team

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Olivia Highton is a senior Media Arts and Design Major with a concentration in Creative Advertising and a minor in Educational Media. She is the co-creative director of JMU's student-run PR firm, Bluestone Communications, and the President of Kappa Pi, the international honors art fraternity. Additionally she is a graphic design intern for JMU Dining Services. Outside of school she enjoys crocheting, scuba diving, and scrapbooking.

Kelly Johnson



Kelly Johnson is a senior Media Arts and Design Major with a concentration in Creative Advertising and a minor in Communications. She is a graphic designer for Student Affairs Communications and Marketing, a small ad agency through the university. She is a member of intramural sports teams and Catholic Campus Ministry. Outside of school, she enjoys playing basketball and painting during her free time.

Sam Kubica



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Emily Myers



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Hayley Wheeler



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RESEARCH



Huy Fong Sriracha

Company

Huy Fong

History

David Tran, the creator of Huy Fong, started producing his sriracha in America in February of 1980. The name Huy Fong originated from the freighter that Tran arrived to America on from Vietnam which was named, Huey Fong. (Heasman 2023).

Purchase Locations

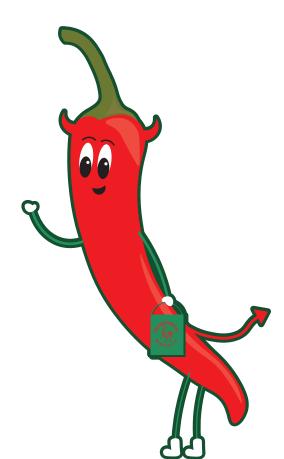
Huy Fong Sriracha can now be purchased by everyday consumers from Grocery Stores such as Kroger and Food Lion as well as Big Box retailers such as Target and Walmart. The product can also be purchased online for wholesale at locations such as WebstaurantStore and Gormet Wholesaler.

Retail Price

Currently in 2023, there is a shortage of Huy Fong's Sriracha, therefore prices are higher than usual. According to eBay (2023) prices are as high as \$100 for a 17 oz. bottle.

According to Kroger (2023), they list the prices before the shortage as being \$3.99 for 17 oz or \$4.99 for 28 oz.

NSIGHTS



Shelf Space

Huy Fong tends to have the same amount of space as other hot sauce companies. However, they only use their space for one product: the sriracha, while other companies use the same amount of space for multiple products (Brighton, 2023).

Main Buyers

The main buyers are people who want to add spice and flavor to their dishes. Additionally, it is mainly people who cook at home roughly aged 18-34. Restaurants such as Asian Cuisine locations also are main purchasers (NBC Universal News Group, 2023).





Main Features

The iconic packaging of the sauce is typically what visually makes Huy Fong Sriracha stand out amongst others. The green cap and rooster on the bottle are also well-known symbols that are eye catching. Even though a lot of people don't know the name of the company, the taste has made it, and its bottle, a fan favorite (Valinsky, 2023).

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Competitors

Tabasco Sriracha

Tabasco Premium Sriracha Sauce dates back to its authentic pepper sauce recipe created in 1868. The brand is known for its strong spicy heat and distinguished chili pepper quality. Tabsco's main ingredients include sweet chilis, Thai spices and spicy red jalapeño peppers. (Tabasco®, 2023)





Yellowbird Sriracha

Yellowbird Sriracha is an original sauce known for its recipe that includes carrots and tangerine juice. Yellowbird offers differing options that all vary in heat. This sauce has a lighter spice component and includes options such as fruity, tangy, or garlicky. (Yellowbird®, 2023)

Frank's RedHot

Frank's Red Hot is on the milder side of hot sauces and offers users a flavorful kick to add to foods. Its recipe is created with a blend of cayenne peppers. They also offer multiple products from original to buffalo. (Frank's® Redhot® US., 2023)





SWOT Analysis

Strenths

- Enhances the flavors of food
- Sold in-store and online
- Most Americans are familiar with Huy Fong Sriracha and its iconic packaging
- Has strong word-of-mouth (Bual, 2023)

Weaknesses

- Current shortage occurring so hard to access and purchase (Tumin & Moses, 2023)
- Bad press due to the shortage
- · Lack of social media presence
- Lack of advertisements (Instagram, 2023)

Opportunities

- Grow their social media presence
- Expand their website and add more information of the products
- TV advertisements
- Advertising the product (Heasman, 2023)

Threats

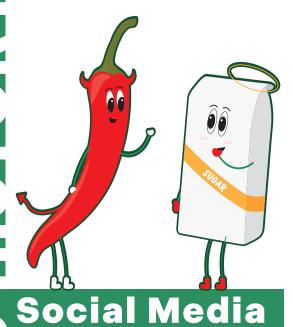
- Other hot sauce companies are active on social media platforms
- Hot sauce companies are taking advantage of their shortages and filling their spots on grocery store shelves (Valinsky, 2023)
- Opposing Sriracha brands (10 Best Sriracha Sauces, 2023)



Word-of-Mouth

Huy Fong has never formally advertised their sriracha. (Bual, 2023) Despite this, they have become well-known and successful just by word of mouth. (Bual, 2023) Re-broadcasting is one of the biggest reasons that they have gone viral. (Bual, 2023)

Influencers and big-name people have uploaded recipes online with Huy Fong Sriracha. These big influencers who talk about the brand like Griffin Hammond continue to promote it by choice (Bual, 2023).



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Huy Fong has a social media presence on Instagram (@huyfongfoods) as well as Facebook (Huy Fong Foods, Inc.). However, they are hardly active and have posted 1 time one Instagram since 2021 and haven't posted on Facebook since 2022 (Bual, 2023).

Personal

Observations



The first time I tried Huy Fong Sriracha was at my local pho restaurant. I really liked that it not only added a bit of heat to the broth, but also added a sweet garlic flavor. Until the Huy Fong shortage, I didn't realize that different srirachas would taste different but when I tried to find an alternative I liked, it was difficult. A lot of other brands were too hot and didn't have the right flavor. Huy Fong is the face of sriracha for a reason, it's truly the best. (Highton, Personal Observation, 2023).



I tried Huy Fong Sriracha for the first time while being a part of this project. I usually always stay away from any hot sauce because it is too hot for me, but after trying the sriracha, it was not as bad as I had imagined. I really liked the sweetness and garlicky flavor. It was not too hot for me like most hot sauces are either. (Johnson, Personal Observation, 2023).



Firstly, I am not typically a fan of any foods that are spicy or hot therefore, I have never been a huge user of hot sauces or sriracha. However, after trying Huy Fong Sriracha I did enjoy how it really had a sweet component that went along with the heat. What sticks out to me the most about Huy Fong Sriracha, in my opinion, is the powerful and explosive taste. (Wheeler, Personal Observation, 2023).



I tried this product was after seeing an influencer on TikTok using it to make a meal. I went to the store, and immediately knew it was a product I was going to use on all my meals. I really liked how it had not only a kick to it, but also a sweetness. Growing up in a family that used hot sauce frequently, I was happy to find another condiment that I could keep in my fridge to add some flavor to my meals.

(Kubica, Personal Observation, 2023)



The first time I tried Huy Fong Sriracha was during the research process of our campaign project. I thought it was quite spicy but the flavor wasn't too bad. I have known about the brand for years because all my friends love Huy Fong Sriracha and I thought that it would be a good time to try it after all these years. I don't think I would personally use this brand a lot because of the level of heat, but I can see why people like the flavor of their food

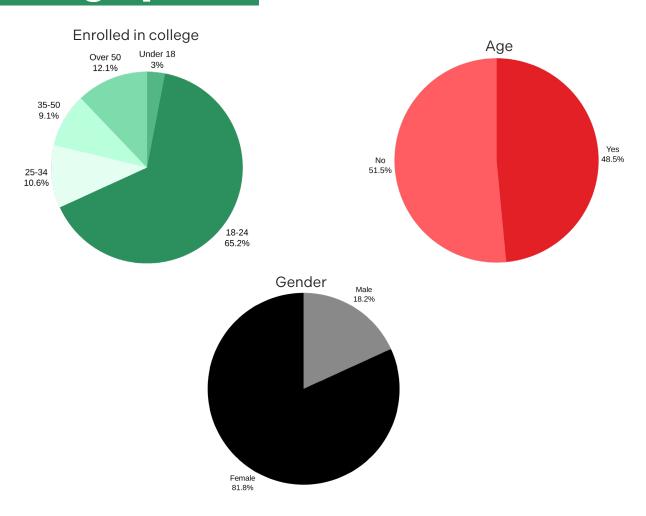
(Myers, Personal Observation, 2023).

Results

For the first form of primary research, Five Star Agency conducted a survey. The survey was 13 questions and received 72 responses. It was sent out by researchers to friends, family, and their personal social media platforms. The main aspects of our research were respondent's familiarity with hot sauce, Sriracha, and Huy Fong Sriracha.

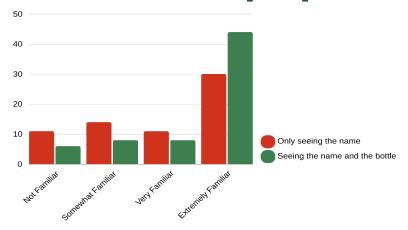
To analyze this data, the researchers decided to utilize bar and pie charts. This makes it easier to visualize the data alongside their analyses. From the survey we found that 92% of respondents have used hot sauce in their lifetime. 29% of respondents use hot sauce often and another 29% use it sometimes on their food, while only 9% have never used it.

Demographics

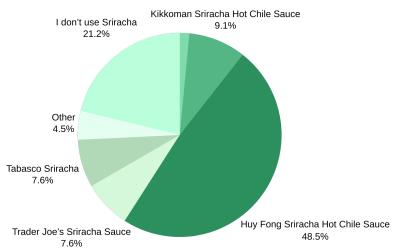


Important Responses

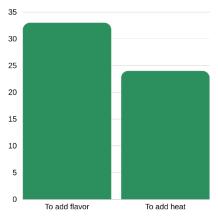
How familiar are people with Huy Fong Sriracha?



What do you use sriracha for?

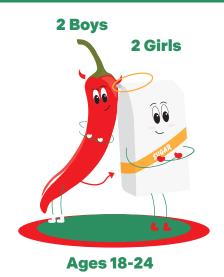


What is your favorite sriracha?





Participants



Research Question: Does branding affect people's perceptions of different hot sauces and srirachas?



Blind Taste Test Results

Overall from the data that was gathered, knowing the brand does not increase the individual's rating of the hot sauce. In many instances, when participants knew the brand of sauce they were trying, they tended to rank it lower compared to their ranking of the sauce during the blind taste test. There were only two instances where the rating for the sauce was the same for both blinded and branded latest tests which were for Tabasco Hot Sauce and Texas Pete Hot Sauce taste tests.

Branded Taste Test Results

Overall there were consistent changes in the rating of the sauces from the blind taste test to the branded taste test. In some instances, the branded test results were rated higher than the blind taste test, but for the majority of answers, participants rated the branded sauces as lower ratings compared to the higher ratings from the blind taste test. The research team concluded that the most important aspects to include in their advertisements were the flavor profile, preferred use, and branding.

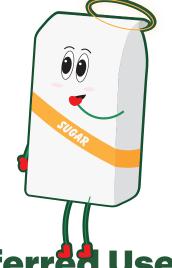
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Common Themes

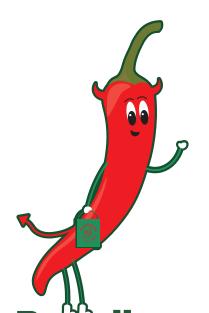
Flavor

The most common observation, that was stated by all four participants, was that sriracha is sweeter than hot sauce. Three participants also noted that the spice kicks in later, rather than at the initial tasting.

When asked when they would use sriracha over hot sauce, all four participants stated that they would use it when they wanted the particular flavor that sriracha has. This showed the researchers that flavor was a big factor in why the participants liked and continued to buy sriracha.



Preferre



When asked what they liked to use sriracha on, three out of four participants said that they preferred to use sriracha on Asian food because it matched the flavor profile of the sriracha. This makes sense as sriracha originated in that area of the world. One respondent also said that they like to use sriracha on their eggs and toast in the morning.

This showed researchers that keeping the association between sriracha and Asian food could possibly be a useful connection. However, there was also potential for it to be used, showcased, and used on more everyday items.

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Lastly, the participants were asked what they thought was the most recognizable aspect of Huy Fong's branding. All of them mentioned that it was a combination of the green cap and the rooster on the bottle. They talked about how the bottle was very recognizable and something that they wouldn't want the brand to ever change.

This showed researchers that they should implement elements from the bottle into their design because of how recognizable and familiar it is to consumers.



Target



Kylie Wilson is a 20 year old white woman who lives in a small one-bedroom apartment in Chicago, Illinois. She is a part-time student at a local community college and a part-time employee, making \$28,000 per year. She commutes to work and school by taking the transit bus through the city. She is single and enjoys meeting new people and going on dates. She spends a lot of time scrolling through social media, playing guitar and playing video games with her friends. She also enjoys writing songs and learning yoga during her free-time. She is interested in eating healthy and will only eat organic foods. She disciplines herself in being budget-conscious and financially aware. Saving money is important for her because living in the city is expensive, especially while making minimum wage. She is a climate change activist and recycles when she is home. She is motivated by self-expression and focused on her work and music.

Current Mindset

Kylie likes sriracha because it's a cheap, low calorie way to add flavor to simple meals.

Desired Mindset

We want Kylie to think that Huy Fong has the best flavor compared to other hot sauces and srirachas. We also want her to recognize the brand from the bottle.

Competitors

Kylie thinks **Frank's Red Hot** has a lot of flavor for a regular hot sauce and is a popular sauce among her and her friends. Kylie likes to use **Tobasco Sriracha** when she wants more flavor from her hot sauce; she likes the chili flavor. She wants to like regular **Tobasco** because it's popular with her friends, but it is too hot for her.

Message Objectives

Utilizing brand recall by placing the Huy Fong logo, brand colors, and brand mascots in each deliverable.

Big Idea

Huy Fong Sriracha has both flavor and heat.

Evidence

The Huy Fong Sriracha ingredients uses chili peppers for its heat and sugar to round out its sweet, flavorful taste. The participants in the focus group commented on how the sriracha was hot and flavorful.

Creative Execution

Using graphics, the ads will use two characters, a red chili pepper and a bag of sugar. Each ad will have a different 1-2 word headline that corresponds with the graphics and a consistent tagline paired with the logo.

Tone

Friendly, casual, light-hearted and humorous.

Mandatories

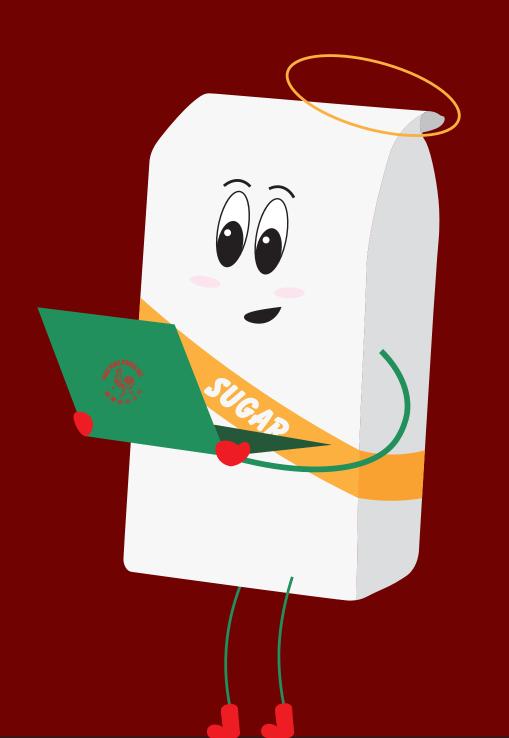
Logo, brand name, brand colors, tagline and headline.

Deliverables

3 print, 2 social media (5 posts each), 2 out-of-home, 1 guerilla marketing, 1 TV commercial, 1 viral video, and 1 product placement.



CAMPAIGN



Overall Concept

For this campaign, we took a humorous approach focusing on two characters, Chili and Sweeti. We went with short, one to two word headlines describing the character's action in each ad. We used a consistent tagline, "Huy Fong Sriracha. Where flavor meets heat", in combination with the logo in order to create brand recognition amoung the audience.

Ш Tagline

We chose the tagline "Huy Fong Sriracha. Where flavor meets heat" mostly to increase brand recognition. A major problem for the company is that people don't know it's name, they only know what the bottle looks like. We also wanted it to get across the message that Huy Fong Sriracha isn't just an ordinary hot sauce, it has the perfect balance of flavor and heat.

Colors

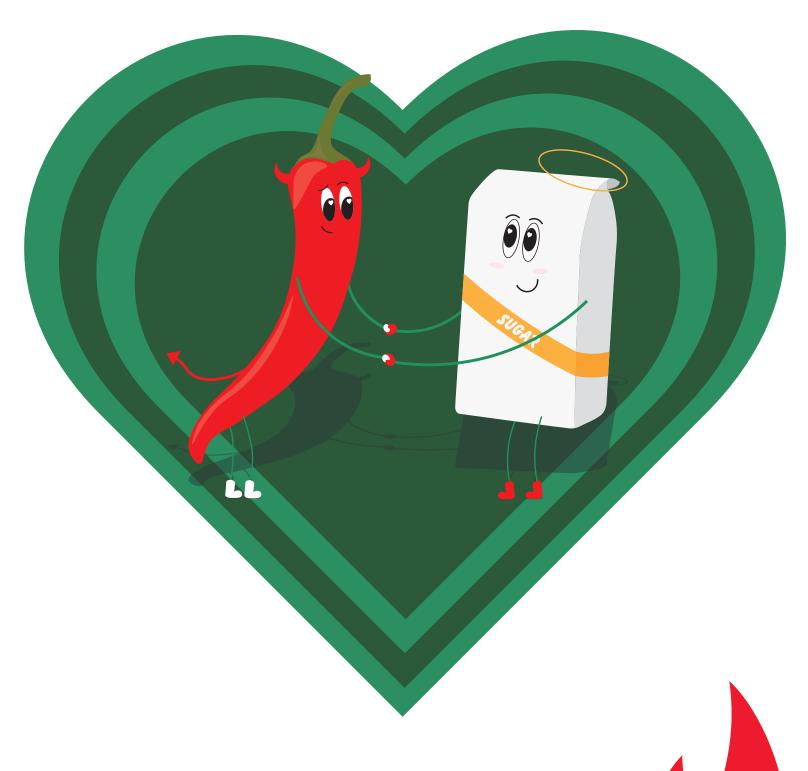
The colors that we chose were the existing colors of the brand. We chose to stick with these colors because they reflect the design of the bottle that most people recognize the brand by. The red reflects the color of the sauce, and the green is the same as the cap on the bottle. In order to steer away from the connection to Christmas that this color combination has, we utilized a black background to darken our designs and to make our characters pop.

Typography

The font that we chose for our headlines and taglines was Balloon SC D in Extra Bold because it is the brand font for Huy Fong. For our ads that utilize body copy, we used Indivisible Regular. It's a simple sans serif that pairs well with the decorative nature of Balloon.

Design Elements

All of our deliverables utilize graphics based around two characters, Chili and Sweeti. Chili is a chili pepper meant to represent the spicy kick of Huy Fong, and Sweeti is a bag of sugar meant to represent the sweetness and flavorfulness of Huy Fong. We created all of our graphics from scratch and utilized a more simplistic 2D approach.



Meet Chili and Sweeti!

Chili and Sweeti are the embodiment of the perfect pair. They are best friends and lovers all in one. We want our audience to have a personal investment in their story, and therefore in Huy Fong.

Unused Headlines

Wanna heat things up? This is why we think you're HOT We think you're hot Feeling spicy? Need some spice in your life? You've got a hot bod... Is it hot in here or is that just you? Do you feel the heat? You'll get a kick out of this Beginners guide to spice/heat things up Is your life bland? Does life kick you in the butt? Let's Spice Things Up. Wanna kick up the heat? Add a little bit of spice. Spice up your life. Let's kick it up a notch Feeling uninspired? Wanna take it up a notch? Beat the heat with Huy Fong Your taste buds will thank you. Your mouth won't be the same. Your tongue has feelings too. Kick-off your week with Huy Fong Sriracha Heat up your favorite meals with Huy Fong Sriracha Get a kick out of your meal with Huy Fong Sriracha Kick-start your cooking journey with Huy Fong Sriracha Feed your soul with Huy Fong Your stomach will thank you. Your life needs some spice. Wanna spice up your ____?

Final Headlines

Double Trouble Perfect Pair Power Couple Dream Team Dynamic Duo
Tastebud Explosion
Soulmates
Enemies to Lovers



Unused Taglines

Add a kick to your life.

Give it a kick

Kick-off your day with Huy Fong Sriracha

Ignite your next meal with Huy Fong Sriracha

Bring on the kick

Enjoy the kick

Turn up the heat with Huy Fong

Taste the heat

Kick back with Huy Fong

Sriracha strikes

Kick up the heat.

What's your kick?

Kick up your life.

Be Bold.

Kick of taste. Kick of heat.

Bring on Huy Fong

Bring on the flavor. Unleash the heat.

Spice it up.

Tasty. Spicy. Huy Fong.

Kick it up a notch with Huy Fong.

Spice up your life with Huy Fong.

Ignite the flavor.

Taste the heat.

Give your mouth a kick.

Move your feet. Go taste the heat.

Take a seat. Enjoy the heat.

The SPICE is NICE

Release the heat

Heat is neat

Don't waste your taste

With a touch of Huy Fong

Just add Huy Font

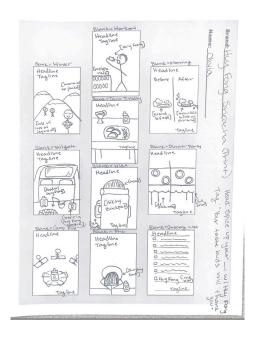
Bring on the Huy Fong

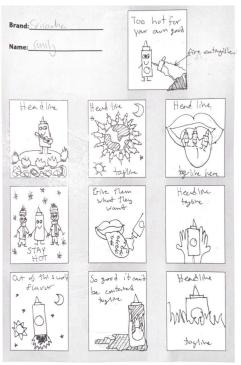
Your taste buds will thank you

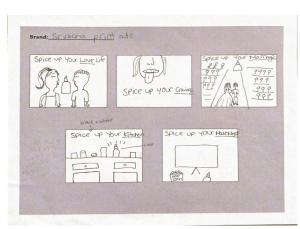
Final Tagline

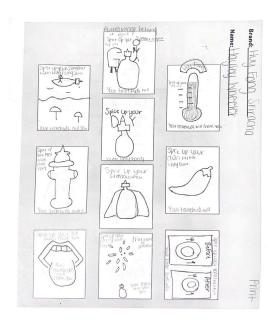
Huy Fong Sriracha. Where flavor meets heat.

Sketches

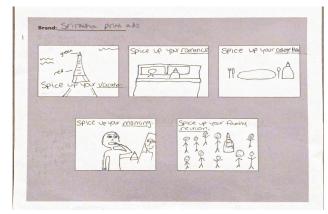






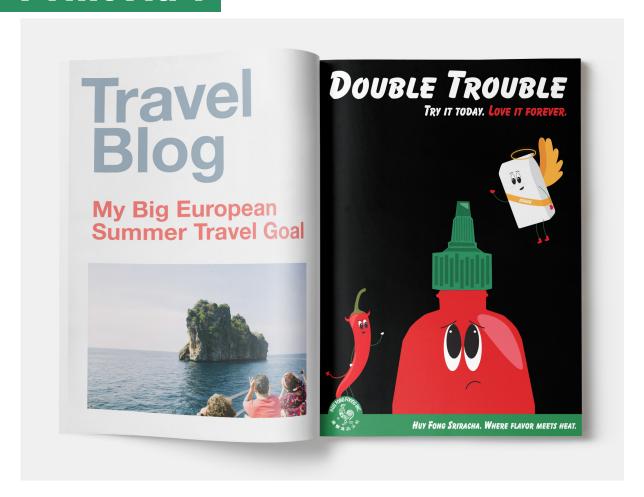






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Print Ad 1



Rationale

For all of our print ads, we used the "Double Trouble" headline and had the characters in funny situations in order to catch the eyes of readers. We also added a call to action on the post to try and convince readers to try Huy Fong Sriracha. We utilized a green bar at the bottom with the logo and the tagline to make it stand out. This first ad features Chili and Sweeti as the Huy Fong bottle's consciences. We thought that our target audience would enjoy it because of it's humorous nature.

Print Ad 2



Rationale

For this second ad, we played off of the pose that is associated with the phrase "Double Trouble." It originated from the movie Double Trouble which had the main characters doing the pose on the movie poster. Since then, it is a common pose for friends to do in photos. We thought it would resonate with our target audience as a fun and relatable situation.

Print Ad 3



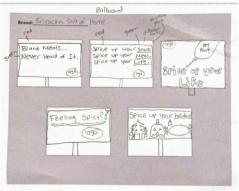
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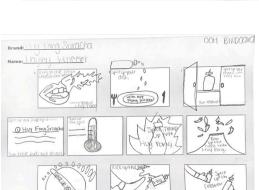
For our final print ad, we chose to base it around a pho soup bowl. Sriracha is often used with asian cuisine, as it is from Vietnam. Pho is a Vietnamese soup, and most, if not all, pho restaurants have sriracha on the table. So we made the color of the broth as if someone had added sriracha to the soup. We then added Chili diving in off of the chopsticks to scare Sweeti, who's relaxing in the soup like a hot tub, for the comedic effect to catch the attention of our target audience.

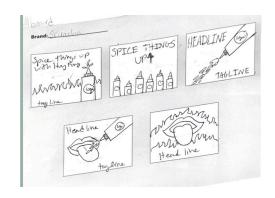
Billboard

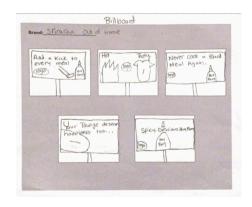
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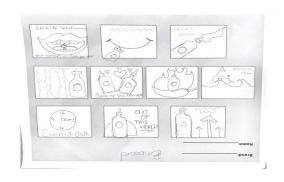


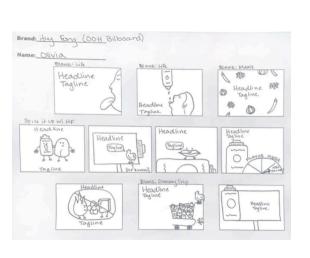












OUT-OF-HOME

Mockup

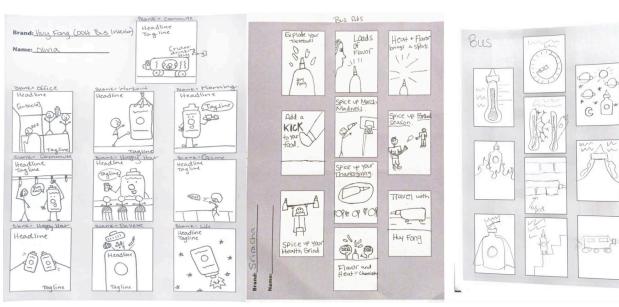


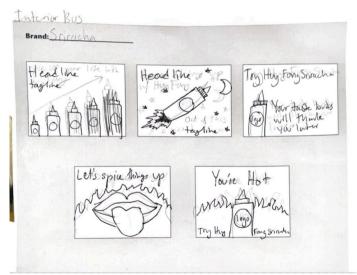
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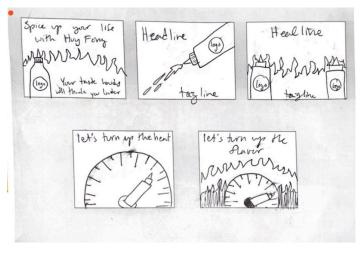
We chose to have an Out-of-Home billboard ad because our target audience lives in the city where billboards are most common. This large-scale ad would be easily seen by a high population of drivers and pedestrians. This ad portrays the characters, Chili and Sweeti, tipping over a large Huy Fong Sriracha bottle off the billboard. We wanted the billboard to be eye-catching by having the sauce pour out from the side of the billboard, as if it is actually being poured out in real life. The billboard headline is "Double Trouble" because both of the characters are acting mischievous and up to no good. The characters represent the heat and flavor that comes as a duo within each taste of the sriracha. We also chose to have a black background in order for the bottle and characters to stand out from afar.

Bus Ad

Sketches









OUT-OF-HOME

Mockup

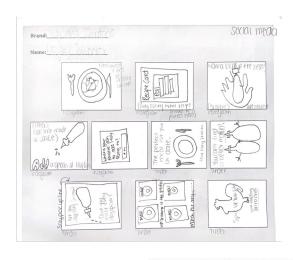


Rationale

We chose to have an Out-of-Home bus ad because our target audience lives in Chicago and takes the transit bus throughout the city to get to school and work. The ad is on the back of the bus because it would be easy to see from any driving vehicle or pedestrian. We wanted the ad to portray the characters, Chili and Sweeti, looking out of the window, waving at people as they pass by or are behind the transit bus. The headline we chose for this ad was "Package Deal", which signifies that the pair is stuck with each other wherever they go. The ad shows the two characters holding suitcases, as if they are traveling together in the bus. We want the audience to understand that Huy Fong Sriracha has both the elements of flavor and heat in every taste. The black background allows for the characters to stand out because they are a part of the big idea. We made sure to have the tagline and logo at the bottom so that the audience could easily identify that this is an ad for Huy Fong Sriracha.

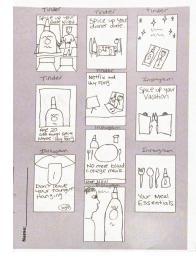
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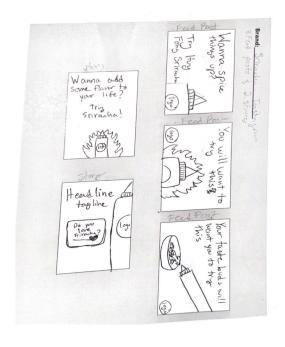


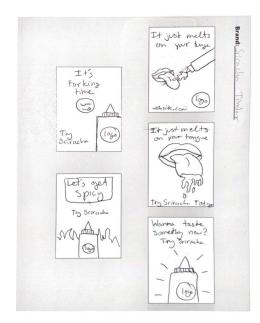












SOCIAL MEDIA

Rationales

Instagram

For the social media component of this product we decided to use Instagram as our primary social media platform. We felt that Instagram was the perfect platform for our target audience and would be able to express our big idea in the best way possible. Currently, Instagram holds the number four spot for the most used social media platform. With over 2.35 billion users, Instagram is predicted to reach 2.5 billion users by the end of 2023 [Ruby, 2023].

For our five deliverables, we chose to include a feed post, story, carousel post, reel, and explore page. Our **feed post** included a graphic we created from scratch with our call to action in the caption. The **story** included a graphic with an interactive poll, where users can choose if they are "team heat" or "team sweet". Our **carousel** post includes 3 graphics of why the sweet flavor and the heat of the sriracha are the perfect combo. The images include our two characters explaining why they work well with one another. The **reel** video is a one minute video that includes two people answering trivia questions about Huy Fong Sriracha. One person represents team heat and the other is team sweet. For our last deliverable, we made a graphic for the **explore page** emphasizing the burst of flavor sriracha gives meals, with the call to action included in the caption.

Tinder

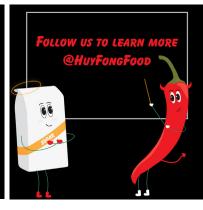
For our second social media platform, we chose Tinder. We felt that this social media site would best fit our target audience and specifically our persona we created, Kylie. One of Kylie's hobbies is going out on dates, so tinder is a perfect platform for her to be a part of. Gen Z are digital natives, so finding dates off of apps is a normal part of life. Tinder, although not new to users, is newer to advertising. We also thought that it would be to our client's advantage to enter into Tinder's advertising space before it became too saturated.

Mockups

Instagram



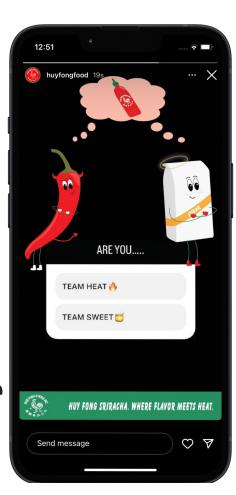
The perfect combination of flavor and heat.
A smooth paste made with fresh chillies.
The perfect sauce for all your needs...*wink*



SOCIAL MEDIA Carousel

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Story







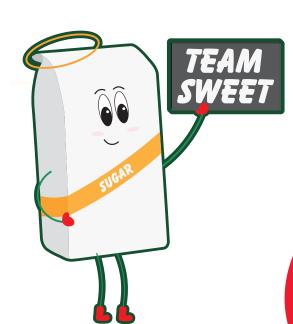


Feed Post

Reel

Explore Post







Mockups

Tinder



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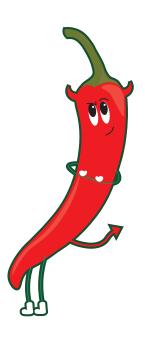


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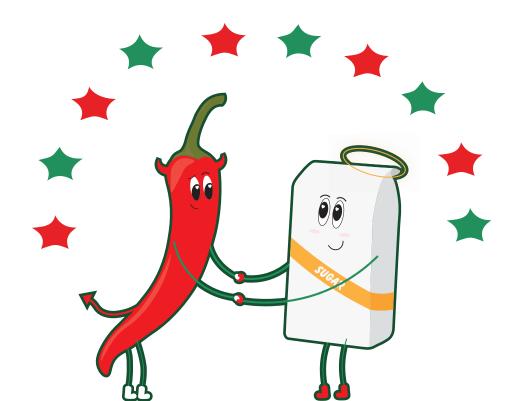






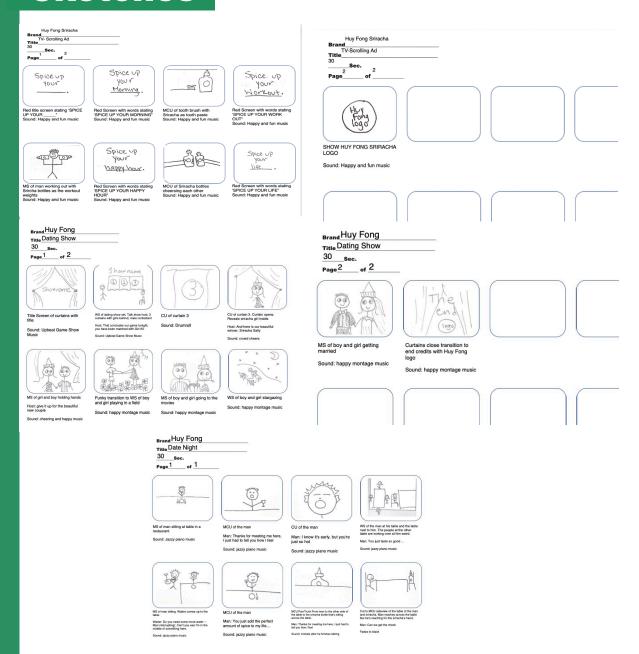
Ad 5





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Sketches



Rationale

For this advertisement we wanted to take a humorous approach, but also include our big idea of flavor and heat into the commercial. We included certain dialogue to speak about all of the elements that go into Huy Fong Sriracha. With the combination of our comedic script and the setting of a romantic "date" for our actor and the Huy Fong Sriracha bottle, it is almost impossible to not break out in a laugh by the end!

Script

1. MS OF A MAN SITTING AT A TABLE AT A SOUND: LIGHT JAZZ MUSIC RESTAURANT

2. MCU OF A MAN SITTING AT A TABLE MAN: Thank you for meeting me here. I just had to tell you how I feel

and I've been wanting to get something off my chest for a while

now.

3. CU OF MAN AT THE TABLE MAN: I just think you are so sweet.

Not to mention you always know how to heat things up, especially in

the dining room.

4. MS OF MAN SITTING AT THE TABLE AND THE WAITER STANDING NEXT TO

THE TABLE

MAN: You just add the perfect amount of spice to my life and are the ultimate mix of everything that

I've been looking for.

5. MCU OF MAN TALKING AND EATING WAITER: Do you two need some

more wine-

MAN: Can't you see I am in the

middle of something? WAITER: Yes! So sorry.

6. MCU OF THE BOTTLE AT THE TABLE MAN: What can I say, you're fun, you're

crazy. You're an awesome time to have with.

You just taste so good.

7. MCU OF MAN TALKING SOUND: CONTINUE OF LIGHT JAZZ

<u>MUSIC</u>

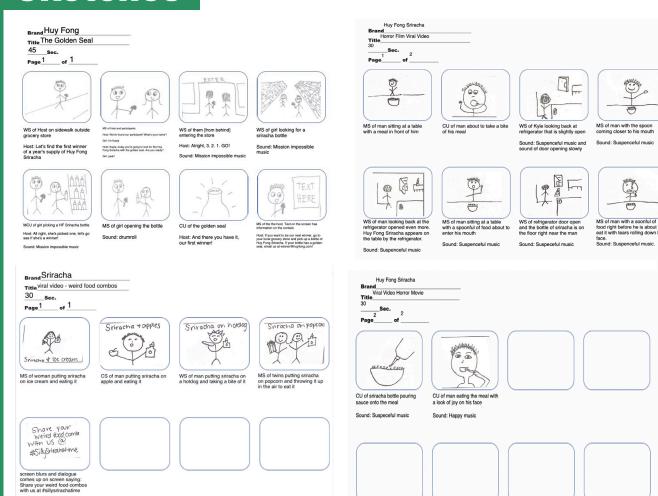
8. MS OF MAN AT THE TABLE MAN:Can we get the check, please?

9. ENDSCREEN WITH CU OF BOTTLE AT THE TABLE AND HEADLINE AND TAGLINE

Key Frame



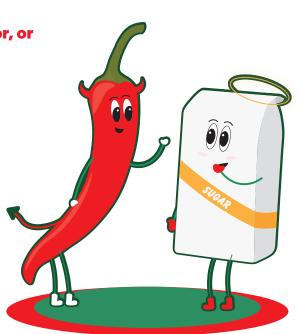
Sketches



Questions in Video

1. Do you use sriracha?

2. Do you like sriracha for the sweet flavor, or the level of heat?



Mockup



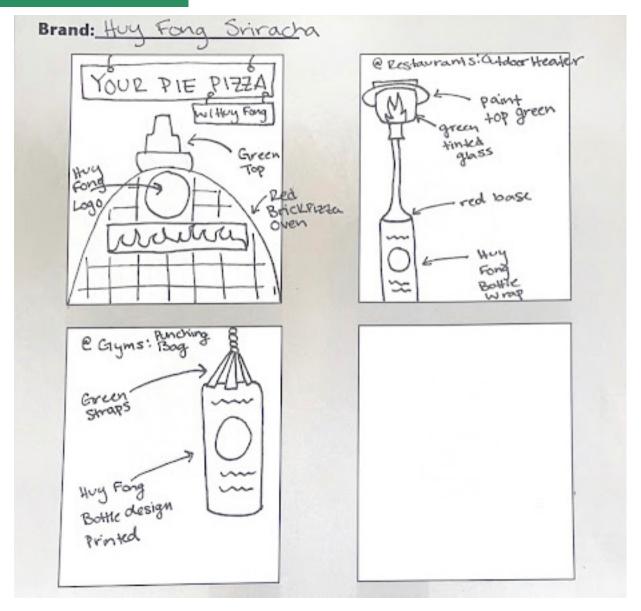




Rationale

For our viral video we wanted to have people choose team heat or team sweet based off of why they like Huy Fong Sriracha. We asked students at James Madison University if they liked sriracha for the sweet flavor or the level of heat. We chose to interview college students because our persona for our campaign is also in college and we wanted to ask our target audience their opinion on sriracha. To make this a viral video we have a hashtag, **#HFSSWEETVHEAT**, that people can use on social media to say if they are either team sweet or team heat.

Sketches



Final Idea

Our final idea was to create a transit bench with 3D versions of the characters sitting on top of it. That way when you sit on the bench in front of them, it will look like they are sitting on your shoulder, like a conscience. We also have a call to action on the top of the bench for people to post their picture and say if they're Team Sweet or Team Heat by using our hashtag and tagging Huy Fong on Instagram.

DNITEXEDNO

Mockup





Rationale

We decided on a transit bench as our target audience lives in the city and uses public transportation. These benches are located in places like bus stops, train stops, and subway stations. Since our target audience is part of Gen Z, we thought that the Instagram call to action would help make it more relevant to them.

Fortnite

History

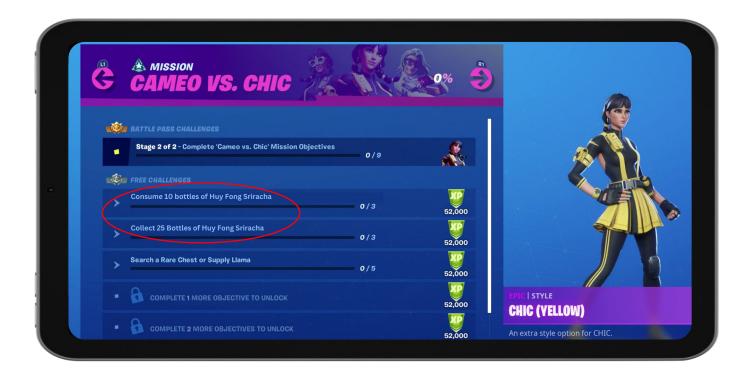
Fortnite was created then released in 2017 by the company Epic Games. The online video game allows its users to play in an open-world type environment. This can either be played alone or with friends! The game allows you to earn different "skins" which lets you dress your character. In addition to skins, there are opportunities to complete challenges where players can collect certain objects to access rewards. The goal is to be the last player standing and collecting these skins and objects has become increasingly popular. (Aiden, 2019)

Rationale

We chose Fortnite as our branded product placement due to how popular this online video game is with our target audience. Our target audience is very active on social media and up to date with the most relevant games and trends. The target audience also enjoys playing video games where they can engage with their friends. Along with our audience, Fortnite provides a great opportunity for players to creatively engage with popular brands and companies. Fornite is also free and easily accessible in comparison to other video games.



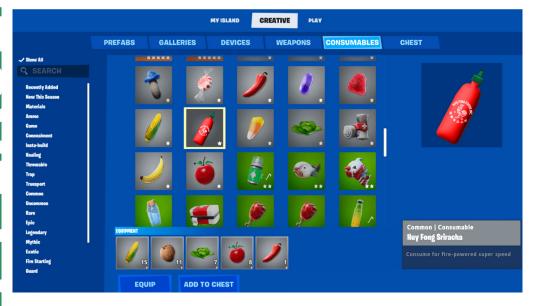
Verbal Placements





Visual Placements

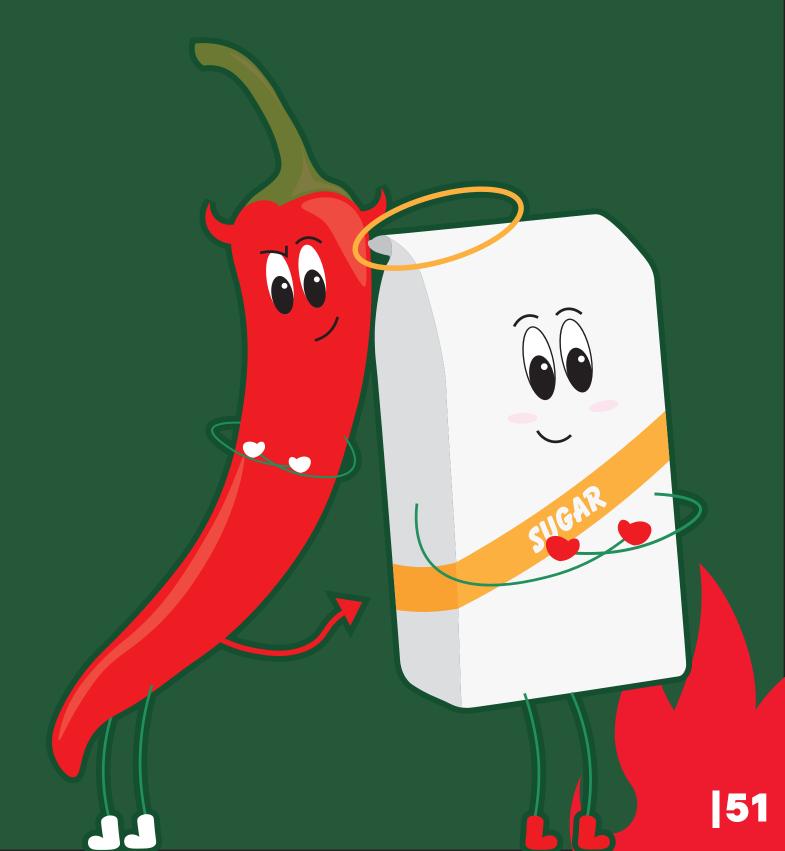




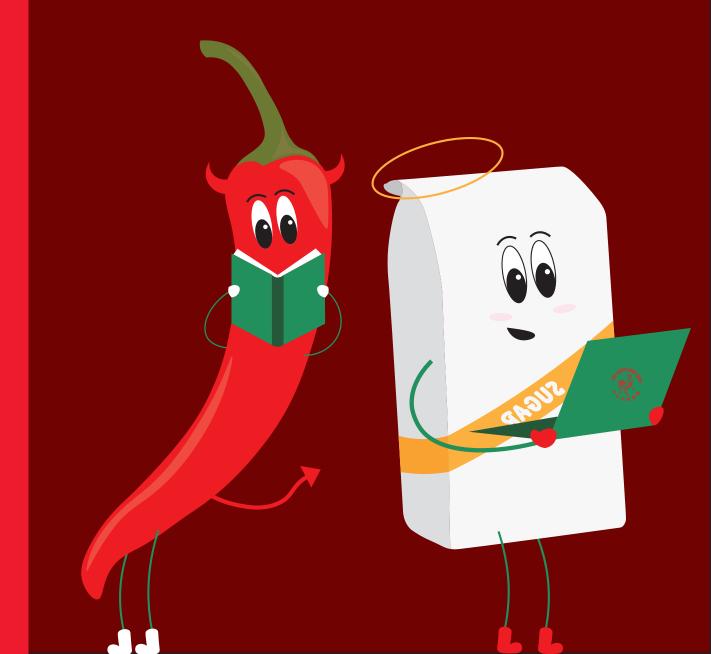


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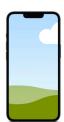
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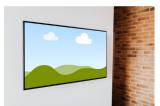
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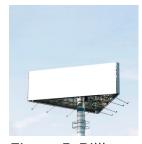
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Figure 8. Blank Fortnite Character Mockup



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Figure 9. Kelly Johnson's Instagram post.



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