

Step-by-Step Guide To

FACEBOOK LEAD GENERATION ADS



Know Your Audience

Before you can attract leads to your Facebook ad, you need to understand who your prospect is.

Here, it helps to paint a detailed <u>customer profile</u>, and more importantly, to create a hook that will entice them to click on your ad.

What are examples of these hooks?

- **Have**: What will your customer have if they take up your offer? This would be your lead magnet (more later).
- **Feel**: How will your customer feel when they respond to your offer? Probably more confident, better prepared, or fitter and smarter?
- Average Day: How will their average day change once they respond to your offer?
- **Status**: Are there any changes in their status? For instance, they may be equipped with new knowledge and skills to grow their business multi-fold.
- Pain to Gain: What will your offer do to solve their pain points?
- **Transformation**: Is there any transformative power in your offer? How will it change the game for them?
- Irresistible Offer: Can you take away any of the risks involved? For example, by offering a guarantee? Or better yet, make it free without any credit card?
- **Speed and Automation**: Are there any quick gains that you can offer? How soon can they see results?

Bear in mind that these hooks form the bait that you'll dangle to attract people to click on your ad.



Create Your Lead Magnet

In the old outbound marketing days, leads are generated by telemarketers making cold calls. Or they could be name cards that you've collected from a trade-show.

With the advent of online channels, lead generation typically comes with the trifecta of lead gen campaigns:

- 1. Offer an attractive gift to your prospect—this is your lead magnet
- 2. Ask the prospect to fill in their particulars—what we call an opt-in form—on a landing page
- 3. Promote this offer through an online ad

When we look at the range of lead magnets, they vary in complexity and type. This depends on what's acceptable in your industry and includes:

- eBooks, Guides, or Physical Books
- Webinars
- Email mini-courses
- Video tutorials
- Samples of products
- Physical Events

For the campaign that we launched, we developed a 23 page eBook offering online writing secrets as shown

- Physical Events
- Diagnostic Tools
- Checklists or Templates
- Free consultations

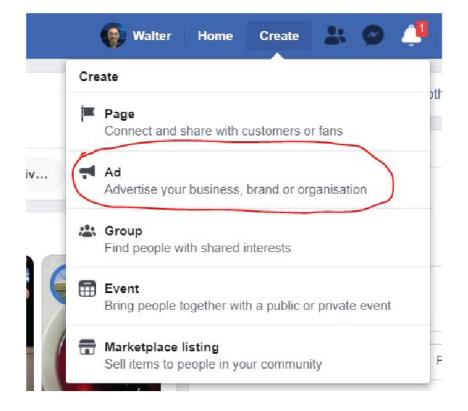


Choose Facebook Lead Generation Campaign

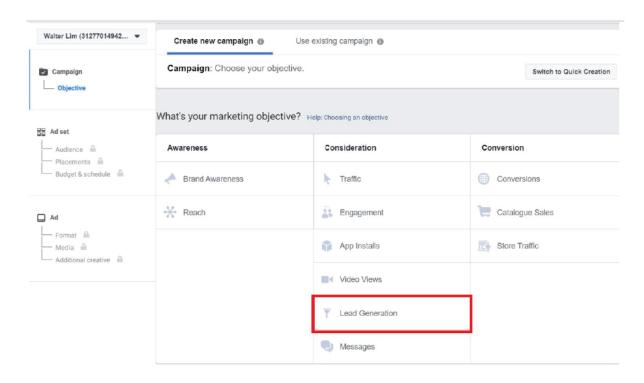
Next, you'll need to log into Facebook Ads Manager to do your Facebook Lead Generation Campaign.

Go into

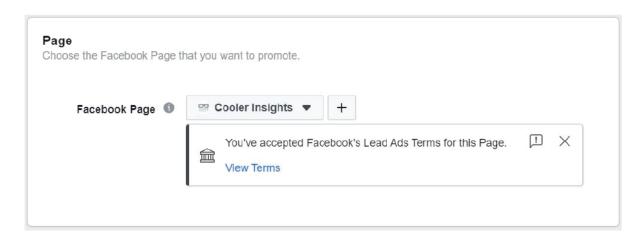
https://facebook.com/ads/manager or click on "Create --> Ad" as shown.



This will bring you to the ad creation tool of Facebook Ads Manager. Choose the "**Lead Generation**" campaign objective under "**Consideration**" as shown here.



As part of the ad creation process, you'll need to agree with Facebook's Lead Ads terms.



There is quite a lot of legalese in there, but the main thing is to be honest, transparent and open about what you're doing with the leads. It also protects Facebook from errant users — we certainly don't want any Cambridge Analytica data scandals!

Lead Adverts Terms

Facebook provides a feature that enables you to run an advertising unit allowing a Facebook user to provide their email address or other user information to you ("Lead Adverts"). By clicking "Agree" and using this feature, you agree to the following:

- A. You are solely responsible for ensuring that each Lead Advert submitted by you complies with these terms, the SRR (as defined below, including the Facebook Advertising Policies located at https://www.facebook.com/policies/ads, which include the Lead Adverts Policy, and the Facebook Platform Policy located at https://developers.facebook.com/policy/) and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including providing all necessary disclosures to Facebook users). If you are accepting these terms on behalf of a third party, you represent and warrant that you have the authority as an agent to such party to use such features on their behalf and bind such party to these terms.
- B. You will ensure that each Lead Advert includes the following disclosures to Facebook users: (i) all disclosures and choice mechanisms necessary and sufficient to comply with applicable laws, rules and regulations, including any necessary Offer Terms promoted in the Lead Advert (e.g. criteria to qualify, expiry date or limitations on redemption) ("Offer Terms"); (ii) a clear and prominent disclosure that if a user submits data to you through a Lead Advert, such data will be governed by your privacy policy; and (iii) a link to your privacy policy. You will further ensure that no Lead Adverts will be targeted to any minors.
- C."Lead Advert Data" means the information that a Facebook user elects to send to you through a Lead Advert, which may consist of such Facebook user's email address and any additional user information.
- D. You may only use the Lead Advert Data in accordance with these terms; the Facebook Platform Policy; the Facebook Advertising Policies; your privacy policy; any Offer Terms, consents, additional terms and conditions agreed to by the Facebook user when agreeing to provide Lead Advert Data to you through the Lead Adverts and applicable laws, rules and regulations (including all applicable data privacy, advertising, telemarketing or other laws, including without limitation, as applicable, the US Telephone Consumer Protection Act of 1991 and its implementing regulations, 47 U.S.C. Section 227 and 47 C.F.R. Section 64.1200 and the US Telemarketing Sales Rule, 16 C.F.R. Part 310, the US Controlling the Assault of Non-Solicited Pornography and Marketing Act of 2003 and its implementing regulations, 15 U.S.C. Section 103 and 16 C.F.R. Part 316). If you are receiving Lead Advert Data on behalf of an advertiser, you may only use or share such Lead Advert Data on such advertiser's behalf, and you may not augment, commingle or supplement such Lead Advert Data with any other data from any other advertiser.
- E. You may not sell Lead Advert Data under any circumstances, and you may not transfer Lead Advert Data except as explicitly provided in the next sentence. Subject to your privacy policy, these terms, any Offer Terms and your compliance with applicable laws, rules and regulations, Facebook is not restricting you from transferring Lead Advert Data with an Affiliate, franchisee or third party acting solely on your behalf to fulfill the purpose for which the Lead Advert Data was collected (as described to the user at the point of collection). In the event that you share Lead Advert Data with an Affiliate, franchisee or third party acting on your behalf, you do so solely at your own risk, and you will ensure that any such Affiliate, franchisee or third party complies with these terms and all applicable laws, rules and regulations. "Affiliate" means an entity which, directly or indirectly, owns or controls, is owned or is controlled by, or is under common ownership or control with you.
- F. You will have in place appropriate technical and organisational measures to protect Lead Advert Data against accidental or unlawful destruction or accidental loss, alteration, unauthorised disclosure or access, and which provide a level of security appropriate to the risk represented by the processing and the nature of the data to be protected. Lead Advert Data may be made available to you through protocols specified by Facebook (including Facebook APIs), and your use of such protocols must comply with Facebook's Platform Policy.
- G. Facebook may modify, suspend or terminate access to, or discontinue the availability of, the Lead Adverts feature at any time. You may discontinue your use of the Lead Adverts feature at any time.

These terms govern your use of the Lead Adverts feature. They do not replace any terms applicable to your purchase of advertising inventory from Facebook (including, but not limited to, the Facebook Advertising Policies), and such terms will continue to apply. This Lead Adverts feature is part of "Facebook" under Facebook's Statement of Rights and Responsibilities (https://www.facebook.com/lega//terms, the "SRR"), and your use of the Lead Adverts feature is deemed part of your use of, and actions on, "Facebook". In the event of any express conflict between these terms and the SRR, these terms will govern solely with respect to your use of the Lead Adverts feature and solely to the extent of the conflict. Facebook reserves the right to monitor or audit your compliance with these terms and to update these terms from time to time, and your continued use of this feature constitutes acceptance of those changes.

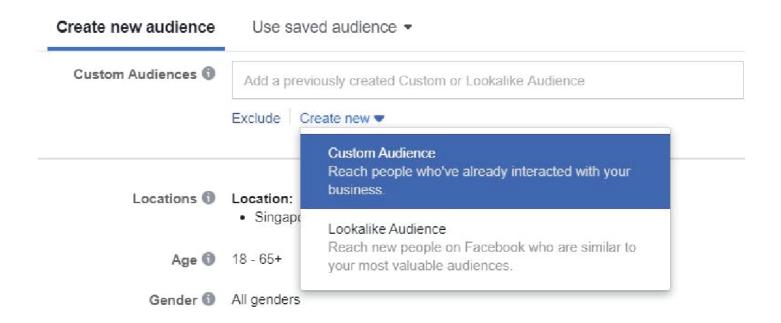
Set the Right Audiences

The next step you need to do is to choose the right audiences. As leads are considered warm audiences, it makes sense for you to target people who are more likely to convert on your leads.

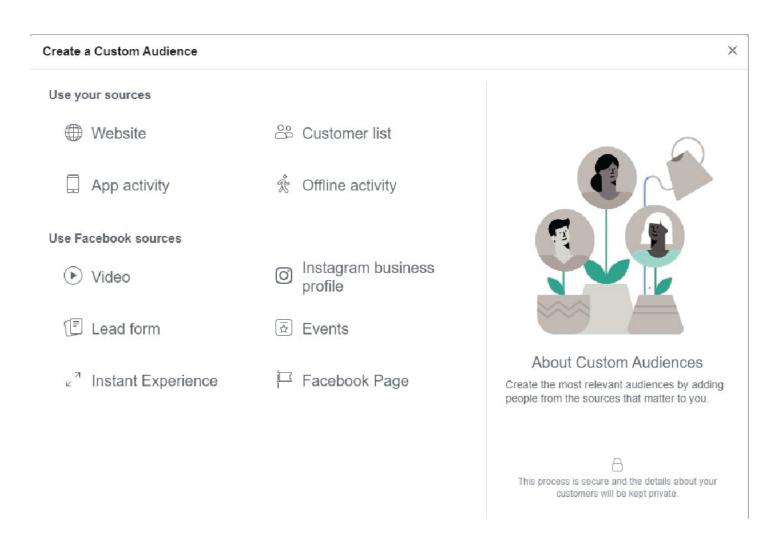
A good way to do this is to create **Custom Audiences** of people from different sources, followed by **Lookalike Audiences**.

First, Create Your Custom Audiences

Go to "Create new audience" and under the "Custom Audiences" window, choose "Create new" followed by "Custom Audience".



Next, follow the steps to choose the preferred Custom Audience of your choice. Depending on your set-up, they may be Website visitors (you'll need to install a Facebook Pixel on your website to achieve this), Customer list (you need to set up your <u>Business Manager</u> to use this function), as well as various other sources including Facebook sources.

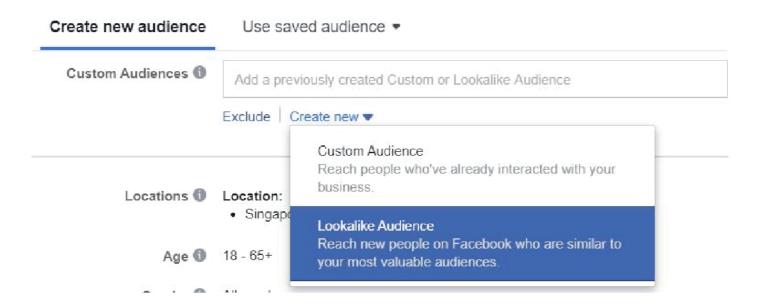


Once you've created your Custom Audiences, they should appear on your "Custom Audience" window when you click on it in future.

Create new audience	Use saved audience ▼	
Custom Audiences ①	Add a previously created Custom or Lookalike Audience	
	All Lookalike Audience Custom Audience	
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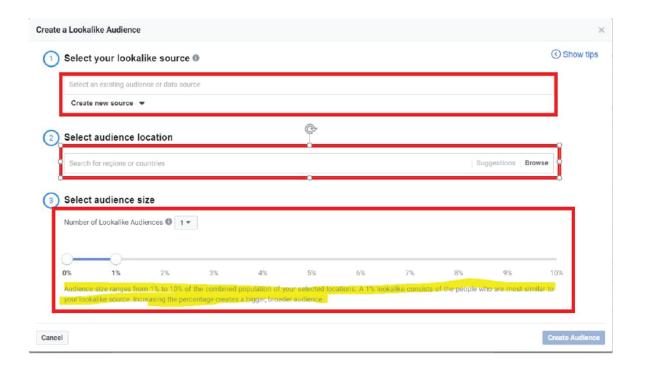
Next, Create Your Lookalike Audiences

From your Custom Audience, you should create a Lookalike Audience. Facebook's algorithm will then choose people who are most like the "seed" Custom Audience which you choose, based on their similarity.

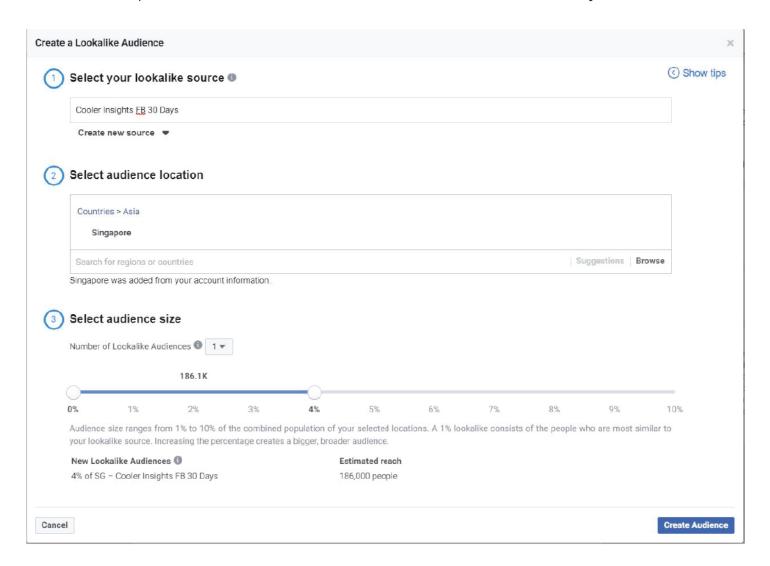


Once you've selected this option, various fields for Lookalike Audience emerges. The areas to consider are:

- 1. Your "seed" source of audience to build a Lookalike Audience from. This could either be your fans on your page, or various Custom Audiences.
- 2. The location of your audience
- 3. The similarity to your seed audience and the size of the audience you want. Generally speaking, I'll try to aim for a size of at least 100,000 to 200,000 or more.



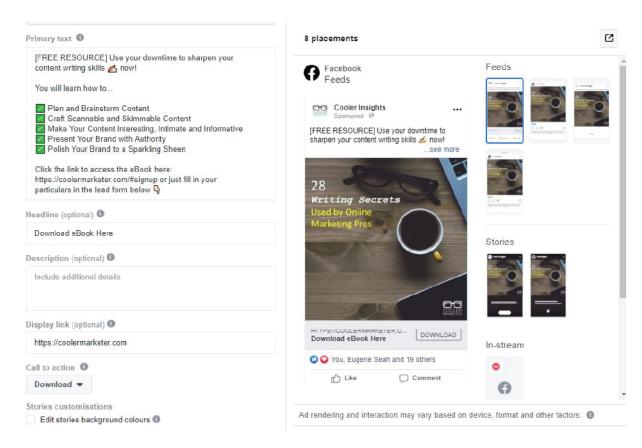
Here's an example of a Lookalike Audience which I've created and used for my lead ads.



After you've done so, you should have a few different Custom and Lookalike Audiences that you can use for targeting.



The next thing to consider is how you should craft your lead ad itself. There are various elements to consider here.



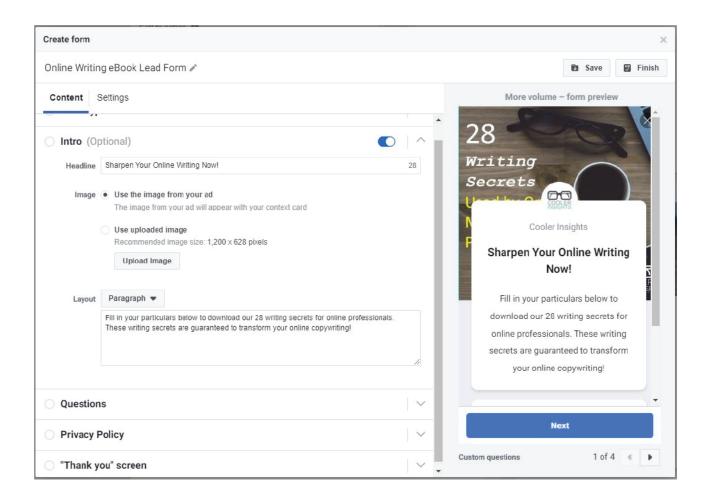
- Image or Video: Make sure that your visual is attractive and entices people to respond to your lead magnet/ offer
- **Primary text**: Craft compelling copy that immediately grabs your audience's attention and gets them to take action. Make it clear what USPs your lead magnet provides.
- Headline/ Description: If you wish, you can customise this to have an impactful message
- Call to action: You can change this according to how you'd like your leads to respond

Need help to create a lead magnet or craft a compelling ad copy?

CLICK HERE

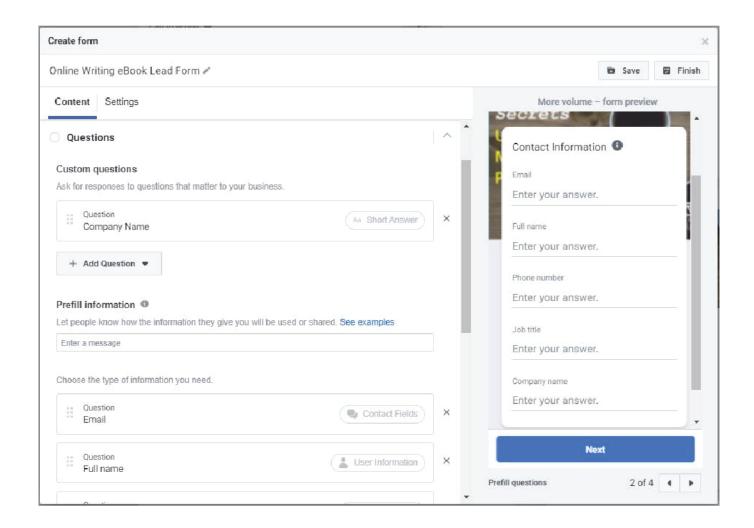


Immediately after coming up with your copy and image or video, you'll be asked to create a form. This can be seen in the image below.

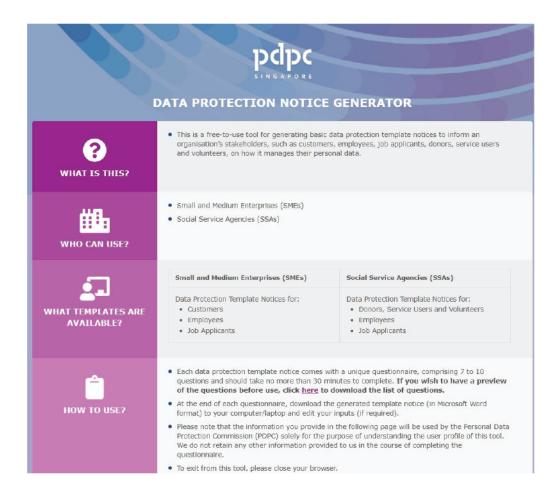


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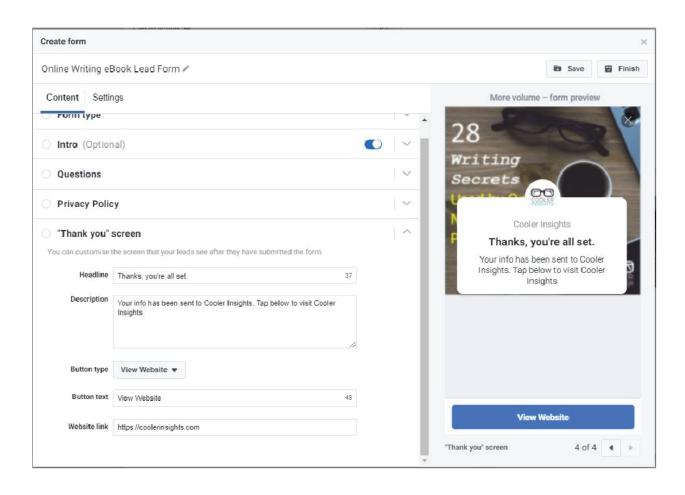
- Form Type: Do you want people to confirm before they submit their info to you? While this could lead to better leads, it may reduce your volume
- Intro: You can customise a headline and some body copy in your form if you wish. This helps to improve conversions if they assure your prospects on what they'll get.
- Questions: These are the fields that you'd like to capture. The default would be the name and
 email address which Facebook auto-fills, but you can add on more custom questions if you
 wish. Personally, I find that doing so helps to weed out less interested leads.



Privacy Policy: This is a must, and it helps if you already have a privacy policy on your website.
 If you need help to craft a privacy policy (and can't afford a lawyer), consider using this nifty
 Data Protection Notice Generator from the PDPC in Singapore!



• "Thank You" Screen: This is the final step that your prospects will see. It may be useful to direct them to your website so that they can read more about you here.



Launch Your Lead Ad!

After you've gone through the laborious step of creating your Facebook Lead Ad, you can now set it free.

In terms of timeframe and budgets, I find that it may be useful to experiment with a one-month duration for your first lead ad, and to set a budget of between \$150 to \$200 or so. This will be sufficient to gain some traction with your target audiences.



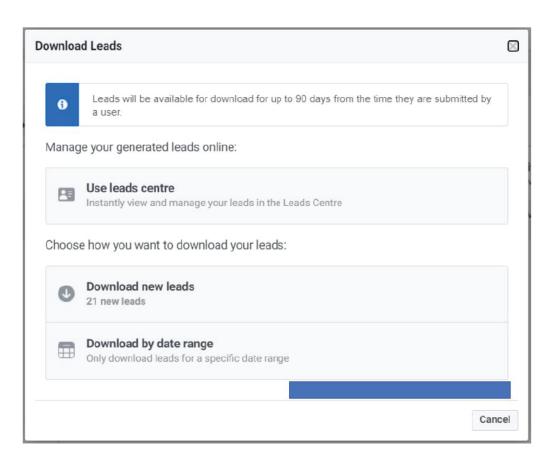
Monitor Your Facebook Ad Manager Performance

When you've run your ads for a day or two, leads will start to be collected. You can then log into your Facebook Ads Manager to monitor your performance.

Under the "Ads" section of your Facebook Ads Manager, you can gauge the performance of your lead ads as shown below.



If you click on the "Results" section where they show "On Facebook leads", it brings you a Download Leads pop-up where you can either visit the leads centre on your page, Download new leads (in CLV format) or Download by date range.

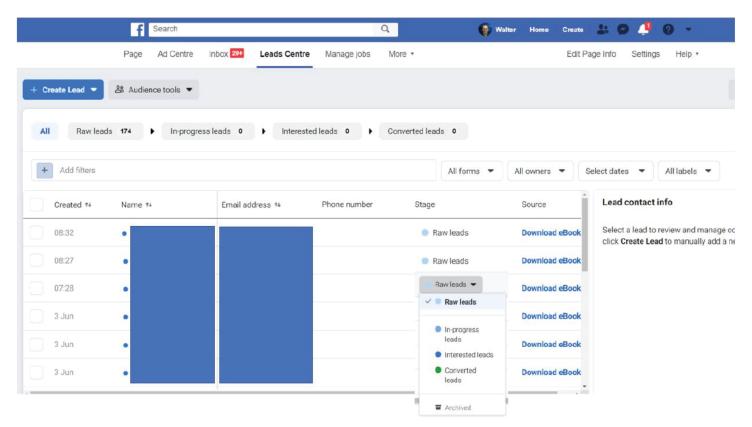


If you wish, you can download your leads progressively as you go along, sending them an email, or you can also do it batch by batch.

Collect, Process and Nurture Your Leads

To collect and process your leads, you can visit the "Leads Centre" tab on your Facebook Page. This will only appear when you start running Lead Generation Facebook Ads.

Using the leads centre function on your Facebook Page, you can consider individually following up with each lead and then categorise and label them accordingly. Facebook offers four different stages along the funnel: In-progress leads, Interested leads, and Converted leads.



How should you nurture your leads? Read this comprehensive article on <u>B2B Lead Generation</u> which gives you a deeper insight on how you can do so. Do also look out for my next article where I'll be exploring email sequencing for lead nurturing.



Conclusion

As a tool for generating leads, Facebook Lead Generation Ads offers a convenient and easy way to do so without the fuss of creating landing pages.

While you're likely to attract numerous leads (at a fairly low cost per lead) using Facebook Lead Ads, do note that you'll need a process of qualifying these raw leads and to nurture them through your funnel. Put them into your email sequencing process, and once they're fairly warmed up, you can consider sending them a sales offer or a deal.

Have you tried Facebook Lead Gen ads? How have your experience been like?

Need Help to Up Your Lead Generation Game?

Drop us an email or fill in your particulars in our <u>contact form here</u>.

Our team of content strategists will be glad to help you craft impactful lead magnet and attractive ad copy and **our Facebook Ads specialists** will help you with the ad set-up and launch the ad for you.

You can learn more about us here: Cooler Insights

