How to Run a Successful Revenue Strategy Meeting

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About Us



REVENUE MANAGEMENT, DISTRIBUTION, AND COMMERCIAL STRATEGY

25+ YEARS AND GRADUATE-LEVEL REVENUE MANAGEMENT DEGREES

VACATION RENTALS, HOTELS, CASINOS, RESORTS, AND RESTAURANTS



OUR PURPOSE

Provide expert, agile, and cutting edge revenue management and distribution support,.



OUR POSITION

We're an extension of your team, helping optimize your technology and business processes.



OUR PROMISE

Our super power is our ability to bring tech, revenue management, and distribution together.

What You'll Learn Today

Agenda

- Importance of a Strategy Meeting
- ⁰² Finding Your Data + Market Data
- ⁰³ Revenue Management Cycle
- O4 Effectively Using Data
- O5 Sarah's Story Q+A

Why is a Revenue Strategy Meeting Important?



"I want to optimize my tools and business processes so I can grow revenue faster than the competition."

- Every Smart Vacation Rental Manager



Every size applies.



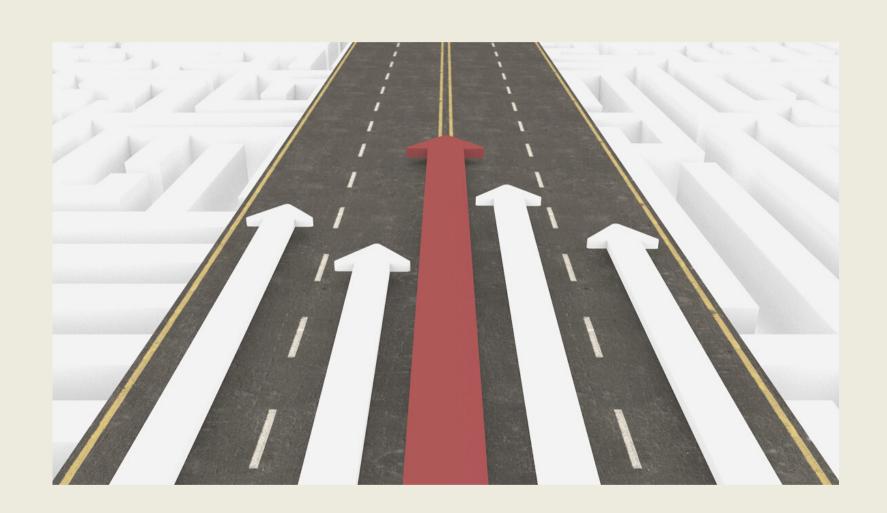
LEADERSHIP COLLABORATION Leadership and building an RM culture



MAKE TIME Find 1 hour (weekly, biweekly)



REVENUE STRATEGIST
Identify team member or expert
support person to prep the data, lead
the meeting



Holistic, Commercial Approach

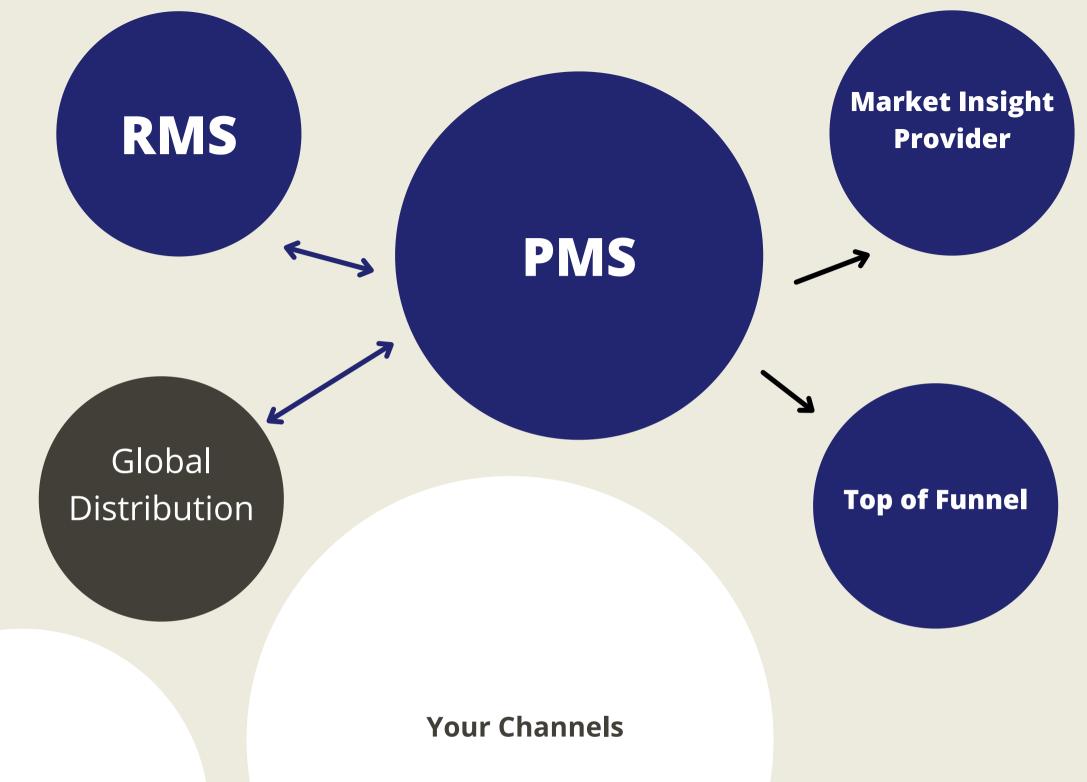
Reports and Tools to Run Your Meeting



02 Data + System Map

Integrations + Data Flow

- Where is your data and the market data?
- What commercial levers are in your toolbox?



Your Website

02 Reading The Data

YOUR DATA

MARKET DATA

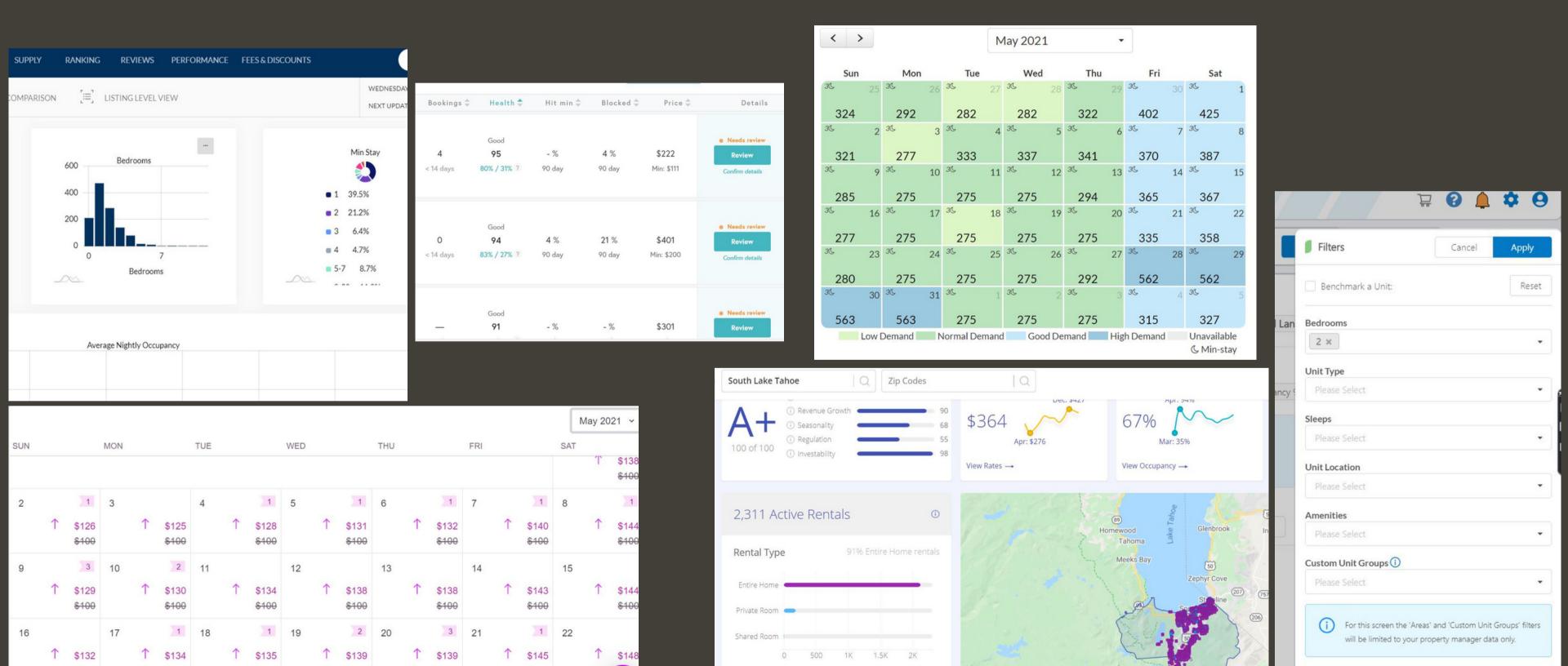
OCC, ADR, REVPAR

- The right filters
- Meaningful views

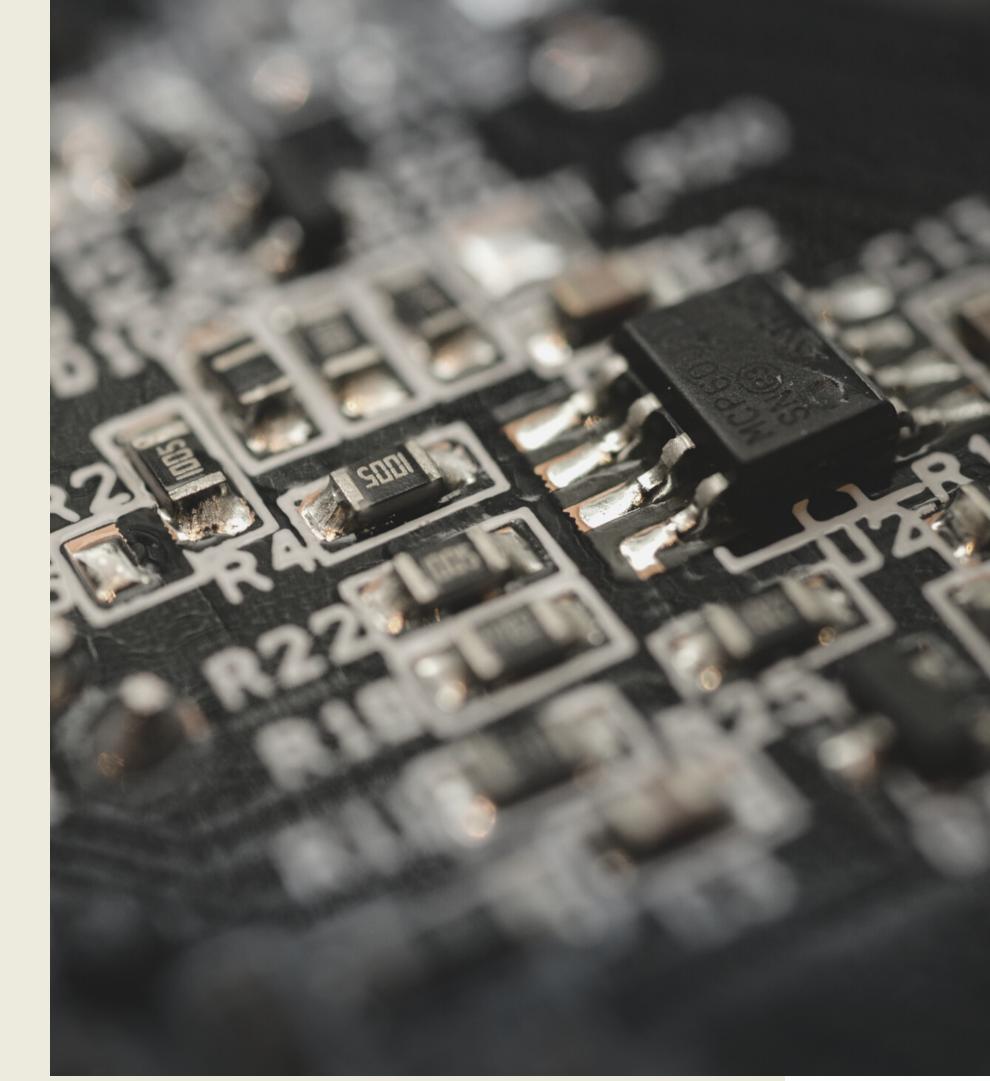
- Comparable benchmarking
- Trends

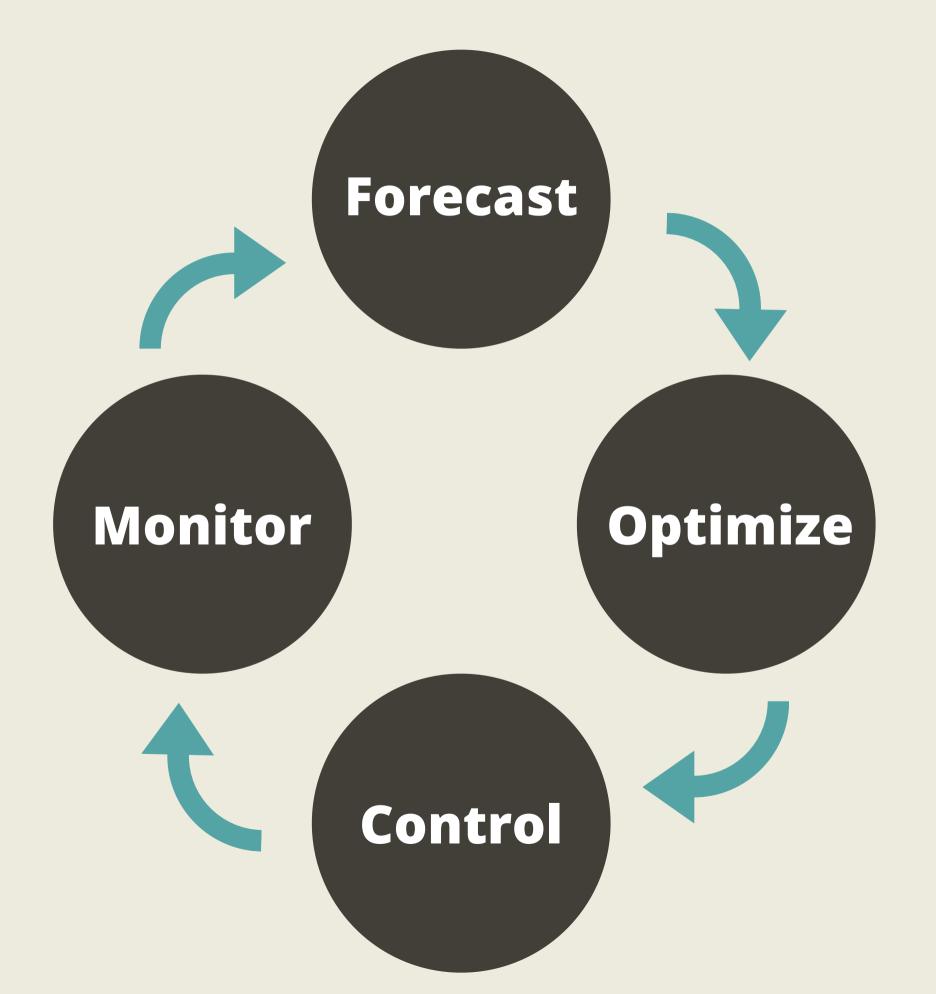
Diagnosing the opportunities and the problem areas

02 Consuming The Data



Four Key Meeting Components







FOCM: Revenue Management Cycle

FORECAST

YOUR PERFORMANCE OUTLOOK BASED ON BENCHMARKING AND TRENDS

- What days am I ahead or behind the market?
- Are there any differences within my submarkets?
- Are there any differences in unit type?
- What is the market doing and what am I doing? Rate shops.
- How am I going to perform?

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OPTIMIZE

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- What are my findings?
- Generate Demand Periods
- Yield Demand Periods



PULLING LEVERS: PRICE, AVAILABILITY, PROMOTIONS, CONTENT, AND CHANNEL MANAGEMENT

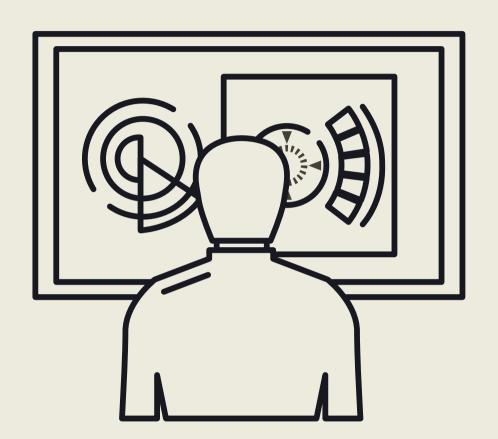
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Generate Demand

- VRBO do I have Boost opportunities?
- Airbnb can I make any of the promotional levers work?
- Other channel levers?
- Direct Book: coupon codes, email past guests, social, digital media
- Fundamental issues content or review challenges?
- Do the overall LOS or cancel policies still make sense?

Yield Demand

- Increase rates
- Validate LOS patterns, orphan nights sellout efficiency
- Is there an outlier unit or two skewing the results?



- Are my promotions working?
- Effectively raising rates, pace ok?
- Stick to the strategy, revise the strategy, repeat the cycle



Effectively Using Your Data



04 What is an index?

Index is a relative score / ratio between your performance metrics and the market metrics

It is a measurement relative to your "fair share".



Occupancy

ADR

RevPAR



Portfolio, cluster, unit type, neighborhood

04 Example

Last Year	Occ%	ADR	RevPAR	
	60%	\$100	\$60	
Market	40%	\$125	\$50	
Index	1.5	0.80	1.20	

This Year	Occ%	ADR	RevPAR
	65%	\$110	\$72
Market	50%	\$143	\$72
Index	1.3	0.77	1.00
YoY Change	Occ%	ADR	RevPAR
	5%	\$10	\$12
Market	10%	\$18	\$22
Index	-0.2	-0.03	-0.20
%Index ("Share")	-13%	-4%	-17%

- Last Year:
 - We had 60% occ vs. the market at 40% for an occ index of 1.5
- Our ADR of \$100 was down to the market ADR of \$125 and an index of 0.8
- Our stronger Occ% offset our ADR weakness and resulted in a RevPAR of \$60 vs. \$50 to the market and an index of 1.2

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- This Year:
- We increased Occ% YoY from 60% to 65% and had higher occupancy than the market at 50%, however our index declined from 1.5 to 1.3 (WHY?)
- Our ADR at \$110 was also higher than previous year (\$100) but still we lost ground to the market dropping in share slightly with an index of 0.77 from 0.8 (WHY?)
- Our resulting RevPAR of \$72 was +\$12 to last year, but with declines in both Occ and ADR index we ended up a RevPAR index of 1.0 from 1.2. However this still represents a fair share

04 Example

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- YoY Change:
- This example shows that even though we increased occ and ADR YoY and held a premium in RevPAR (1.2), the market caught up by driving more occupancy (even though we had higher occupancy overall) and slightly beating us out in better rate
- These "subtle" changes in the market resulted in a RevPAR decline of -17%!



STEP 1

Select a Revenue Management Leader



STEP 2

Establish meeting and reporting tools and cadence



STEP 3

Begin your journey to eating the competition's lunch

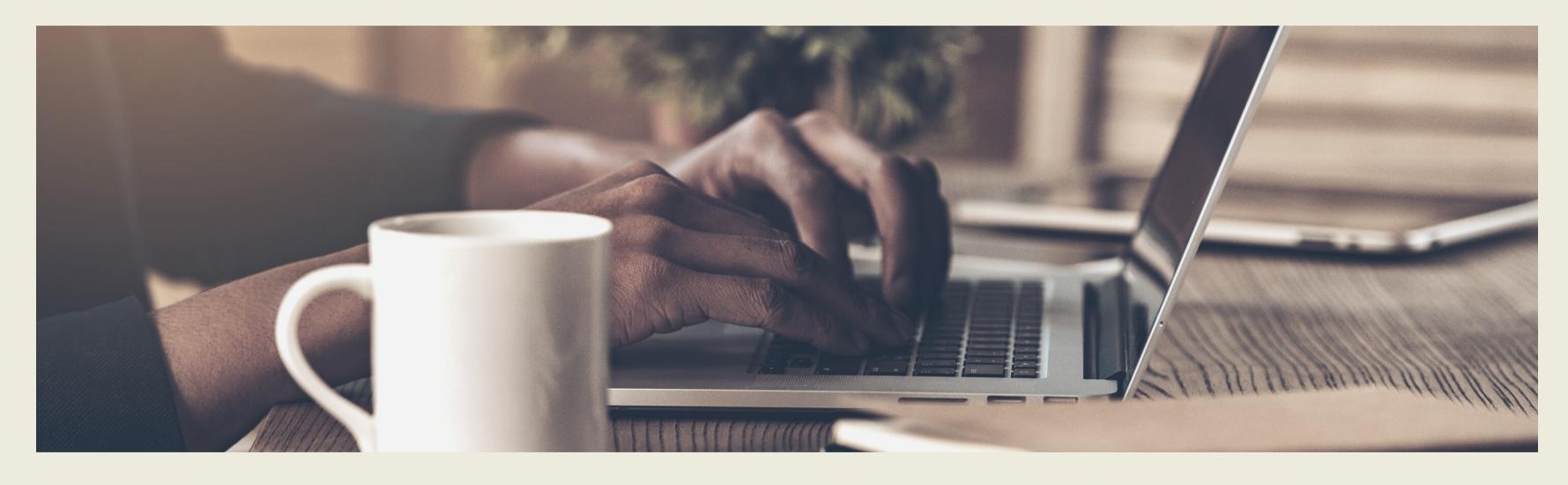
Summary

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Thank You





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