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Professional Social media task

October 2021



Agenda **=**

- 1. Why social media matters?
- 2. Some important social media 'Do's and Don'ts
- 3. Tips on creating the 'Perfect Profiles' on LinkedIn and building a network of good quality connections
- 4. Building your online brand
- 5. Twitter: introduction



Why

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matters

Why social media matters?

...is the average time spent on social media platforms daily

2 hr 25 mins

...of a business's social media leads are generated via LinkedIn

97%

...a week on average spent by people online

24-40 hrs

...of YouTube content is viewed each day

500 million hrs



Learn by listening

We know people are talking about us... how can we best tell our own story?

- We've to engage with our clients, our people and our communities.
- We need to join the discussions they initiate as well as our own.
- We need to know how to respond.
- How do you find out more about somebody you are about to meet?



Empowering you to use social media

Take advantage of the professional opportunities available using these platforms...



Build your brand

Social media provides a platform for you to share your views and expertise. Demonstrate your professional knowledge and build your personal brand by providing insight and analysis on current events taking place within your industry.



Access thought-leadership

Social channels are often an excellent source of topical analysis and opinion. Twitter and LinkedIn, in particular, are used by industry leaders to comment on current events and breaking news. Keep up to date using your social media channels.



Expand your network

People readily form into communities on social media, whether by using hashtags or joining groups. Entering into relevant communities could be an excellent opportunity to grow your business network and find future clients or hires.



Find answers

Utilise the wisdom of crowds. If you're looking for a way to poll opinions or just a useful tip on where to find something, Twitter, TikTok, Instagram, Quora or Sina Weibo could be the answer. With so many specialisms represented, even niche questions can find an answer.

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Don'ts

Some social media Do's

Consider who you connect with

You could end up publicly endorsing some and alienating others. Your online networks are also a reflection of you and your firm.

Review your content

Always think twice before pressing 'send'. Every word matters (personally and professionally) and will be retained and discoverable. If in doubt, ask a friend/ colleague for their opinion. Respond quickly to correct any mistakes in your comments or postings.

Find the right balance

Social media tools should be used in moderation, so make sure you find the right balance between networking for work purposes and using social media for other commitments.

Check for copyright

Understand whether you have rights to link or post certain content (think about copyright or fair use laws).

Understand your digital footprint

You have no control over information once it's live. Remember that your instant messages, tweets and conversations in public forums can be recorded, intercepted and/ or saved and sent via email.

Protect your own privacy

Create strong passwords. Frequently check your personal privacy settings – they change rapidly. Limit the amount of personal information you share.

Some social media Don'ts



Don't get technical

Avoid providing advice, which is, or could be considered to constitute the provision of professional services – this includes answering technical questions.

Don't endorse anyone or anything, give it some thought first

Don't use your firm's equipment to disseminate or download unlicensed materials such as software, music and movie files

Don't compromise client or colleague relationships

Don't share pictures or information about your colleagues or others associated with your firm without their permission.

Don't publish internal or sensitive content

Doing so could result in you landing in hot water. Make sure nothing you post is private and/ or confidential. And refrain from discussing sensitive topics.

Don't hinder your personal or company brand

Always remain professional in what you're sharing or engaging in. Make sure you're following your company social media guidelines and brand policies.

Don't appear unprofessional

Don't use inappropriate language, make derogatory statements or post comments that could be read by others as being hurtful. Also, don't post, share and associate yourself with inappropriate materials or arbitrary content.

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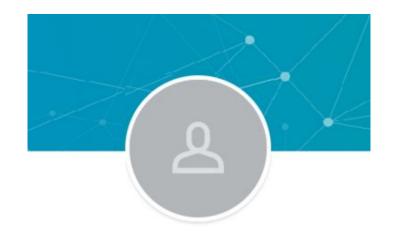
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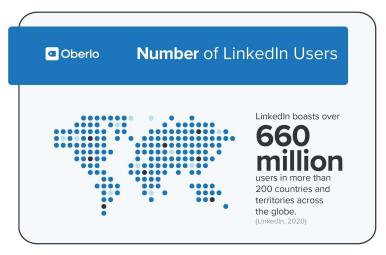
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LinkedIn stats

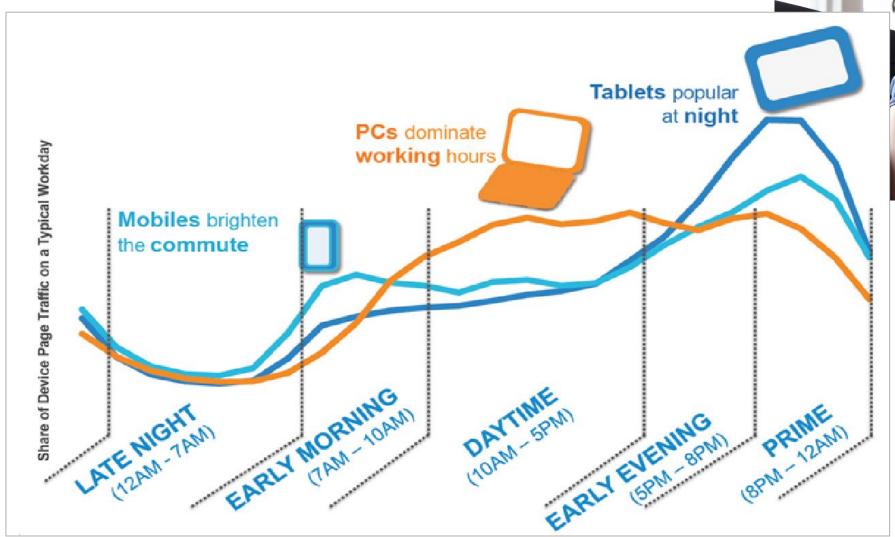
- 80% of B2B leads come from LinkedIn vs. 13% on Twitter and 7% on Facebook.
- Members who include a profile photo receive 21x more profile views and up to 36x more messages.
- Professional content gets 15X more content impressions than job postings with 57% consuming content on mobile.
- LinkedIn makes up more than 50% of all social traffic to B2B websites and blogs.
- In 2021, 180 million LinkedIn users were senior-level influencers, and 63 million were in decision-making positions





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Key times online vs device preferences



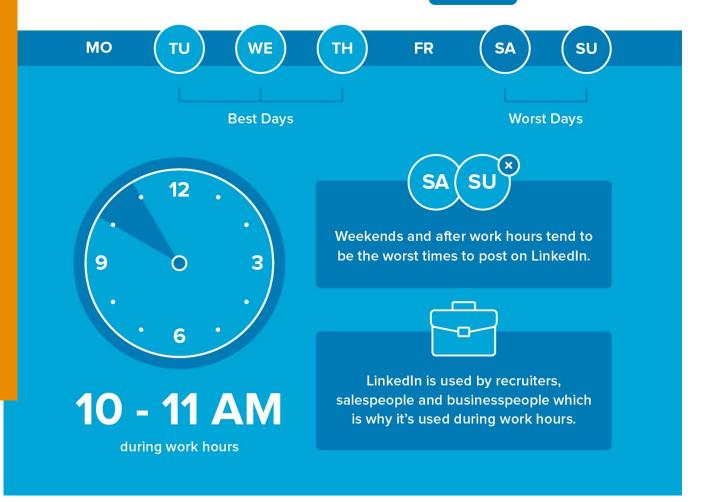


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Best Time to Post on

Linked in

It's good to know when you'll get the best reach.



Key benefits and content



Thought Leadership

Broaden your own network

Business development

Build advocacy

Industry insights

Ask a question

Your career updates

News, events and articles



Some LinkedIn Do's

Be honest

Your profile should be an honest reflection of your past working history. Being 'creative' with your professional experience is guaranteed to have a negative impact on your credibility.

Follow businesses

Keeping up to date with different businesses in your industry will help you to keep your finger on the pulse of the latest news and innovations from competitors.

Write personal invites

When inviting someone to connect, send a personal invite rather than stock text. This will qualify why you want to connect with that person and show you've taken time to consider them.

Join groups

Having a voice in groups from your area of expertise will help you build a credible profile as an influencer within your sector.

Stay active

Staying vocal and active will show your enthusiasm, confidence and reliability. It will also help you to be a go-to source for anyone wanting tips, news and more from your industry.

Recommend and endorse

Endorsing and recommending those you've worked with will often encourage reciprocation. These will validate your skills when people are observing your bio.

Start/ Join discussions

Get involved with discussions in your group, opening you up to conversations with other users. You may even learn something new along the way.

Fill out your profile

All your work producing insightful posts will be less impactful if your profile isn't up to date. Keep yours current and fill out as many sections as possible.

Some LinkedIn Don'ts





Don't be inappropriate

LinkedIn is a professional environment and it should be treated as such. Professional language should be used at all times when on the platform.

Don't accept just anyone

Make sure you take time to consider who you're accepting on LinkedIn.
Consider whether you know them already and if not, why are they adding you.

Don't be negative

Taking a negative tone in a public forum can have an impact on your position as a thought leader. If you disagree with someone's point, be constructive when countering what they are trying to say.

Don't leave your profile dormant

Leaving your profile dormant will look untidy and won't show your latest exploits, which may stop a new business connection from taking the next step in contacting you. Keep it up to date.

Don't send impersonal messages

If you're sending messages to a number of individuals on a similar topic, don't send out a blanket mail. Take time to personalise each message and take care over what you're communicating.

Don't share confidential information

There may be company operations that are strictly confidential. Be sure to strictly avoid sharing any sensitive information through your social channels.

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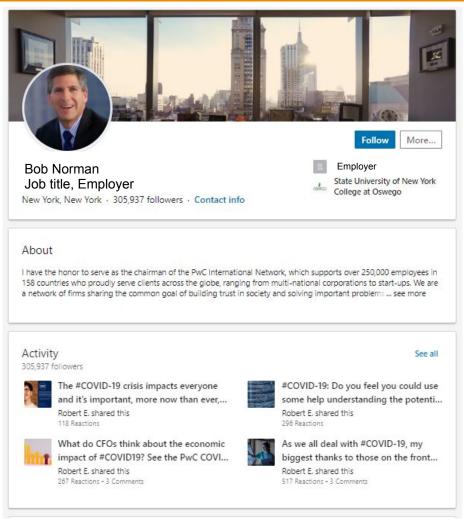
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Perfect profiles: LinkedIn



The perfect LinkedIn profile should have:

- A cover photo (be careful of adding anything unprofessional) and professional photo
- Name, location and current employer/ employment status
- Work experience/ history with detailed descriptions
- Activity: liking and sharing posts on LinkedIn as well as creating your own posts
- LinkedIn Groups: join some relevant LinkedIn groups in the sector you're working in or hoping to work in
- An About section this is a short bio about yourself and professional experience, or anything that makes you stand out that you might mention in a job interview.



Perfect profiles: LinkedIn

Using what you know about how to create a good LinkedIn profile - split up into teams and rate how well the Rock has set up his LinkedIn Profile and give him some pointers on what he can improve on.

Click to the next slide to see his profile.





dwayne johnson the rock United States

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dwayne johnson



See contact info



25 connections

Connect



I will select a winner for today. Fast registration of your name by downloading my latest movie skystraper 2018 Rampage, jumanji or all movie in here .. 🖸 🌐 http://bit.ly/2KGP2ec 🤏 🖸 🛂 💯 ..) there are still many empty slots ,, for you who downloaded my movie has a great chance

to win it .. g...



Village Photos



dwayne johnson

Show more ~

Experience



Model Actor

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The (not-so) perfect profile pictures



Split into teams and rate the best to worst LinkedIn Cover photo.

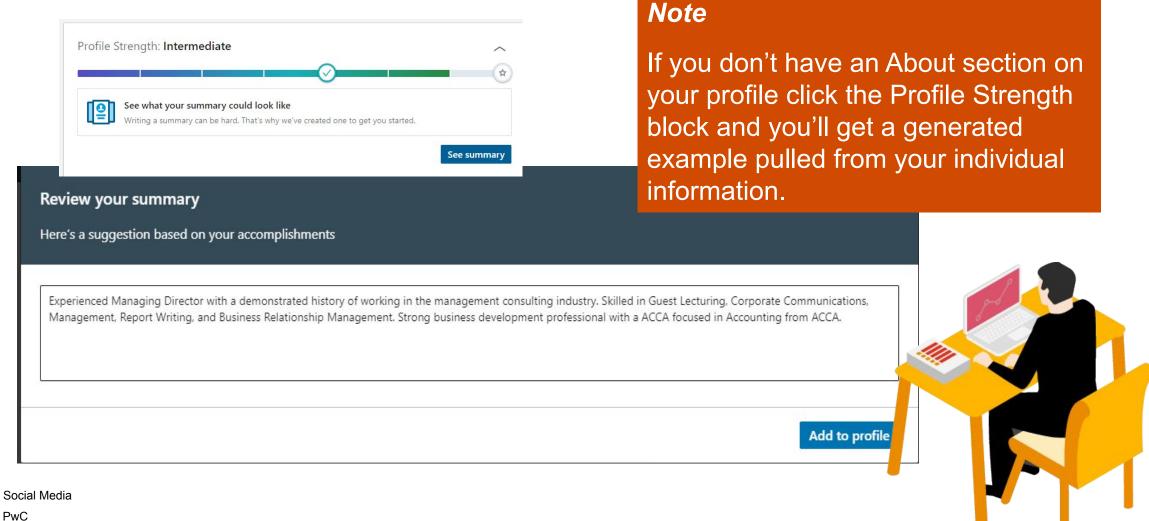
Perfect profiles: LinkedIn



Make sure your profile picture is professional.

- Dress to impress (Smart Shirt/ Blouse and blazer)
- If you have a professional photo from your employer use that
- If not make sure you're against a plain background and take a headshot
- Avoid selfies or pictures on a night out either.

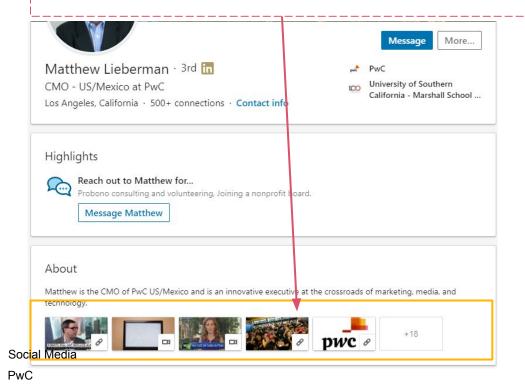
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LinkedIn features

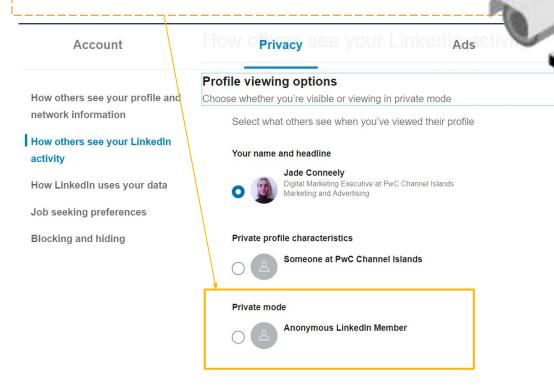
Include *relevant* attachments to your LinkedIn profile E.g presentations, videos and publications.

**Don't add any client or sensitive information

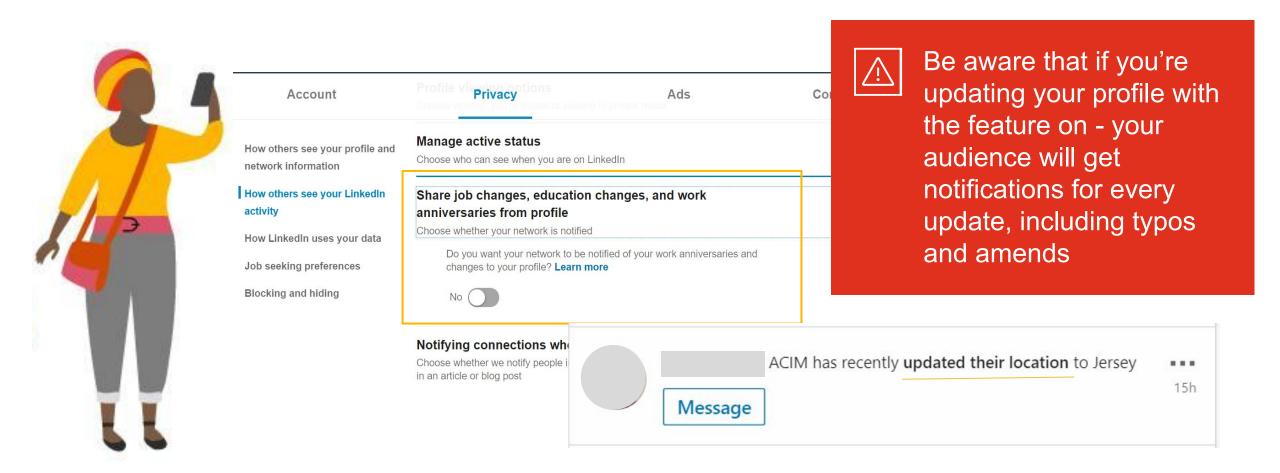


Browse privately

If you need to check a client or colleague on LinkedIn, check your profile viewing options to make sure they don't get notifications that you have viewed their profile.

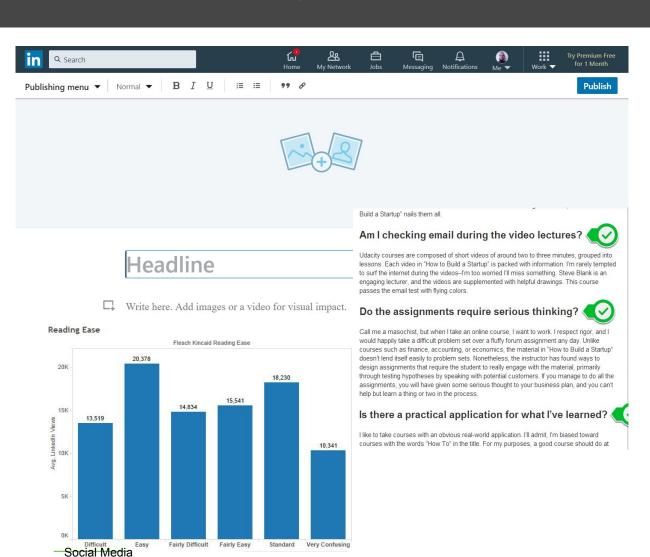


LinkedIn features (cont...)



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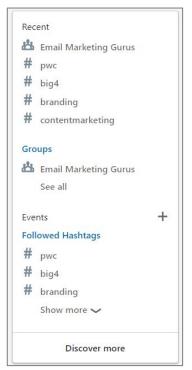
- Longer content
- More in-depth
- Discussing topics/trends in industry

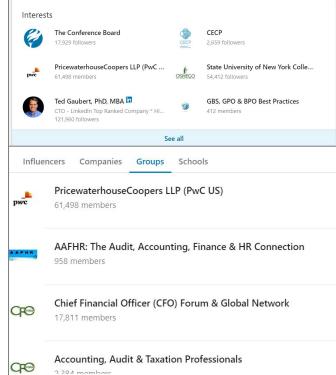
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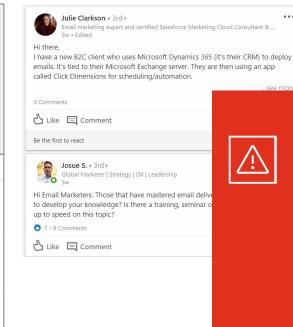
- Titles between 40 and 49 characters long perform well
- Add images
- Don't over complicate your language, keep it simple and reader friendly. Avoid tech/finance jargon
- Break points down into categories/lists
- How-to posts perform better
- Posts between 1900 and 2000 words
- Blogs don't have to be original content written by you, they can be long form content responding/commenting on an article

LinkedIn Groups

- 1. Where to find suggested groups and hashtags to follow
- 2. Check and follow/ join groups from other thought leaders in your area
- 3. Example of groups



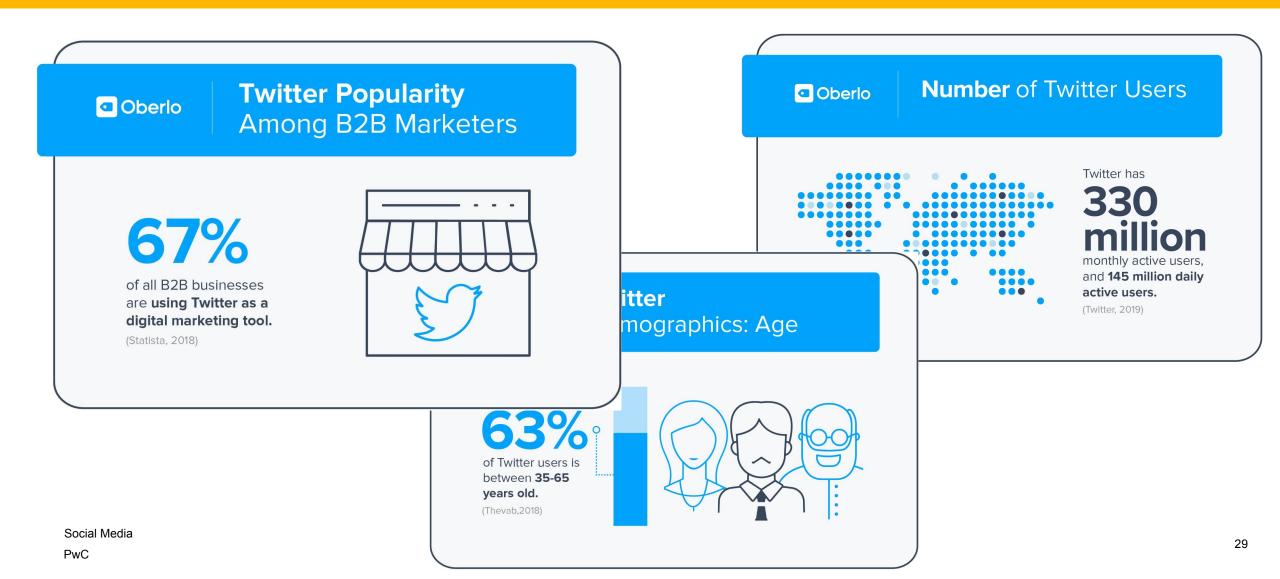




Spam alert
Don't post the same
comment into more than
2 or 3 groups as your
network will get notified.

Twitter:

an introduction



According to Twitter, 9% of tweets in English hit the character limits.

Twitter character limit: 280

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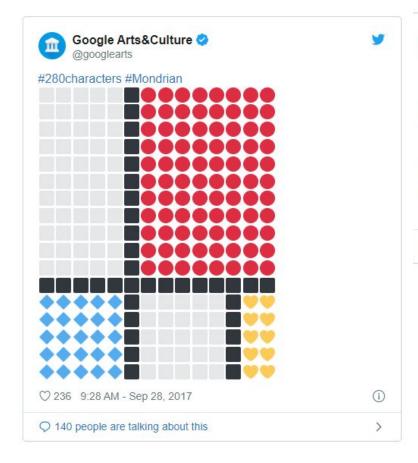
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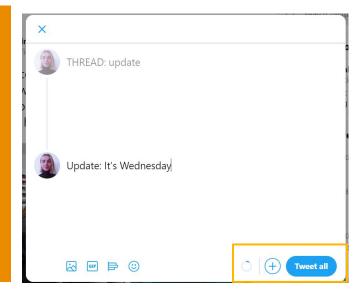


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 she did. She now carries an invisible scarlet letter

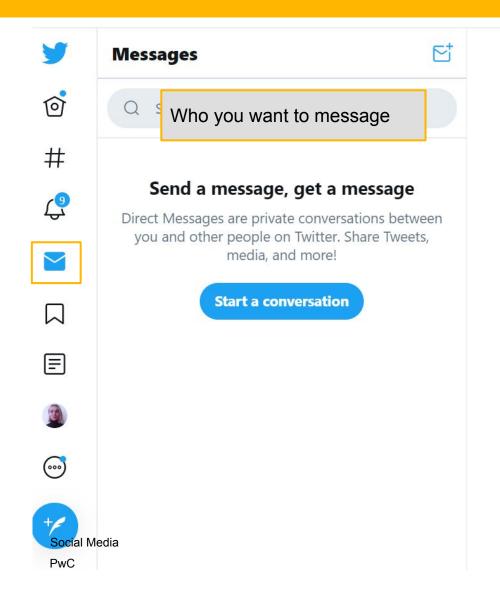
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 know why. It's a post production company so we're in fact open
 today. She's been sitting 3ft from me this whole time

 35K 5:42 PM Mar 30, 2018
- Tell a story
- Keep your audience engaged
- Spark discussion
- Document a live event
- Create a thread by simply clicking the + button on your tweet before posting



Twitter: Save it for the DMs



You don't have a message selec
Choose one from your existing messages, or start

New message



When to use a DM

- To build a relationship
- To raise a complaint
- To avoid spamming your audience's feed
- To chat

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