

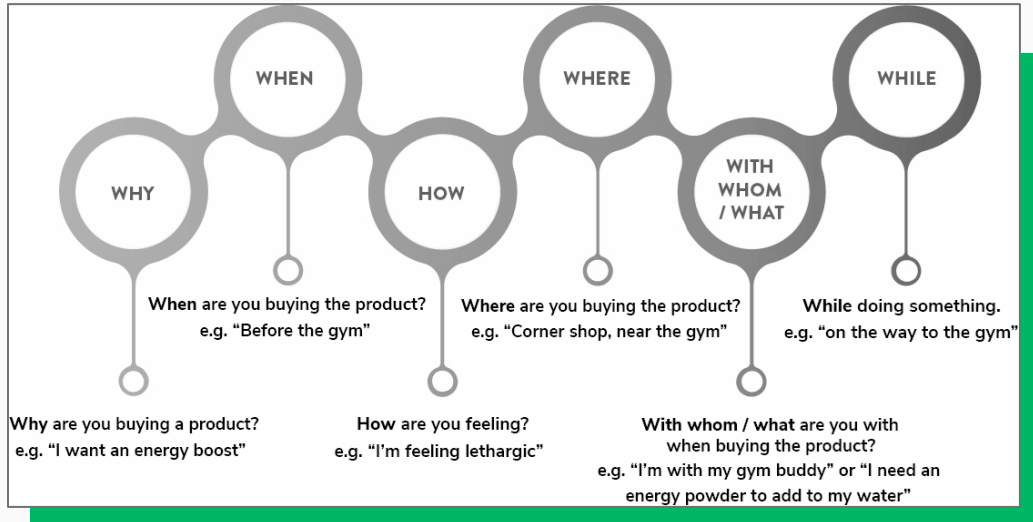
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# Leveraging **category entry points** for enhanced user engagement on Glassdoor

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# CEP Overview



## Key Terminology



### Category Entry Point (CEP):

Key moment or cue that sparks a need in a category.



### Journey Map:

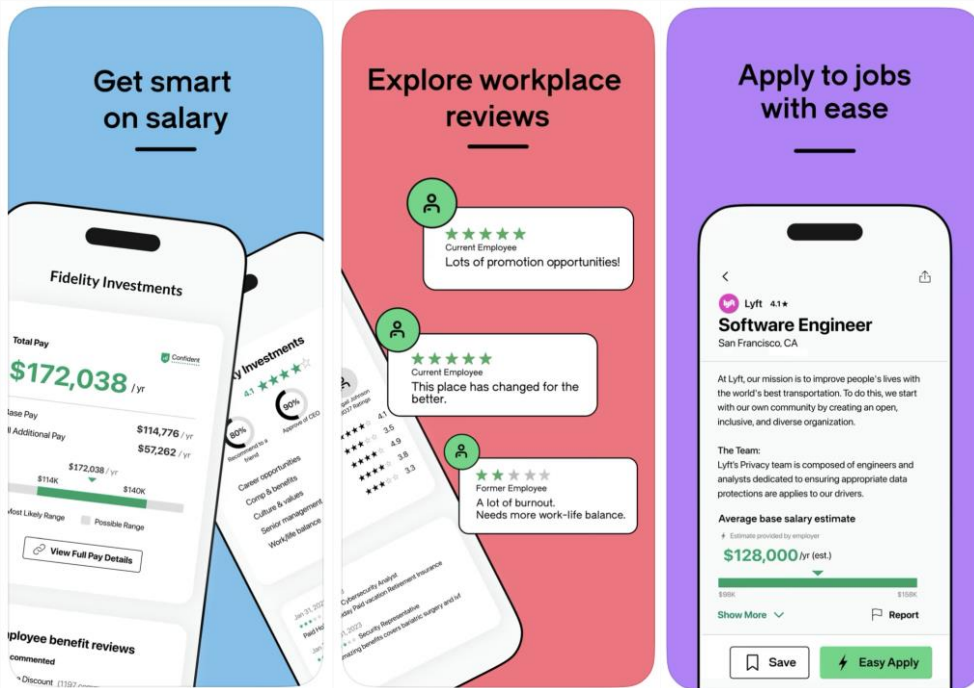
A chronological map of experience and behaviors.



### JTBD:

A job to be done is something a person wants to accomplish in a given circumstance.

# Who here has ever used **Glassdoor**?



You might have used Glassdoor if you ever:



## Searched for employer reviews:

On Glassdoor, real employees leave reviews detailing their experience with their employer.



## Researched pay:

Glassdoor collects salary information from workers who are willing to contribute it to help you get paid what you're worth.



## Searched for a job:

You can search for jobs and apply on Glassdoor!

# The new Glassdoor has arrived

Glassdoor recently expanded to include real, anonymous conversations among professionals. Now you can use Glassdoor to ask the tough questions and get career insights, advice, and more candid conversations with coworkers and industry insiders.

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## Glassdoor has expanded beyond anonymous reviews of companies

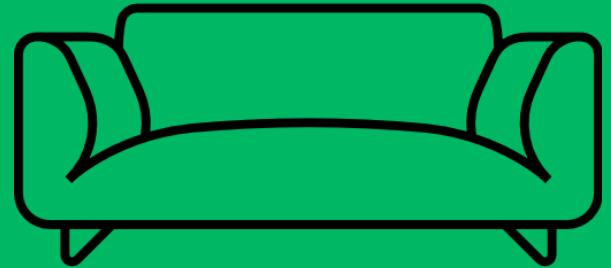
Glassdoor is one of Fast Company's Most Innovative Companies in the workplace category.



In 2023, Glassdoor shifted the paradigm beyond one-way postings to conversations and exchanges among employees. It **calls** its new communities “bowls” and in addition to company-based bowls (it says 95% of Fortune 500 companies have one), there are bowls by industry, interest, and demographic categories.



So what kind of insights do you need to **pivot** from a review/job site to a professional social community?



# What did we want to learn?

## What we knew

Majority of users come to Glassdoor for urgent, transactional JTBD (e.g. searching for jobs, researching employers, or assessing pay).

Once they complete their JTBD on Glassdoor, they may not come back for months, if not years.

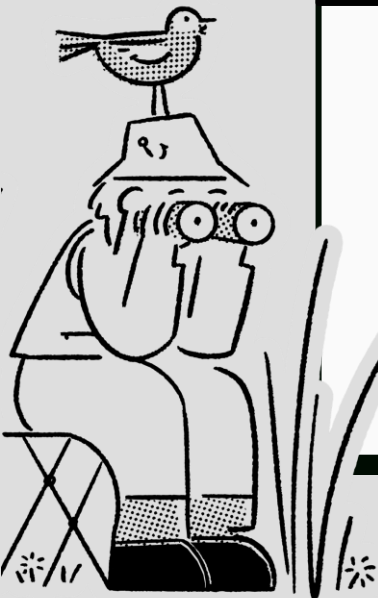
For community to be successful, Glassdoor should be relevant, helpful, and top-of-mind at all stages of the career journey.

## What we didn't know

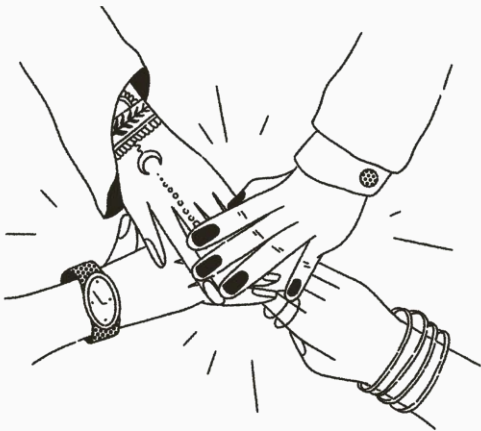
The key moments or triggers in the lives of our target audience to leverage to hook new users and engage current users (beyond the job-seeking moments).

Which unmet needs and underserved needs could help differentiate Glassdoor in the category of professional social platforms.

The market size of each new opportunity.



# Research Methodology



## Stakeholder IDIs

n=10 30-minute stakeholder IDIs to clarify goals and key outputs required for success.

## Discovery Survey

10-minute discovery survey to our Glassdoor research community to help us identify all the possible entry points, triggers, and JTBD that exist in the category.

## CEP + Journey Mapping Survey

20-minute online survey fielded to n=1,500 knowledge workers in the US. Features platform awareness & usage, P12M CEP usage + CEP deep dive, and a career journey mapping section.

## Follow-up Qual

n=10 30-minute in-depth interviews designed to add more nuanced insights to both the journey map and CEP experiences.



# Our Approach

The Perfect Bite!



**Category Entry Points (CEP)**

**KW Career Journey Map**

**Jobs to be Done (JTBD)**

**Segmentation**

It's basically an insights tiramisu!

Layering these four elements together allows us to see the full picture of where we are fulfilling our potential with consumers and where we have the greatest untapped opportunities, especially when it comes to hooking and engaging community users.



# Tips for research set-up



## Define the category

The definition should be meaningful to your business and your intended audience. Understand its boundaries and how it fits into the larger market landscape.



## Loop in stakeholders early

Loop in your stakeholders every step of the way and take the time to fully understand their questions, needs, and ability to act on the insights.



## Define audience segments

Know who your talking to and have hypotheses about which type of category users will be most likely to engage in specific CEPs.



## Solve important problems

Identify the research objectives that have the greatest impact on business outcomes and focus on those first.



## Analyze market + competitors

Consider a mix of new and lasting trends as you build your CEPs. Similarly, include a variety of competitors and don't leave out newcomers to the category.



## Customize your approach

Each category and industry is not created equal. What works for one might not be a perfect fit for another.

# CEPs can contain varying types of cues

Future-focused need

Specific aspiration

Immediate need

Broad aspiration

Entering a new life stage

Curiosity

A new situation

Non-urgent task

Emotional state

Urgent task

Higher-level motivation



# Glassdoor's custom mapping

## Overarching CEPs

**Higher-level motivation**

**Broad aspiration**

## Triggers

**A new situation**

**Emotional state**

**Entering a new life stage**

**Specific aspiration**

**Curiosity**

## JTBD

**Urgent task**

**Non-urgent task**

**Future-focused need**

**Immediate need**

*Programming note!*

*CEPs map to relevant triggers and JTBD*



# Questionnaire outline

*Programming note!*  
Don't forget  
segmentation  
classifier

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Ask data science  
team for  
analytics we can  
map back

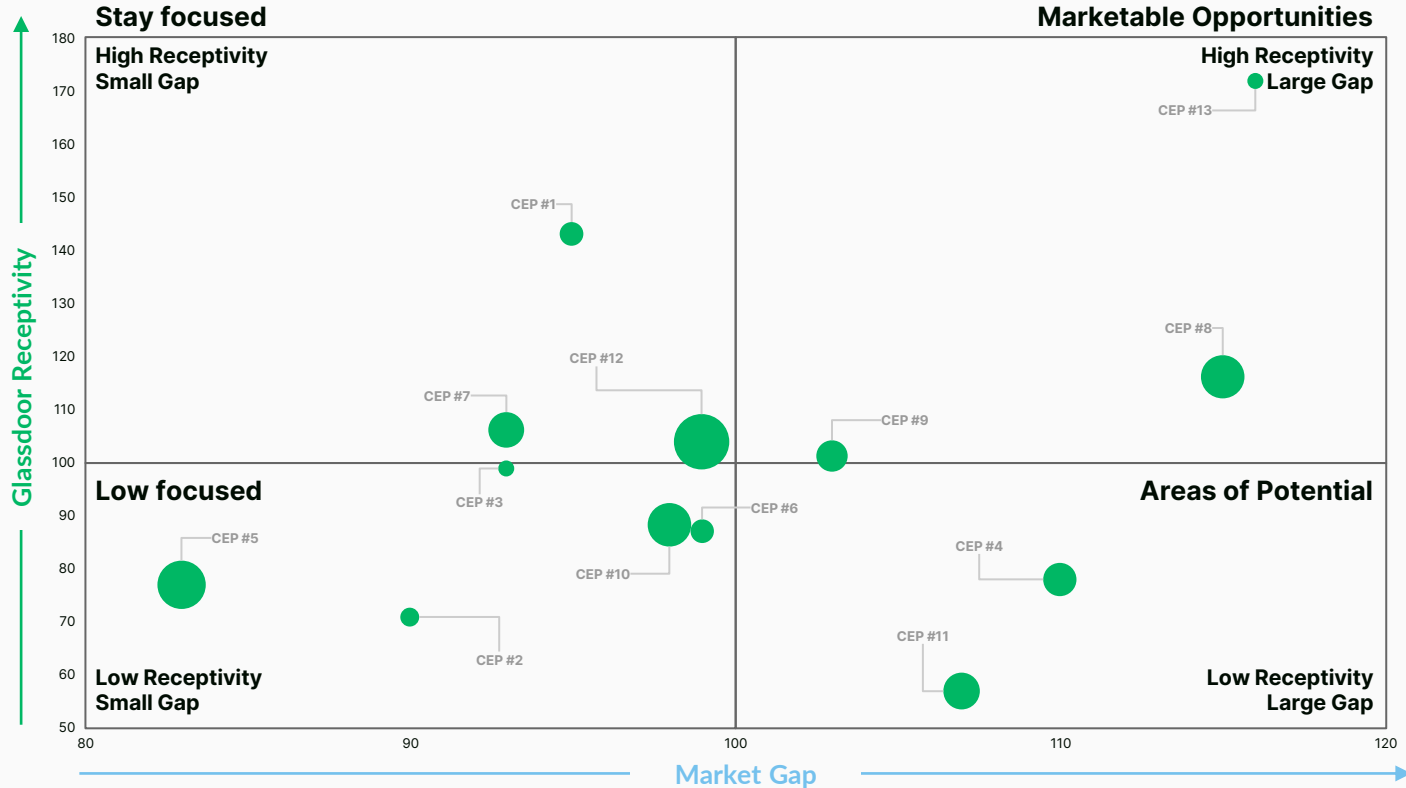
1.0	Screener	5.0	Related triggers & JTBD
2.0	Platform awareness & usage	6.0	CEP usage by platform
3.0	Career journey	7.0	Segmentation classifier
4.0	Overarching CEPs	8.0	Demos

# Category Entry Points Opportunity Analysis Overview

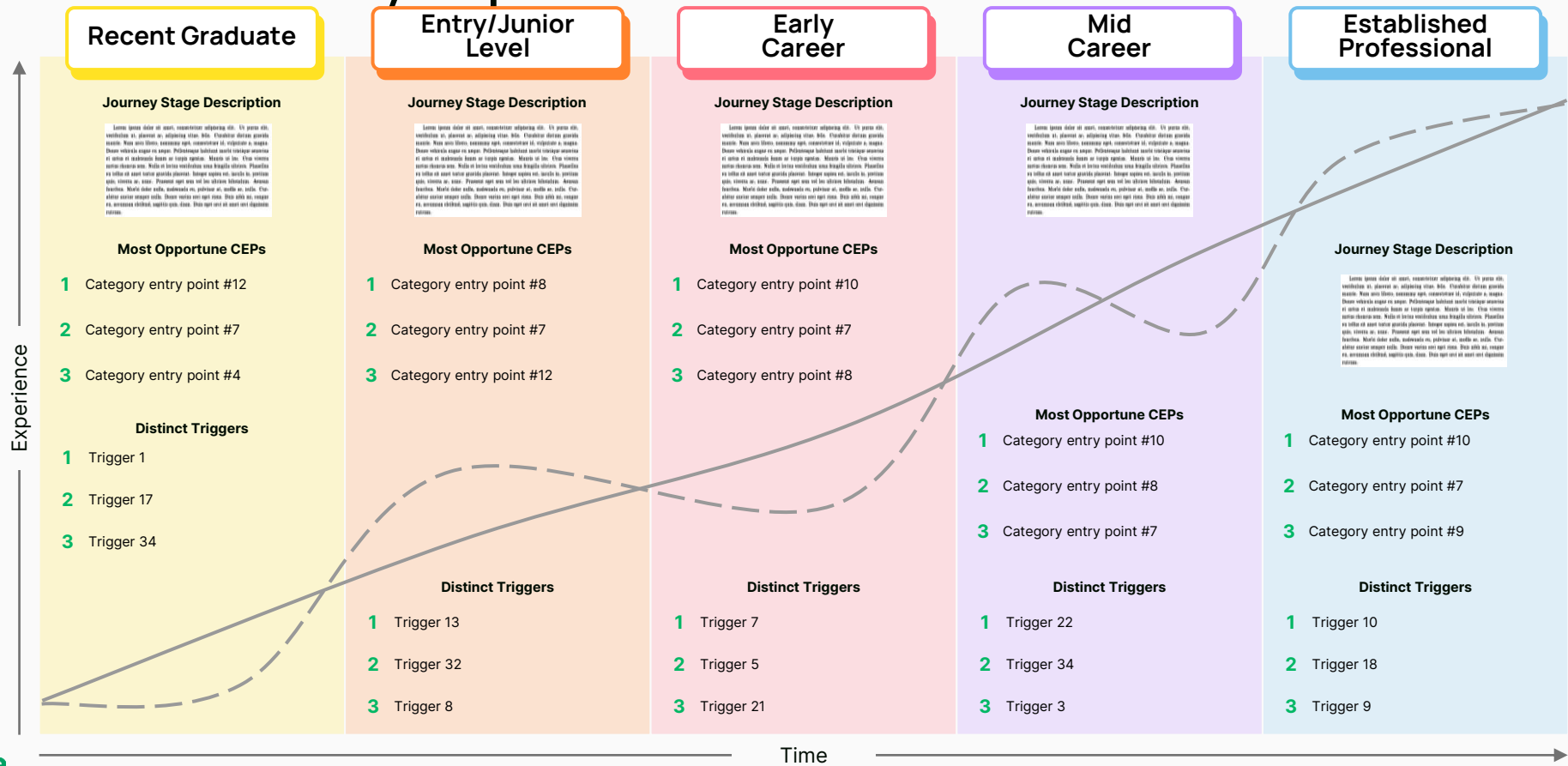


# CEPs mapped against Glassdoor receptivity and market gap

Economic Potential is shown through magnitude (i.e., the larger the marker, the greater the economic potential)



# Career Journey Map



# Activating Insights

1

## Socialize

Distribute the insights to members of the Product, BizOps, Marketing, and Engineering teams and collect feedback and questions.

2

## Follow up

Answer questions and pull additional charts/data as needed to address specific requests.

3

## Deep dive

Meet with smaller teams with specific goals to review relevant insights and pull deeper cuts as needed. Help teams integrate these insights into their objectives.

4

## Measure

Consult with team to identify metrics (JTBDs / behaviors) that we expect to see move based on the objectives for key teams. Track key CEP metrics in our brand tracker.





# Tips for socializing



## Guest star in standing meetings

Take advantage of recurring meetings to provide special deep cuts to specific teams and help them incorporate the insights.



## Keep the updates going

Continue to share updates with your stakeholders after the presentation. Let them know how other teams are using the insights.



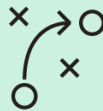
## Infographics and swag

Creating fun, accessible reference materials goes a long way in encouraging folks to use the insights and reach out with questions.



## Plan for lots of consulting

While journey maps are fairly common, CEPs are not. Plan for lots of consulting to help stakeholders get the most out of the research.



## Plug insights into strategy

If the insights can't support or inform the company strategy, it'll be a lot more difficult for teams to use them.



## Teach colleagues to use it

During or after the share-out, look for opportunities to teach colleagues how to get the most out of the results (e.g. sponsor a lunch & learn).

# Bonus Tips

Build for your  
fans!

...not the haters

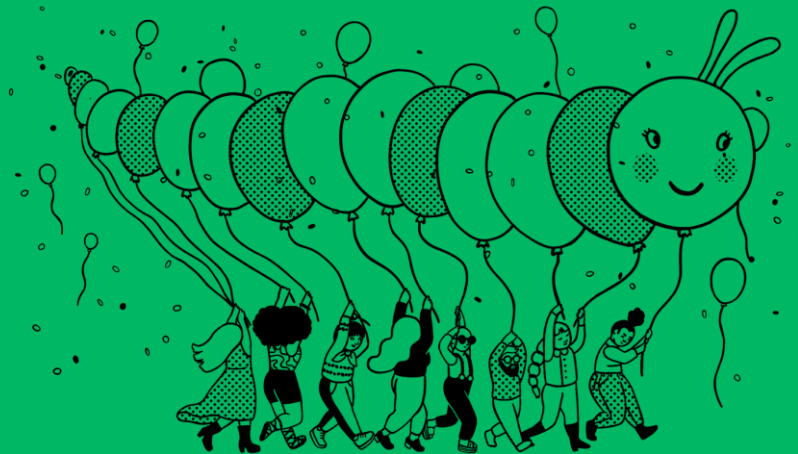
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stakeholder  
group includes  
diverse voices.

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the beginning,  
not the end



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# Thank you!



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