Navigating Uncertainty



It seems as if we've collectively embraced the mantra of **UNPRECEDENTED UNCERTAINTY** to describe the current social, cultural and economic climate.

We all feel it and live it, personally and professionally, day-to-day.

We wanted to curb this feeling of hopelessness with some **POSITIVE** thinking, which will help navigate us through, and out of this uncertainty.



By now we've all probably read one too many articles and seen the flood of responses from brands.

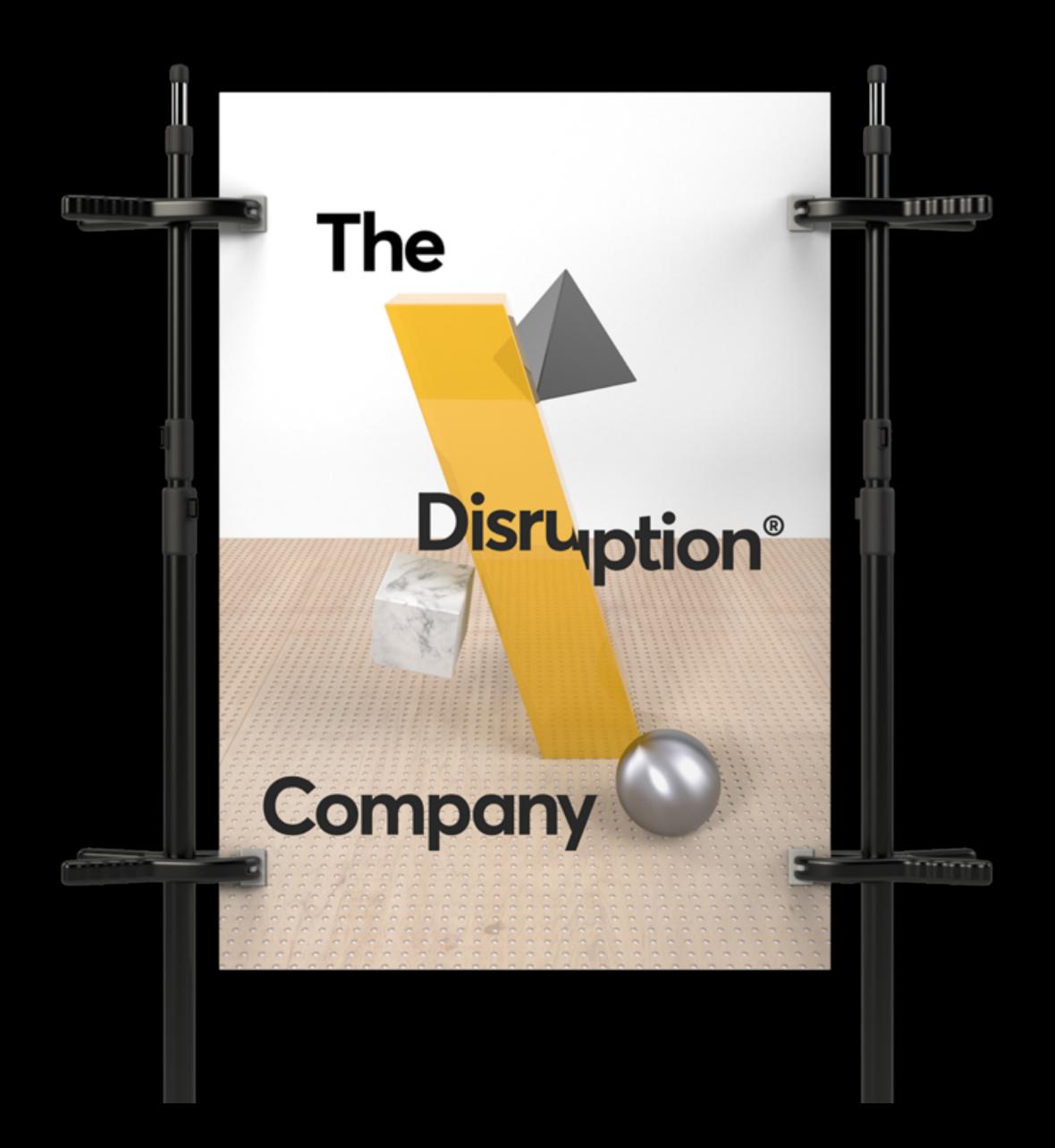
This document simply aims to look further down the line, to what might happen next and how brands can both **LEAD** and **SUPPORT**.



It's in our nature to help navigate businesses through **DISRUPTION**, and see it as a platform for change.

We believe there's a case for positivity and opportunity in times of crisis. We must LOOK FORWARD WITH OPTIMISM.

As an **OPEN COLLECTIVE** we want to do our small bit, share our thoughts with the community and work together to rebuild.



Communities are divided between positivity & fear

In the wake of tragedy & displacement, people are trying to thrive on unity & collective spirit. While positivity and compassion is bringing people together, fear and survivalism is creating a divide. There is a duality in the country with signs of solidarity and fear mongering.

A crisis naturally increases our reliance on, and support of each other. But lack of awareness and ignorance could make things worse.

Current relationships need to grow stronger, bridges need to be built and opponents need to unite- all for the common good.

Industries are innovating in crisis

Ingenuity thrives on limitations.

In every major global crisis or period of tension, we've seen a sharp rise in innovation and creative problem solving.

While emerging technologies are often at the forefront, social and cultural advancements often have a more enduring, long-term impact.

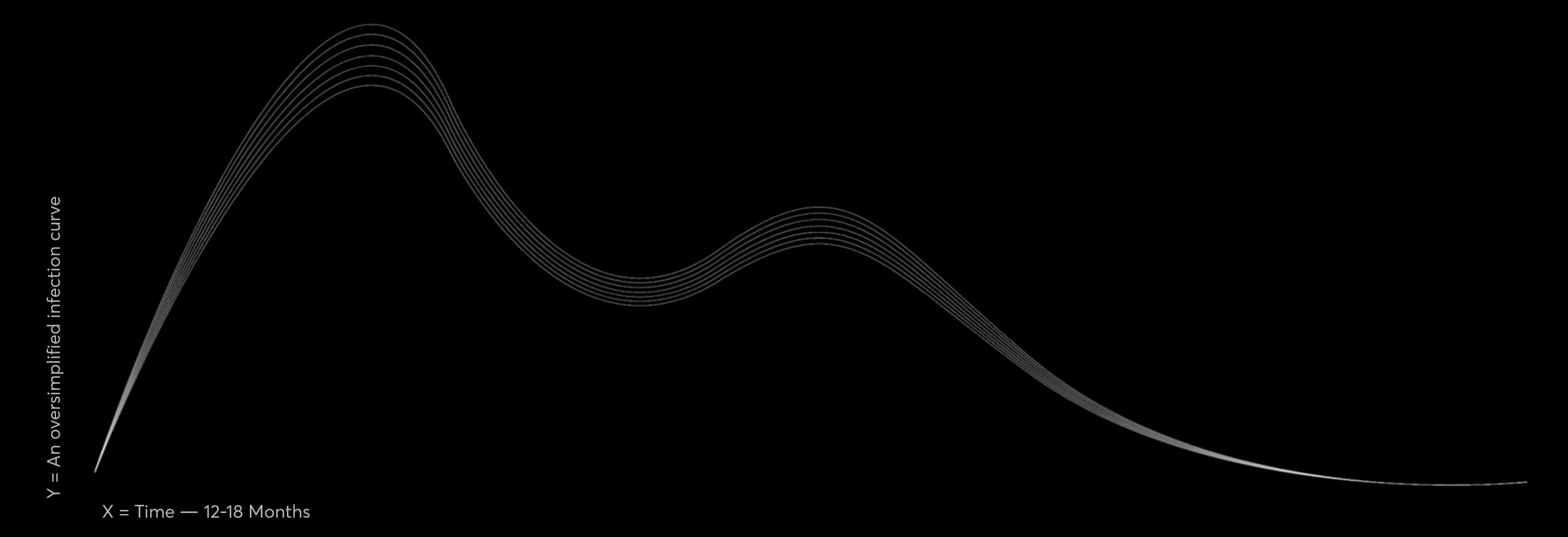


Resilience in the face of adversity grows affinity and loyalty for brands. From economic crisis to countless natural calamities, we've seen hardship and pain as the birthplace of brand love and reputation.

A slowdown naturally increase the need for genuine utility, and we look towards brands who can help fulfil these needs.

Those brands that can be there for people when times are tough, are more top of mind and mean more, when times are better.

We see three phases to this crisis



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characterised by fear, denial and panic as

people grieve normalcy.

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as we come to terms with the new reality we begin to find our feet again as a collective.

2. RECOVERY

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3. REVIVAL

A proactive moment of considered action: as we leave limitations behind and rebuild, deciding on what to keep or discard.

"I want hope and optimism"

"I want clear information and utility"

We've been in rapid **RESPONSE** mode for the last two weeks and we'll most likely continue in this state for a short while longer.

People will continue to seek clarity of information, help and/or entertainment.

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The final four emerging values focus on the **REVIVAL** of communities and consumer mindsets

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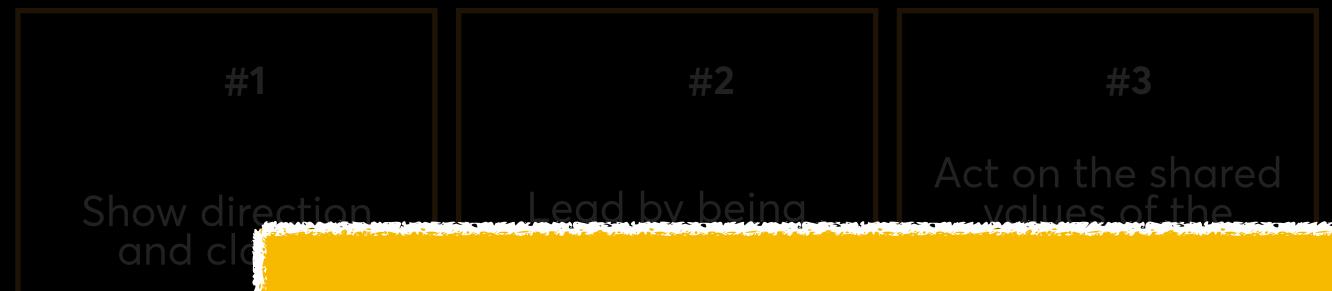
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Break away from tradition

Identify new opportunities with the resources you have.

Think about how you can 'adapt' your purpose so people will care.

Reassess the meaning of your brand values

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