

Defining Your Problem Hypothesis

The following basic template serves as a guide for creating a problem hypothesis statement.

Basic Problem Hypothesis Statement

When ______ [INSERT: CORE TASK OR OBSERVED NEED],

we believe that ______ [INSERT: TARGET CUSTOMER SEGMENT(S), DEFINED BY DEMOGRAPHIC AND/OR BEHAVIORAL ATTRIBUTES].

who want _____ [INSERT: KEY FUNCTIONAL PERFORMANCE AND/OR PSYCHOLOGICAL NEEDS]

are dissatisfied by ______ [INSERT: EXISTING SOLUTIONS]

because of ______ [INSERT: SHORTCOMINGS OF EXISTING SOLUTION(S)]

and/or because of ______ [INSERT: CONSTRAINTS CONFRONTING CUSTOMERS].