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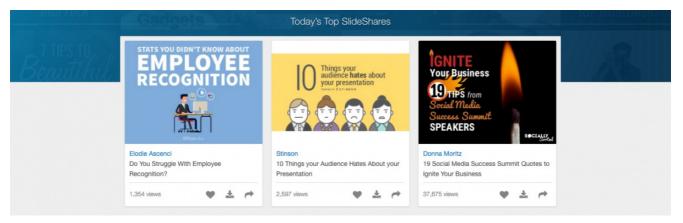


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The people at Social Media Examiner have taken notice of SlideShare as well, further proving its value. They've come up with four useful tips so you can generate more leads while using the platform. Here's just one of the strategies they recommend:

Look to Others for Guidance

It's important to understand what's already working for others on SlideShare before you spend too much time putting together a deck that no one wants to look at.

To begin, search SlideShare to **see what some of the most popular slide decks look like**, and **understand which elements you should replicate in your own decks**.

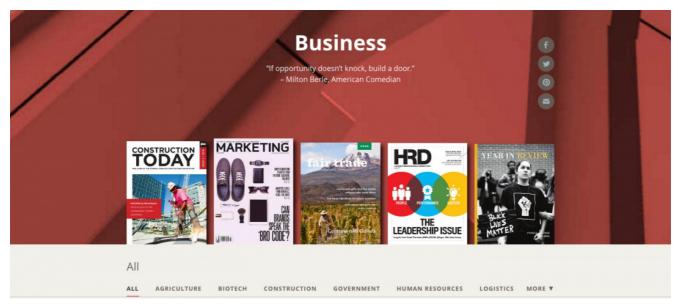
For example, if you're trying to get people to participate in an Instagram class you're promoting, you can search the social media category in SlideShare.

Flip through some of the slide decks you see and **make notes on the following to guide your own SlideShare deck**:

- Cover slide elements
- Number of slides in each deck
- Font size and the number of words per slide
- Color scheme
- Title
- Types of content in each deck (slide deck, infographic, document, etc.)
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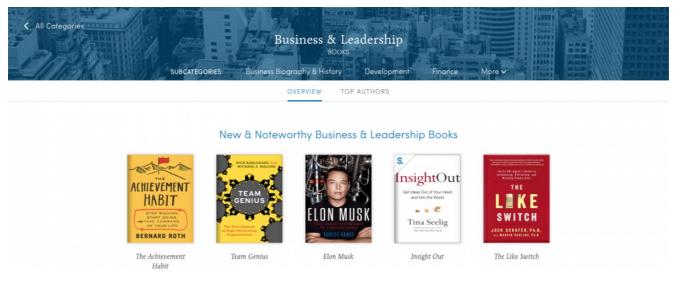
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