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How to get found, chosen and remembered by customers near you

Local customers decide fast. They search, compare, check reviews and contact whoever feels most trustworthy and reachable. This guide shows you how to win each step, so more people nearby find you, choose you and come back.

1 How local customers choose

A local customer usually follows the same path. If you are weak at any step, they move on to a competitor.

1	**They search** On Google or Google Maps: 'dentist near me', 'best interior designer in Jaipur'.
2	**They compare** They look at the top few results, ratings, photos, and distance.
3	**They check trust** They read reviews and look at your website and social profiles.
4	**They contact** A call or WhatsApp message. Whoever replies first often wins.
5	**They visit, buy, and decide whether to return** A good experience brings a review, repeat business and referrals.

2 Get found: show up when they search

- Claim and fully complete your Google Business Profile. Choose the most specific main category.
- Keep your name, address and phone number identical on your website, Google, and every directory.
- Add a page on your website for each main service and each key area you serve.
- List your business on trusted local directories and keep the details identical.
- Add photos regularly, and post updates on your profile every week.

PRO TIP
Many local searches come from a phone. Make sure your website opens fast on mobile and your phone number is tappable.

3 Get chosen: build trust quickly

- Reviews: ask every happy customer, ideally the same day. Use a short link and QR code. Reply to every review.
- Photos and videos: show your real place, your real team and your real work.
- Proof: show testimonials, before and after work, certificates, and years of experience. Only show what is true.
- Clear offers and prices: customers choose faster when they know what to expect.

4 Get contacted: make it easy to say yes

- Put a call button and a WhatsApp button on every page and on your Google profile.
- Set up a WhatsApp Business greeting and quick replies for common questions.
- Reply to every enquiry within an hour during working time. Faster is better.
- Keep your forms short: name, phone, and what they need.
- Keep a simple enquiry list so no lead is forgotten: name, number, date, status.

PRO TIP
Speed to reply is one of the cheapest ways to grow. If your enquiries are not turning into customers, check your reply time before you spend more on ads.

5 Get repeat customers and referrals

It costs less to bring back a happy customer than to find a new one. Build a simple routine.

- Thank every customer personally after the visit or job, and ask for a review.
- Save customer details with permission, and send useful updates or offers on WhatsApp. Never message people who have not agreed to hear from you.
- Create a simple referral offer: a small thank-you for the customer and for the friend.
- Remind customers about regular needs: check-ups, servicing, renewals, seasonal offers.

6 Use local ads wisely

Once your basics are strong, ads can multiply the results.

- Google Ads: best when people search for your service and want it soon. Target your city or the area you serve.
- Meta Ads: best for offers, new launches, and reaching people who have not searched yet. Target a radius around your location.
- Always send ads to a page that matches the offer, with one clear action.
- Start with a small budget, learn what works, then increase it.

7 Your weekly growth routine

When	What to do
Every day	Reply to all calls, messages and reviews. Update your enquiry list.
Every week	Post on Google and social media. Ask 5 happy customers for reviews. Check ad results.
Every month	Review enquiries, cost per enquiry, and new customers. Update photos. Plan next month's offer.
Every quarter	Review your website, profile and ads for gaps. Drop what is not working. Try one new idea.

EXAMPLE

An example to help you think: if you get 40 enquiries a month and turn 10 into customers, your enquiry to customer rate is 25 percent. Improving your reply speed and follow-up can often lift that number, which grows sales without adding any ad spend. (This is an illustrative example, not a promise.)

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