

## Beyond the Meme: How to Reach Millennials

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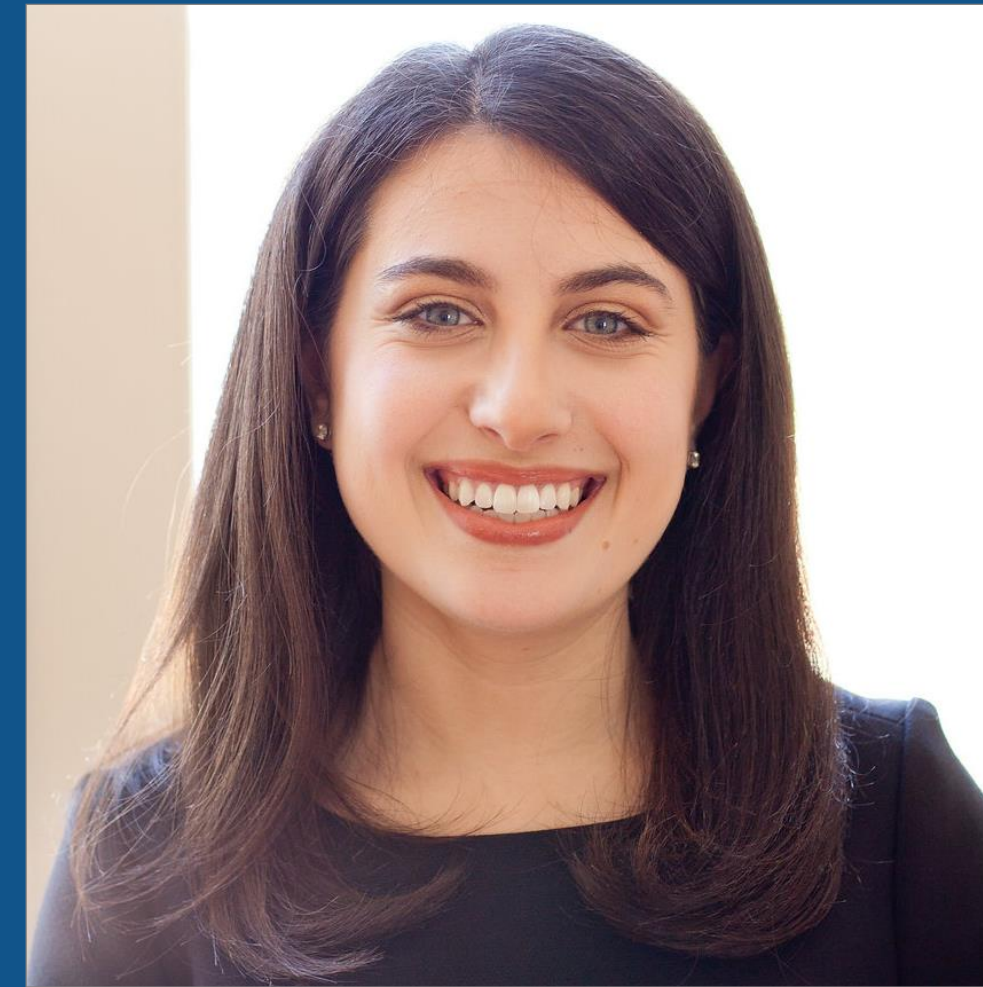
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**Millennial Shoppers Don't Fit the Norm**

Millennials Are Big Credit Card Users After All

Helping Bosses Decode  
Millennials—for \$20,000 an Hour

Millennials And Shopping: How Retailers Are  
Missing The Mark

*Brands Woo Millennials With a Wink, an Emoji or Whatever It Takes*

Millennials aren't spending money like their parents did

**Millennials Have Taken Over  
Retail: Now What?**

Millennials Trust Big Retail Brands the Most

*Trying to Pin Down the Mosaic of Millennial Tastes*

Most Millennials Don't Trust Big Luxury  
Brands and Brands are Taking Notice

Why Text Message Marketing  
Works on Millennials

Millennial Moms (And Dads)  
Bringing Back The Art Of  
Couponing

**Millennials are not OK with using emoji at work**

**Study: Millennials Are the Most  
Brand-Loyal Generation**

Why Emoji Are Suddenly  
Acceptable at Work

**Millennials are 'unstructured  
shoppers': new study**

**Study: Brand loyalty not such  
a biggie for millennials**

**Survey: Millennials don't save, but love 'impulse shopping'**

The real reason so many millennials are living at home

**Bae on fleek! Social media leads 'rapid' change in English language**

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75

million

largest population  
cohort in the US

18  
*to* 34

years old

from adulthood to  
parenthood

\$2

trillion

purchasing power,  
commanding spend





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Eclectics



Skeptics



Trendsetters



**Sometimes it's hard  
to connect the dots.**

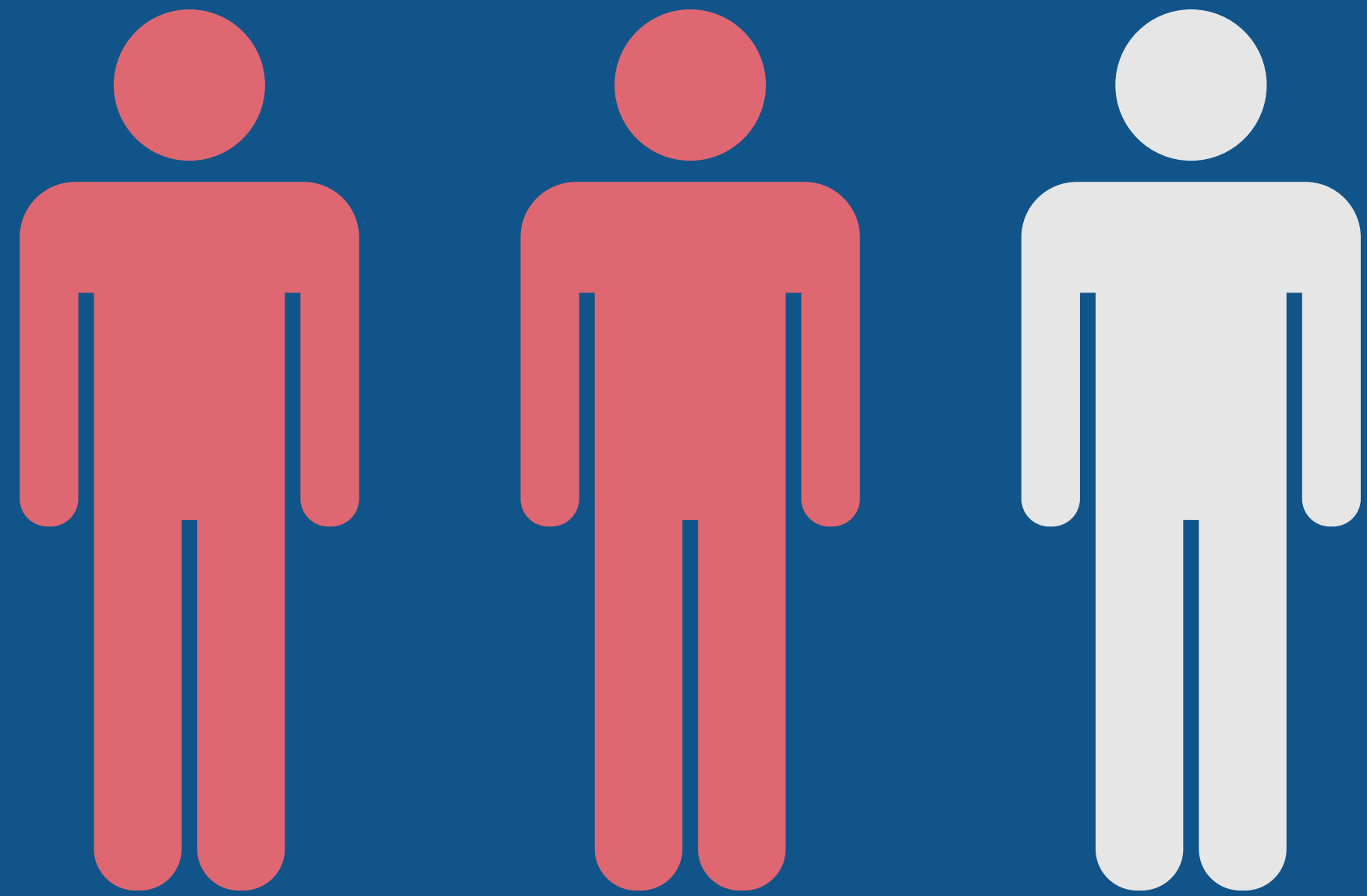
- 1 *I want consistency across channels*
- 2 *I want content that engages me—not pushes me to buy*
- 3 *I want to shop right here, right now*
- 4 *I want this specific to my needs (which you should know)*
- 5 *If I like you, I want a relationship*





**I want consistency across channels**





**2 in 3 millennials**  
**use mobile apps when**  
**shopping in-store**



*Mobile apps can both draw customers in-store and assist their shopping experience once inside*







***Store-based digital platforms, like interactive displays or autonomous robots, extend the service offering at large format retailers***





**I want content that engages me,  
not pushes me to buy**



# 31%

**of millennials**  
**are more likely to buy if the**  
**content is not *salesy***





*Apparel brands have made their live-streamed runway shows shoppable to capture impulse buys*

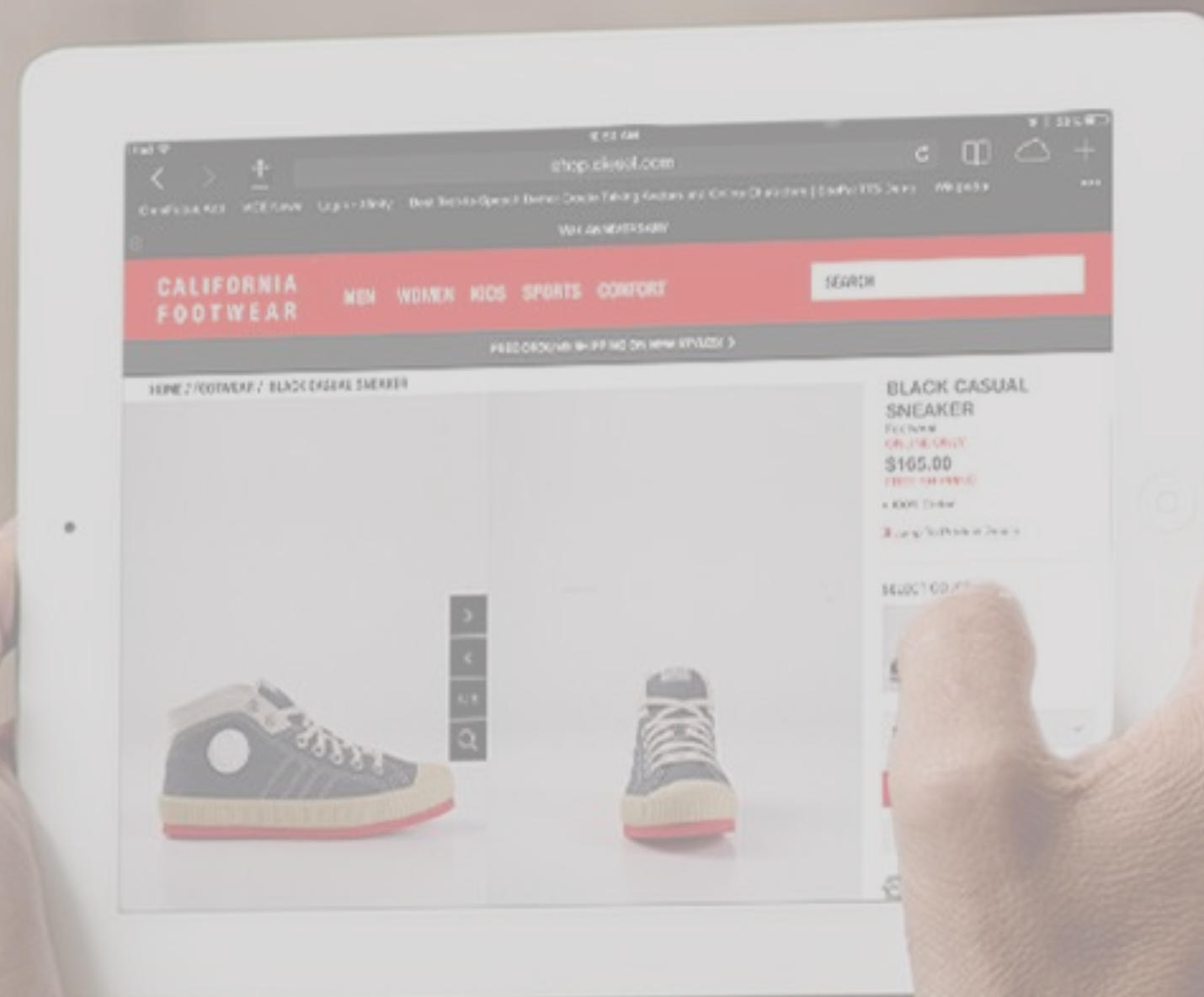


*New tech platforms like Olapic and Curalate help brands, shoppers, and influencers make user content shoppable*





I want to shop right  
here, right now



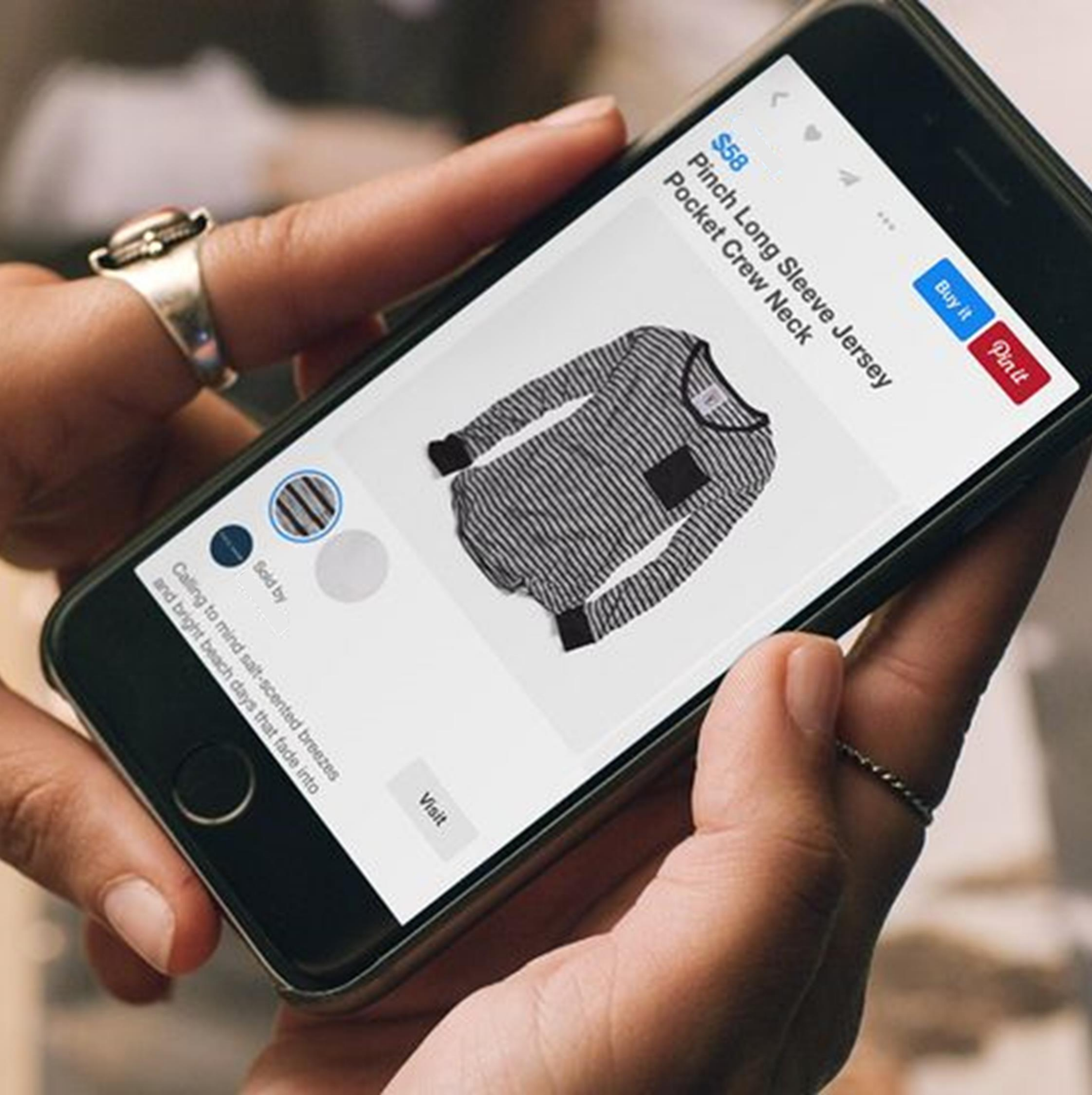


# 62%

## of millennials

use smartphones for  
shopping because they can  
do it anywhere, anytime

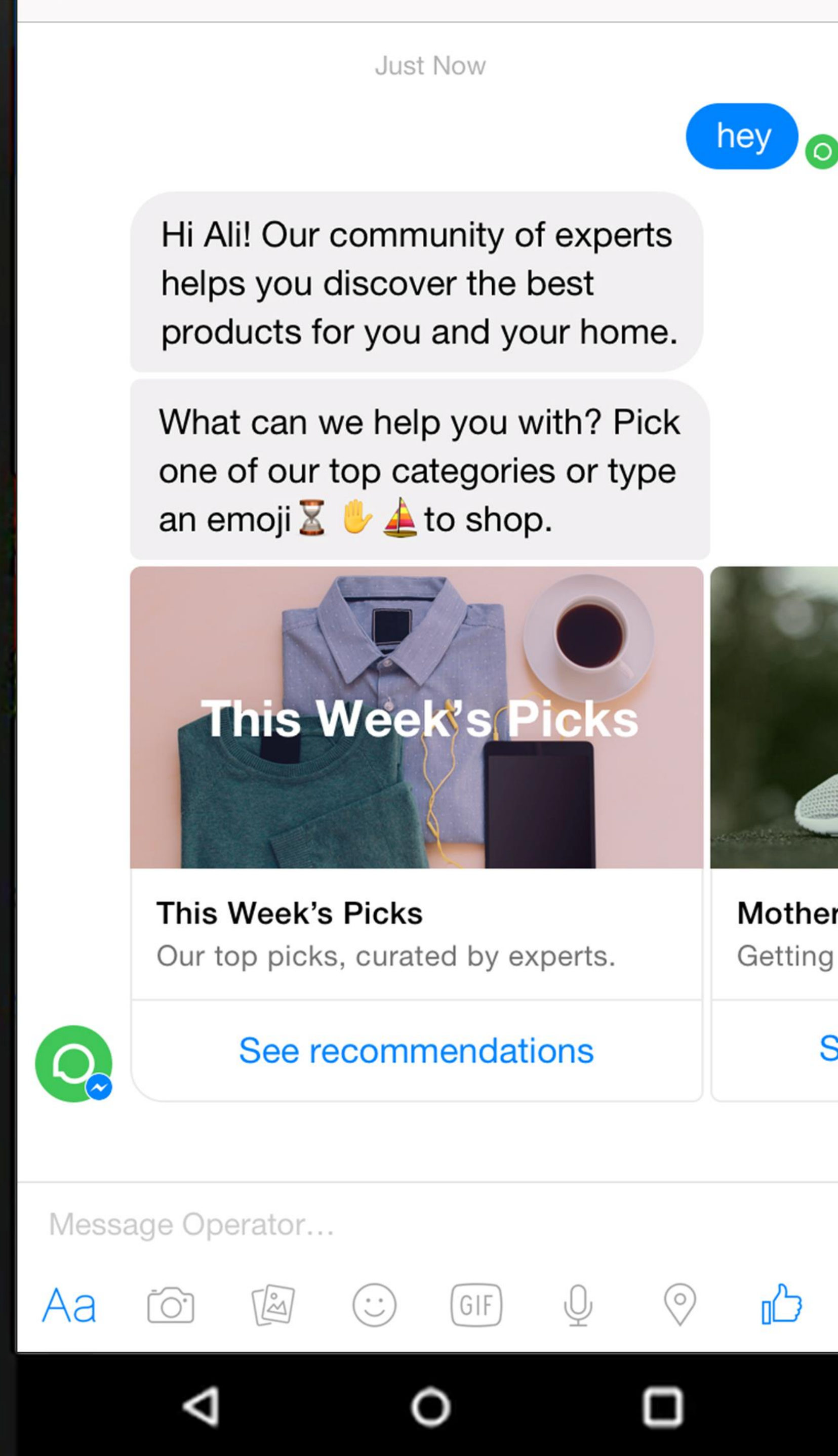




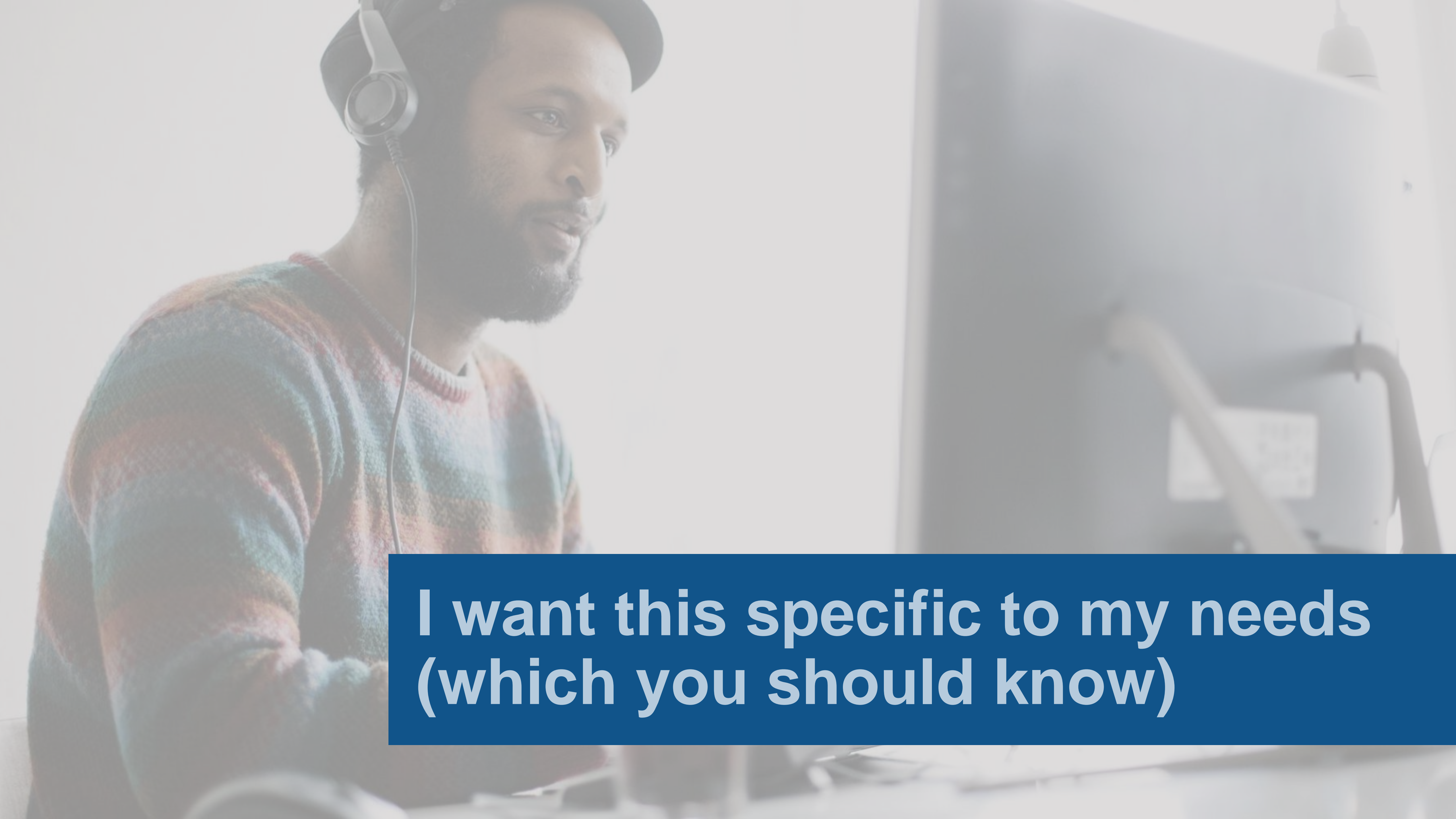
***Social platforms serve as marketplaces with in-app purchasing and seamless payment options***



***Messaging platforms have evolved beyond group chat, now automating sales assistance***





A man with a beard and a black cap is wearing a headset with a microphone. He is wearing a colorful, patterned sweater and is looking towards a large computer monitor on the right side of the frame. The background is a bright, slightly blurred office environment. A dark blue banner with white text is overlaid on the bottom right of the image.

**I want this specific to my needs  
(which you should know)**



# 60%

## of millennials

are willing to provide their personal preferences but expect it will lead to a hyper-targeted experience



*Beauty retailers are linking customer data from purchases and explicit preferences for more relevant recommendations*







*Many activewear brands are tapping into multiple external data sources for personalization*





**If I like you, I want a relationship**



millennials are

**1.5x**

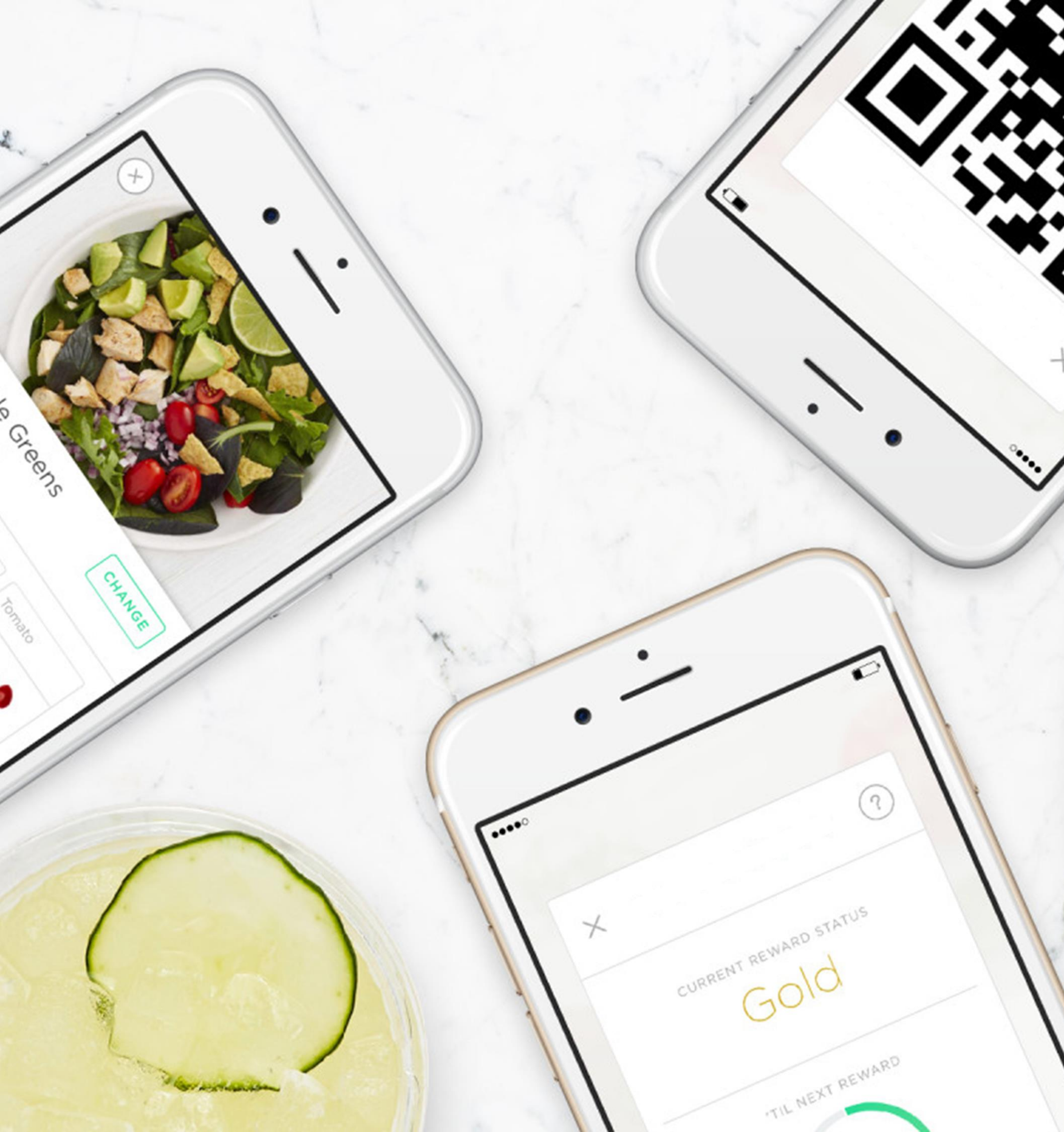
more willing than boomers to pay a premium, if they earn loyalty points



*Loyalty programs that are easy to use, accept all payment types and can be accessed in multiple forms*





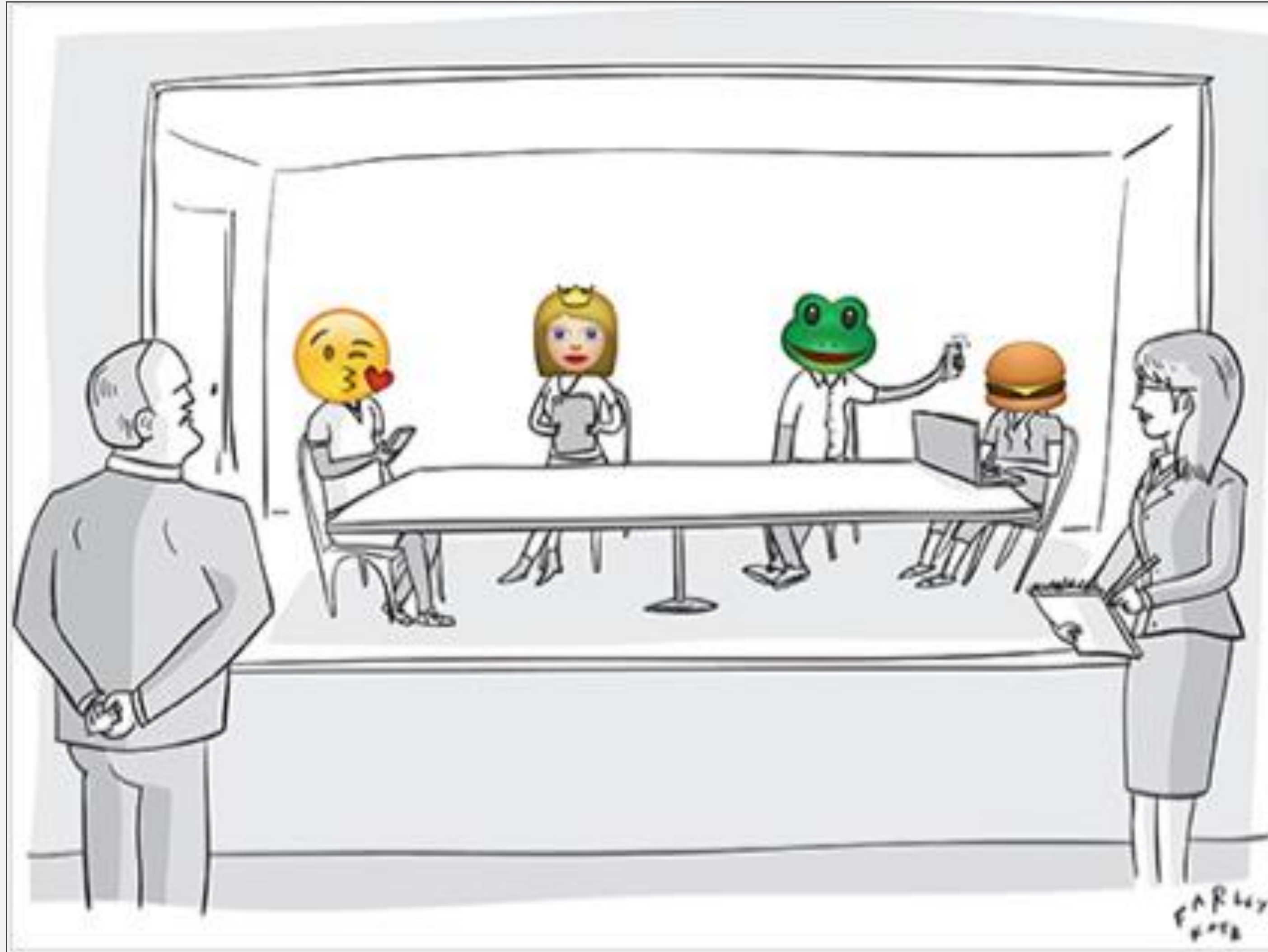


***Major fast casual food and drink retailers are leveraging mobile apps for integrated payment, loyalty rewards, and ordering***



- 1** *I want consistency across channels*  
**Align systems and capabilities to deliver a seamless brand journey**
- 2** *I want content that engages me—not pushes me to buy*  
**Deliver brand authentic content that is creative and commercial**
- 3** *I want to shop right here, right now*  
**Make shopping convenient by integrating with new channels**
- 4** *I want this specific to my needs (which you should know)*  
**Leverage data to personalize the experience**
- 5** *If I like you, I want a relationship*  
**Build loyalty with ease of use and relevant offers**





***“We may not understand millennials,  
but as God is my witness, we’ll take their money.”***



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# *Thank you!*

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