## Brand Storefronts: Shopify Setup + Amazon Seller Launch

A successful D<sub>2</sub>C brand starts with a strong digital storefront. Whether you're selling through Shopify or launching a marketplace store on Amazon, your setup determines your early momentum.

### A. Shopify Setup: Building a Conversion-Ready Store

### 1. Choosing the Right Theme

Look for:

- Fast loading speed
- Clean UI
- Mobile responsiveness
- Flexible product page layouts

Popular themes: Dawn, Motion, Impulse, Refresh

### 2. Essential Shopify Pages

- Homepage (value proposition + hero section)
- Product page (benefits, images, reviews)
- Collection pages
- About page

- Contact + support page
- FAQ page

### 3. Must-Have Shopify Apps

- Klaviyo for email flows
- **Judge.me** for reviews
- **Reconvert** for post-purchase upsells
- **PageFly** for landing pages
- Shopify Inbox for chat

### 4. Conversion-Ready Product Pages

- High-quality images
- Problem » solution storytelling
- Trust badges
- Clear pricing
- Strong CTA buttons
- Fast checkout options

### 5. Shopify Analytics Setup

- GA4 integration
- Meta Pixel

- TikTok Pixel
- UTM structure
- Payment gateway analytics (Shopify Payments)

A good Shopify store is not just pretty - it is engineered to convert.

## B. Amazon Seller Launch: Entering the Marketplace Correctly

### 1. Choose Your Seller Account

- Individual
- Professional (recommended for serious sellers)

### 2. Create Optimized Product Listings

Key components:

- High-res images
- SEO-optimized title
- Keyword-rich bullet points
- Clear product description
- A+ content for conversions

### 3. Amazon Fees & Logistics

FBA (Fulfilled by Amazon)
FBM (Fulfilled by Merchant)
Referral fees
Storage fees
Amazon Launch Strategy
Keyword research
Sponsored product ads
Competitor analysis
Review generation

### **5. Essential Tools**

- Helium10
- Jungle Scout
- Amazon Brand Registry

• Lightning deals (optional)

• SellerApp

A well-prepared Amazon launch ensures faster ranking and early sales velocity.

# 2. Project Walkthrough & Doubt Resolution with Captain Divya

This module simulates a **live mentorship environment**, where learners follow a structured project from start to finish.

#### **What This Module Covers**

- 1. Setting up a sample Shopify store
- 2. Creating a Meta & Google ad campaign
- 3. Launching a basic Amazon product listing
- 4. Tracking and analytics setup
- 5. Troubleshooting real-world problems

### **Key Learning Outcomes**

- Understand how to take a D2C brand from o → 1
- Experience actual campaign dashboards
- Get clarity on targeting, tracking, creatives
- Learn mistakes beginners commonly make
- Build confidence in handling end-to-end execution

### **Common Doubts Addressed by Captain Divya**

• "Which campaign type should I start with?"

- "How do I structure my product page for conversions?"
- "Why isn't my pixel tracking correctly?"
- "My ads aren't spending what do I do?"
- "How do I lower my CPA?"

This module makes complex execution feel simple and actionable.

# 3. D2C SEO: Organic Moat + Programmatic SEO Basics

Paid ads build velocity. SEO builds durability. D2C brands need both.

## A. Building an Organic Moat

### 1. On-Page SEO

- Keyword-optimized product pages
- Metadata: title, description, schema
- Internal links
- Clean URLs
- Image ALT tags

### 2. Content Strategy

- Blogs targeting buying intent
- Product comparison pages
- Problem-solution articles
- Category page content

### 3. Technical SEO

- Fast Core Web Vitals
- Secure HTTPS
- XML sitemap
- No broken links
- Mobile-first indexing

### 4. Review & UGC Signals

- Search engines trust brands with consistent user-generated content
- Customer photos and reviews help in ranking

## **B. Programmatic SEO Basics**

Programmatic SEO helps brands scale content faster using templates + automation.

#### **How It Works**

- Create a template (location pages, ingredient pages, comparisons)
- Pull data dynamically
- Generate 100s of pages in minutes

### **Programmatic Use Cases**

- "Best X for Y" pages
- Ingredient pages (cosmetics, skincare, wellness)
- Location service pages
- Product comparison matrices

### **Tools for Programmatic SEO**

- Webflow CMS
- Airtable
- Google Sheets + GPT
- Low-code automation builders

Organic visibility becomes a long-term asset that compounds over time.

# 4. Amazon Ads + Marketplace Strategy Deep Dive

Amazon is more than a marketplace - it's a search engine with purchase intent.

### A. Amazon Ads Overview

### 1. Sponsored Product Ads

- High intent
- Best for ranking keywords
- Ideal for beginners

### 2. Sponsored Brand Ads

- Show at the top of search
- Great for brand visibility
- Useful for multi-product catalogs

### 3. Sponsored Display Ads

- Retargeting
- Cross-product promotions
- Competitor conquesting

## **B. Ranking Strategy**

**Key Ranking Signals** 

- Sales velocity
- CTR
- Conversion rate
- Product reviews
- Fully optimized listings

### **Ranking Strategy Framework**

- Identify keywords
- Run PPC to generate initial sales
- Improve listing quality
- Push organic rank via conversions
- Maintain velocity

## **C.** Marketplace Mastery

### **Pricing Strategy**

- Competitive but profitable
- Utilize dynamic pricing tools

### **Inventory Management**

• Avoid stockouts (drops ranking instantly)

• Manage FBA storage costs

### **Review Strategy**

- Post-purchase emails
- Vine program
- Excellent customer service

A deep understanding of marketplace behaviour is crucial for long-term success.

## 5. Retention, Email/SMS Journeys + Analytics Stack

Retention is where real profit lies.

Paid marketing gets customers.

Retention multiplies their lifetime value.

### A. Email & SMS Journeys That Convert

### Core Journeys for Every D2C Brand

- 1. Welcome Flow
- 2. Abandoned Cart Flow
- 3. Browse Abandonment
- 4. Post-Purchase Nurture

- 5. Replenishment Reminders
- 6. VIP/Loyalty Sequences

### **Key Principles**

- Personalize using behaviour
- Keep messages short
- Use strong visuals
- Deliver value, not noise

## **B. Retention Strategies**

### 1. Loyalty Programs

- Points
- Cashbacks
- VIP tiers

### 2. Subscription Models

- Auto-delivery
- Membership perks

### 3. Surprise & Delight

- Birthday offers
- Special thank-you notes
- Free samples

Retention = higher LTV + lower acquisition pressure.

## C. Analytics Stack Setup

### **Tools You Need**

- GA<sub>4</sub> » website behaviour
- Klaviyo / Mailchimp » email analytics
- Meta + Google dashboards
- Shopify Analytics
- Looker Studio (for custom reports)

### **Metrics That Matter**

- Repeat purchase rate
- LTV/CAC ratio
- Email revenue %
- SMS engagement rate
- Return customer %

A strong analytics stack allows you to diagnose bottlenecks and scale confidently.