## What is a contract?



A fair and just agreement between parties. Never is! Just a point in time.

- Perfect Universe: both parties benefit equally. Strategy.
- Compromise Universe: both parties compromise. Reality and Flexibility.
- Obligation Universe: both parties commit. Time and Exit!

### Navigating Pre-Contract Waters



- Letter of Intent (LOI): non-binding document indicating preliminary agreement on certain terms.
- Letter of Commitment (LOC): binding document where a party pledges to specific obligations.
- **Pre-Buy**: *contract* to purchase prior availability.
- **Option**: contract of exclusive rights to acquire at agreed terms within a specific period.

### Critical Terms of Licensing Agreements



- Exclusivity: Buyer's sole right.
- Territory: Geographic scope.
- Term/Duration: Lifespan and active period.
- Runs: Allowed repetitions.
- License Fee: Payment structure.
- Delivery and Acceptance: Content handover and approval.
- Usage Rights: Permitted uses.
- Content Modifications: Buyer's ability to alter content.
- Credit and Moral Rights: Obligations and integrity.
- Indemnification and Liability: Legal safeguards. Jurisdiction.
- Termination and Remedies: Exit clauses and conflict resolution.



### **Negotiation Stages**

Preparation:
Research and set
clear goals.
HOMEWORK FIRST

Meet and Greet: Establish rapport. -SHAKE HANDS **Exploration**: Share needs and interests.

**OPEN THE BOOK** 

**Setting the Agenda:** Organize discussion

topics.

Initial Offers: Present and counter proposals.

**SHOW YOUR CARDS** 

**Problem Solving:** Work through

differences.

FIND THE KEY

Clarification and Concession: Fine-tune details.

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Reaching
Agreement: Verbally
agree to terms.
HANDSHAKE DEAL

**Drafting:** Write the contract.

**PEN TO PAPER** 

Final Negotiations:
Adjust as needed.
LAST CHECK

**Seal the Deal:** Sign the contract.

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Post-Agreement
Actions: Execute
agreed steps.
ACTION TIME

# Best Reflexes when Negotiating

- Preparation: Have clear objectives.
- Active Listening: Focus on the other party.
- Flexibility: Be open to compromise.
- Clarity: Clearly communicate needs.
- · Fairness: Aim for mutual benefit.

