

# ULTIMATE ACCOUNT RESEARCH CHECKLIST

## LEVEL 1

### Basic Company Research

#### LinkedIn

- Employee Count: Are they growing, flat, or shrinking? Which departments dominate?
- HQ Location: Where's the center of power? Do we have customers in the region?
- Industry: What industry are they in? Do we serve similar companies or use cases?

#### Website

- Product: What do they sell?
- Target Industry: Which industries do they focus on?
- Case Studies: Who is their ICP? Who typically buys from them?
- Business Model: How do they make money? (e.g., pricing pages, subscriptions)
- Value Proposition: What features, use cases, and value do they highlight?

## LEVEL 2

### Deep Company Research

#### Investor Relations and Edgar Database

- Annual Reports: What are their strategic priorities and challenges?
- SEC Filings (10-K, 10-Q, DEF 14A): Strategic goals, financials, exec. comp, board info

#### BusinessWire or Company Homepage

- Press Releases: Product launches, partnerships, major initiatives

#### SeekingAlpha or similar

- Earnings Call Transcripts: Executive voice, analyst Q&A, quarterly/annual focus

#### ListenNotes or similar

- Podcasts: Tactical insights from mid-level stakeholders or execs' strategic insights

#### LinkedIn Jobs or Career Page

- Job Openings: Reveal current priorities, team expansions, tech stack, priority projects

## LEVEL 3

### Contact Research

#### LinkedIn or Sales Navigator, X, Reddit, Company Pages, Online Search

- Recent Hires: Who's shaking up departments? New leaders = new priorities
- Recent Departures: Why did they leave? What gaps might now exist?
- Key Stakeholders: Map decision-makers via LinkedIn and research
- Professional Backgrounds: Understand history, moves and past experience
- Online Presence: Personality clues from content, posts, or interviews
- Personal Insights: Shared hometown, school, passions? Use them to build rapport