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## **Characteristics of Good Brand Name**

Choosing the right brand name is not an easy decision. What makes this decision important is the fact that once a brand name is chosen and the product is launched in the market, changing the brand name is very difficult. So, getting it right the first time is very essential. Following are some of the considerations, which should be kept in mind while choosing a brand name.

- (i) The brand name should be short, easy to pronounce, spell, recognize and remember e.g., Ponds, VIP, Rin, Vim, etc.
- (ii) A brand should suggest the product's benefits and qualities. It should be appropriate to the product's function. e.g., Rasika, Genteel, Promise, My Fair Lady and Boost.
- (iii) A brand name should be distinctive e.g., Liril, Sprit, Safari, Zodiac.
- (iv) The brand name should be adaptable to packing or labelling requirements, to different advertising media and to different languages.
- (v) The brand name should be sufficiently versatile to accommodate new products, which are added to the product line e.g., Maggie, Colgate.
- (vi) It should be capable of being registered and protected legally. (vii) Chosen name should have staying power i.e., it should not get out of date.

## **Levels of Packaging**

There can be three different levels of packaging. These are as below:

- 1. Primary Package: It refers to the product's immediate container. In some cases, the primary package is kept till the consumer is ready to use the product (e.g., plastic packet for socks); whereas in other cases, it is kept throughout the entire life of the product (e.g., a toothpaste tube, a match box, etc.).
- 2. Secondary Packaging: It refers to additional layers of protection that are kept till the product is ready for use, e.g., a tube of shaving cream usually comes in a card board box. When consumers start using the shaving cream, they will dispose off the box but retain the primary tube.

3. Transportation Packaging: It refers to further packaging components necessary for storage identification or transportation. For example a toothpaste manufacturer may send the goods to retailers in corrugated boxes containing 10, 20, or 100 units.