Business Plans

The Executive Summary Section

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Question

What is the most important part of any business plan?

Answer

The Executive Summary!

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- Contact Information
 - Key person
 - Phone Numbers
 - Email Address
 - Web Site Address

Investor Presentations

- Power Point
- One-Pager

Both are derived from the Executive Summary

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Do It First!