The CORE Follow-Up Script for Agents Turn Leads Into Conversations. Conversations Into Closings. By Michael Amine | NOVA® Home Loans

Introduction: Why Follow-Up Is Everything

In real estate, leads are easy to get. It's follow-up that separates top agents from everyone else.

This script—based on principles from Rick Ruby and The CORE Training—is designed to help you follow up like a pro, position yourself with confidence, and convert more conversations into closings.

Use this for new internet leads, re-engaging cold prospects, or checking in after a buyer consultation.

Section 1: First Contact with a New Lead

"Hi [Name], this is [Agent Name] with [Company Name]. You reached out about [property/type of home/area], and I wanted to introduce myself personally."

"Quick question: Are you still in the market, or just starting to look around?"

[Let them answer, then flow into one of two paths below:]

IF ACTIVE:

"Great! Have you already spoken to a lender and gotten pre-approved yet, or is that something you'd like help with?"

"If you'd like, I can connect you with someone who's fast, clear, and can help strengthen your offer when the time comes. Makes things move smoother on your end."

IF JUST LOOKING:

"Perfect—no pressure. I'm happy to send you a few listings just to get a feel for what's out there."

"Would it be helpful if I connected you with a lender who can help you understand what you'd qualify for when you're ready to take the next step?"



Section 2: Follow-Up After Buyer Consult or Pre-Approval

"Hey [Name], just checking in to see if you had any questions since our last chat."

"Have you seen anything online that caught your eye? Want me to check availability or run comps?"

"Also—my lender partner is keeping a file ready for you so we can move quickly if something pops up. Let me know if you'd like to revisit your pre-approval or update anything."



Section 3: Re-Engaging a Cold Lead

"Hey [Name], I know it's been a little while—just wanted to check in and see if you're still thinking about making a move."

"No pressure at all—I know timing is everything."

"Just wanted you to know I'm here if you need anything, and my lending partner can always help you run numbers when you're ready."

"Let me know if you want to see what's available right now or get reconnected with your financing options."

Tips from the CORE Playbook

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Always ask a question that keeps the conversation going.



Use the lender as a value-add, not a sales push.



Every check-in is an opportunity to position yourself as a guide.



Use voice, text, and email—mix it up based on the client's style.



Set a task to follow up again in 7 days.

Want Help Converting Leads Like This?

Let's talk about how we help agents follow up with structure, speed, and confidence—so nothing slips through the cracks.

