GEOFENCING

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WHAT?

Geofencing is a technique where a phone or other device can be told to take an action when it enters or leaves a determined area

- Send a notification
- Gather data relating to a particular location
- Track smartphones or other RFID chipped devices

Major Use

- A major use of Geofencing is targeted marketing
- This can trigger a notification or alert on a customer's phone when they enter a geofence set up a defined radius from the store
- ► This targets customers who are out and, in the area, already, prompting them to go to the store in question
- Burger King used this with their app
 - Sent people to McDonalds
 - ▶ When customers entered the geofence around McDonalds, they got a coupon for a \$0.01 Whopper if they went back to BK

Possible Use?

- Dunkin Donuts app
 - Uses location services to know where the nearest locations are
 - Suggests waiting until you are closer before ordering
 - Suggestion would lead you to order while on the road to the store
 - Why not use geofencing to submit the order to the store when the customer enters within a specific radius of the store
 - ► Food is fresh when they arrive
 - ▶ No need to use their phone on the way, they can order at home and leave

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