

MIND MAPPING

WHAT IS MIND MAPPING?

Mind mapping is “a diagram for representing tasks, words, concepts, or items link to an arranged around a central concept or subject using a non-linear graphical layout”.

WHEN MIGHT I USE A MIND MAP?

Mind maps might be helpful when brainstorming and visualizing concepts, presenting ideas, outlining reports and documents, and writing essays! Mind maps have been shown to run meetings more effective in running meetings and simplifying tasks and project management.

WHAT SHOULD I INCLUDE ON A MIND MAP?

The Five Essential Characteristics of Mind Mapping:

- 1** The main idea, **subject** or focus is crystallized in a central image
- 2** The main themes radiate from the central image as 'branches'
- 3** The branches comprise a key image or key word drawn or printed on its associated line
- 4** Topics of lesser importance are represented as 'twigs' of the relevant branch
- 5** The branches form a connected nodal structure

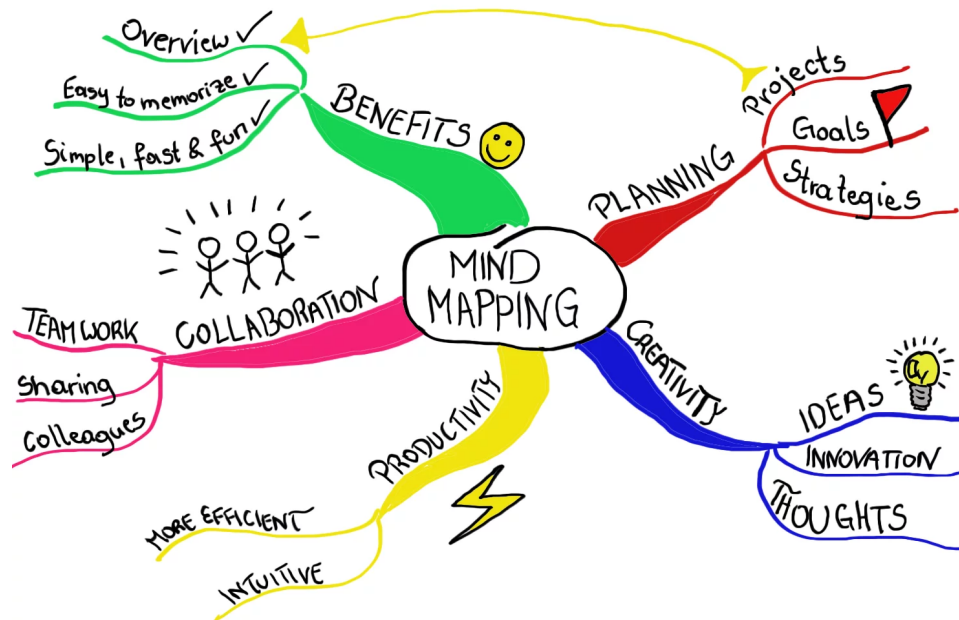
I LIKE THE IDEA OF MIND MAPS, BUT I AM UNSURE WHERE TO START...

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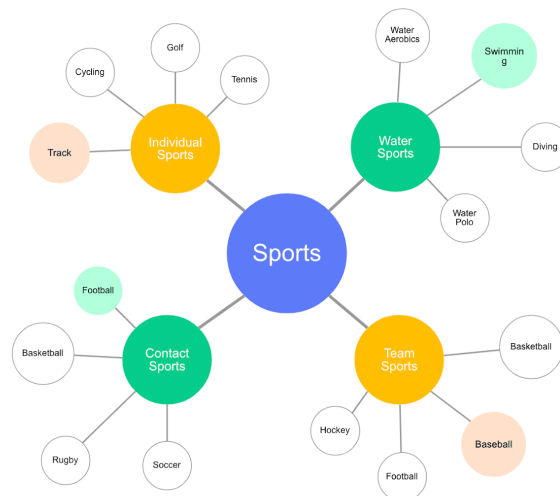
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No worries! You came to the right place. Below are some examples of mind maps, in addition to some templates to help get you started. You can always come into the Writing Center and have one of our tutors help you out!

EXAMPLES OF MIND MAPS



If you like handwriting things, this might look like something you'll do!

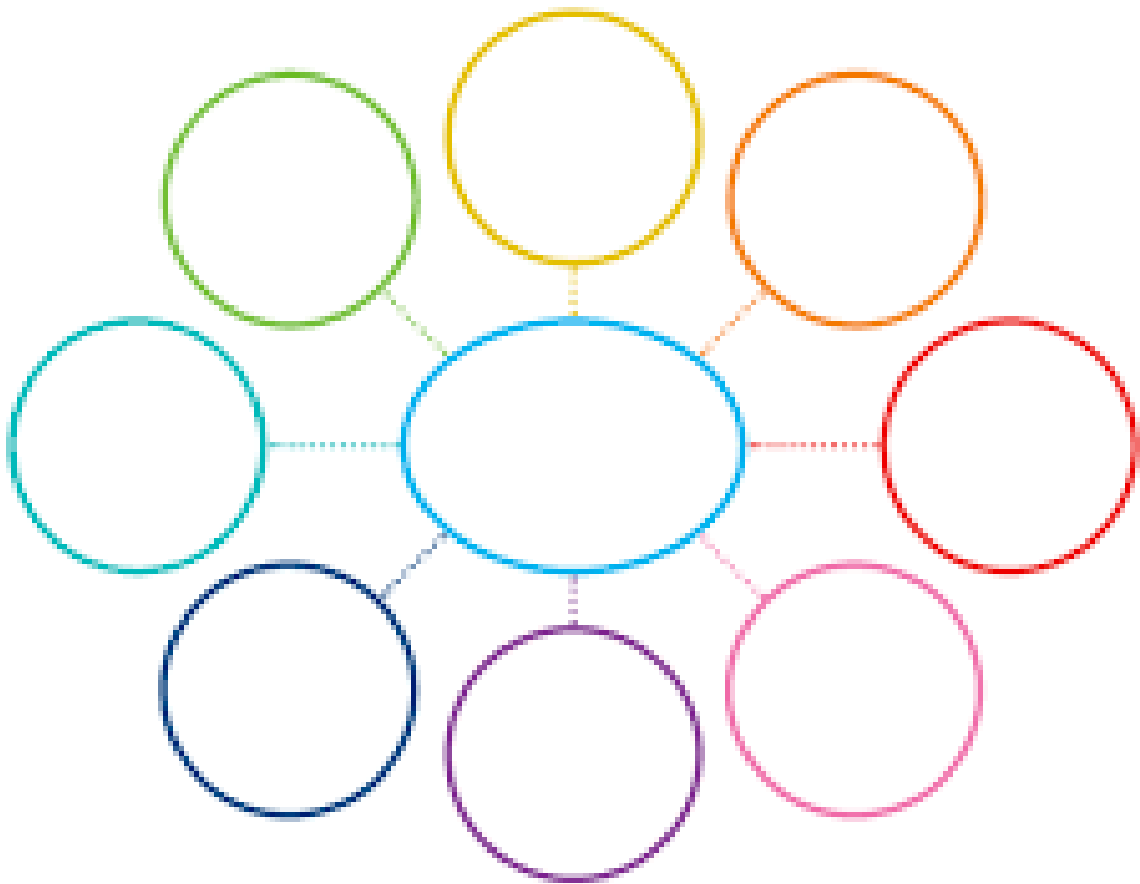


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If you prefer to type or use electronics for your mind map, this might look like something you'll do!

MIND MAP TEMPLATES



If you prefer to electronically make a mind map, here is a [LINK](#) to a great and FREE online tool!

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