

Mind-mapping

Mind-maps are a pictorial way of putting ideas down on paper. They consist of a central word/concept/idea, around which various main ideas are placed. They are much quicker to make than linear notes and because of their visual quality are much easier to remember and review.

How to Mind-map:

- Start from the centre of the page and work out
- Make the centre a clear and strong visual image that depicts the general theme of the map
- Create sub-centres for sub-themes
- Only use key words or concepts
- Put key words on lines
- Use images or icons wherever possible
- Print rather than write in script
- Be clear
- Use colour to depict themes, associations, or to make things stand out
- Anything that stands out on the page will stand out in your mind
- Think three-dimensionally
- Use arrows, icons, or other visual aids to show links between different elements
- Put ideas down as they occur – wherever they fit
- Be creative
- Develop a personal style
- Have fun!