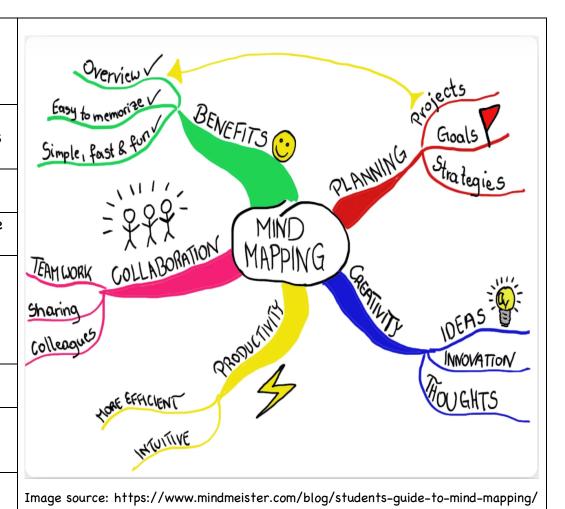
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## MIND MAPPING

The concept of a "mind map" was developed by Tony Buzan.

Here are the main steps to creating a mind map:

- Start in the CENTRE of a blank page turned sideways (landscape)
  - Start there so you can spread your ideas in all different directions
- 2. Use an IMAGE or KEY WORD for your main idea
  - Images are easy to remember and create a focus your thoughts
- 3. Use different COLOURS everywhere
  - Colours are fun and help organize ideas
- 4. CONNECT your MAIN branches to the central image
  - Make this first set of branches are very thick
- 5. **CONNECT** your second and third level branches to the thicker ones
  - Make these branches thinner than the first set
  - All these branches make associations
  - · Helps with understanding and remembering ideas
- 6. Make your branches CURVED instead of straight
  - Your brain doesn't move in straight lines
- 7. Use ONE KEY WORD per branch
  - Put a single word by the branches and avoid long sentences
- 8. Use IMAGES to represent other important ideas
  - An image can represent a thousand words



Source credit: Melanie Pinola and Tony Buzan

Try planning out a mini mind map of your own below using the different steps.

Remember: Your version can look different. Have fun and be creative.