



How to Make a Concept Map

Concept Map:

A visual breakdown of the main ideas and key supporting details in a text.

A Concept Map can be used to:



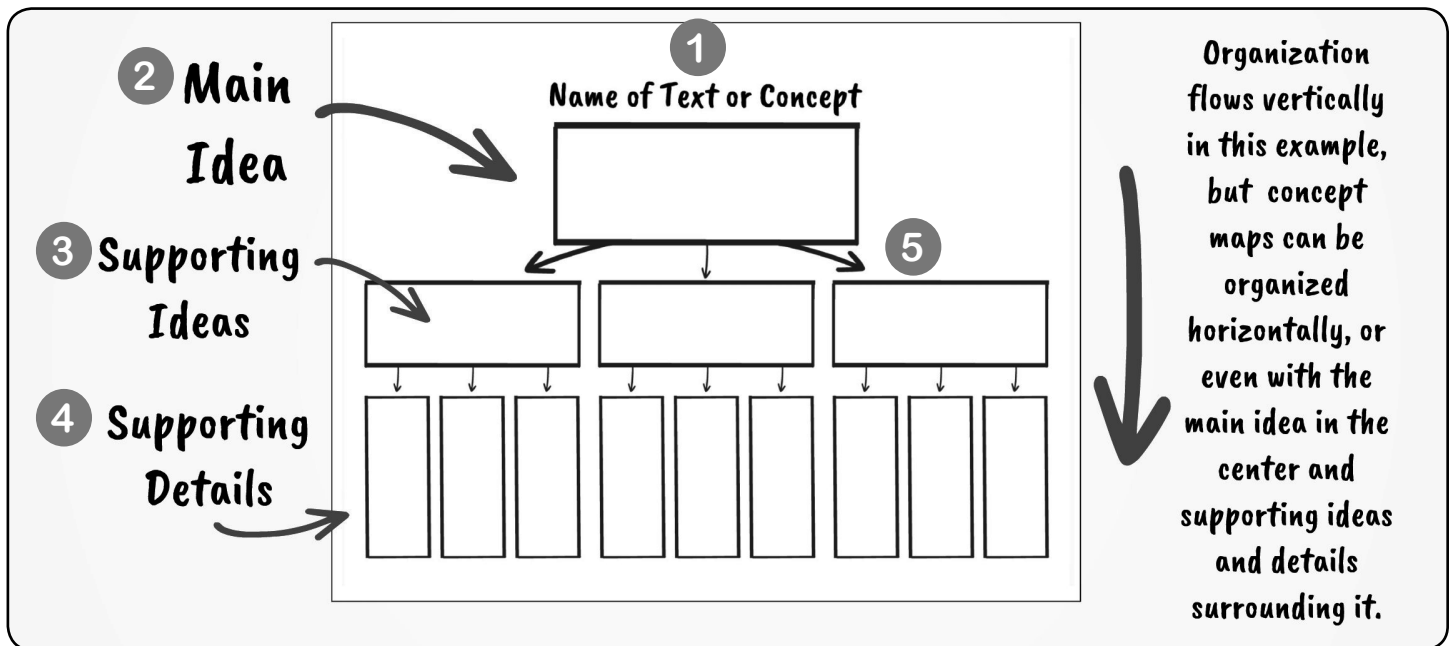
- Map out the main ideas and key supporting details of a text



- Map out ideas for something you want to write

How to Draw a Concept Map:

- 1 Write down the name of the text (or concept) you want to map.
- 2 Draw a box for the main idea.
- 3 Draw boxes for supporting ideas.
- 4 Draw more boxes for supporting details.
- 5 Draw arrows connecting the boxes.



TIPS:

- If the text has sub-headings or sections, refer to them to identify the supporting ideas. If not, look for supporting ideas by identifying the main idea of each body paragraph.
- Key supporting details might consist of key facts, names, dates, concepts, arguments, or examples.