

PREWRITING PROCESS

The following are different steps and tools you might use to support your Prewriting.

1. Getting Your Ideas Out

Mapping Ideas

(Use the Idea Mapping Organizer)

Write the Question or Central Idea you are working on in the Center of your Map.

Connect ideas to Center.

Build Ideas on Ideas.

Free Write

Write the Question or Central Idea you are working on top of your page.

Write . Don't Stop. Your pen is always moving.

If nothing comes to mind write: "Nothing coming to mind"

Listing Ideas

Just like mapping ideas but instead of using ovals and lines just create a list.

2. Prioritizing your Ideas

Go through your Idea Map, Free Write, or List and **highlight your best ideas**.

If you are writing an essay, see if you can find your Main Idea or Thesis.

3. Organizing your Ideas

Outlining is best way to organize your ideas.

The type of outline you use depends on the genre you are writing in.