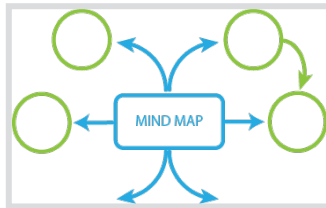


Prewriting Strategies Worksheet

Prewriting is the process of planning and outlining information so that you can write effectively regarding your topic. This worksheet includes prewriting strategies such as clustering/mind mapping, brainstorming, freewriting, and questioning.



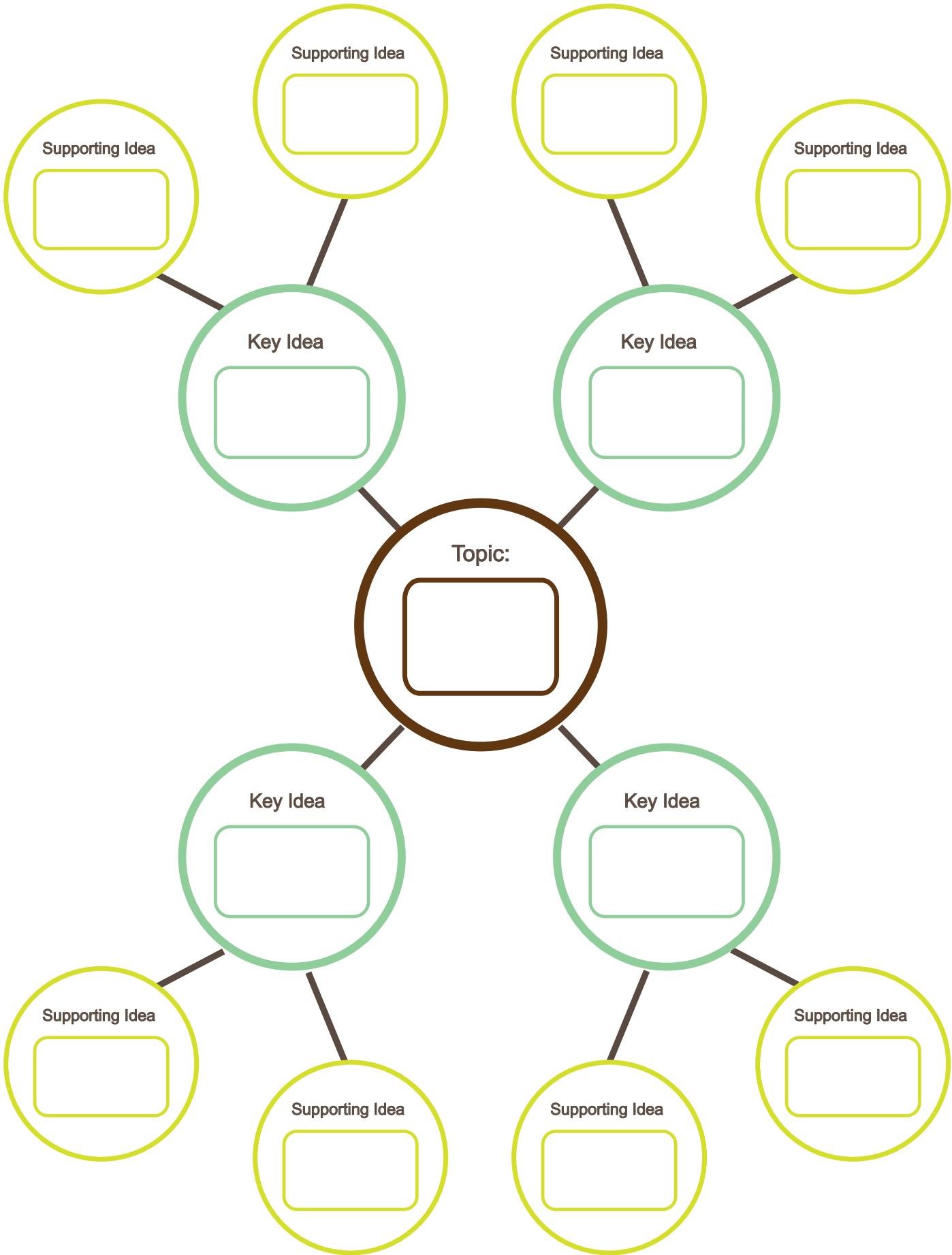
Clustering/Mind Map

Instructions: Select one of the prompts below. Use the clustering strategy to get started. Remember, clustering is often referred to as mind mapping. This process allows you to explore how ideas fit together. Write the topic in the center circle and finish completing the outer circles with ideas that

relate to the subject.

Your prompt for each of these exercises is to choose a term like we did in the brainstorming exercise in class last time. You don't have to work with the term for your paper, but just pick a term for the purposes of this exercise that you might be interested in writing about.

Choose one term, and one pre-writing method. No need to do all, unless you just want to. :)





Brainstorm

Instructions: Use the prompt below to begin brainstorming. Remember, begin with a topic and write down as many ideas as possible.

A large, empty rectangular box for writing, followed by a series of horizontal lines for additional notes or ideas.



Questioning

Instructions: Use the questioning prewriting strategy by answering the questions below about the following prompt.

Who?

What?

Where?

When?

Why?

How?