

Mind Map: From the Spoken Word to the Written Word

A mind map is a tool that can help us to think about, brainstorm, and organize ideas. Take a few minutes to remember experiences from your own life or stories you have heard related to the topics indicated on the mind map: family, friends, school, and sports. Try to think of two or more concrete stories related to the topics.

As you brainstorm about a topic, write supporting details on the lines that connect to the topic. Continue to draw additional lines from that topic and write in supporting details. Do not worry about writing complete sentences or thoughts; your focus should be to write down several related details that will help you in telling the story.

