

## Think better together

## Lesson Plans for student engagement, visual and critical thinking





#### 1. Create your activity

Click on a template or design your own. Tweak the design and set the rules in 2 minutes. Maps are private so you decide who you share it with



#### 2. Invite your students

Share by email, link or Map ID. Each student gets his or her own map and own space to think. Works on any modern browser on any device – nothing to install.



#### 3. Capture responses

Brainstorm easily, honestly and visually. Students work to the rules you set. You can change things as you go.



#### 4. See the results

Comment, prioritise and give feedback. GroupMap can show you the results instantly.

"Achieved a flipped classroom situation...thanks for showing us how ICT can create a paradigm shift" – Dr John Rice, EO, ACDS

"Just wanted to reiterate the value that GroupMap provides. It is really the best of breed!" Paul Williams, Senior Lecturer, School of Education

"The whole concept of GroupMap fits so well with our classroom practice, it's a very exciting and such a useful classroom too!" Louise Bristow, Teacher.

"@dmirbe:...groupmap.com loving this tool. Compliments Hatties Visible Learning theory.I A new fav in my class." Matt Esterman, RT Donna Irbe

### What teachers love about GroupMap





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#### GroupMap benefits

- Deepen understanding of a character by sharing different perspectives.
- Capture individual views before group discussion.
- Each student can accept or reject suggestions from others as part of their thinking.

#### How to run your Character Map exercise

- 1. Invite students to join the *Character Map*.
- 2. Ask them to think about the character in the story (text, video, audio) and to share ther opinions and perspectives on their map.
- 3. Each student will see what others have added and choose to add or remove these suggestions from their own map by using ticks and crosses.
- 4. View the results. The more times it has been added, the larger it will be displayed.
- 5. Go through each heading and facilitate discussion.

■ Brainstorm → Results Character Map -	Ned Kelly
What the character says or does?	What others think of the character?
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He used to hold up carriages and take their money and jewels	He is a cultural icon
quel in life "Such Is Life"	He was a criminal that needed to be caught
	Villain - thief
Looks after his family	Hero - good for poor people
Holds up the rich to steal for the poor.	<i>Y</i> <b>N</b>
How the character looks and feels	How do you feel about the character
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Big Beard	I feel sorry that he had to go through the things he did.
big beard	I'm not sure, it's hard to imagine what it would have been like
He carries 2 guns	He feels like the real Robin Hood of Australia
	Had a hard life and was as much a victim of circumstance.
He wears an iron helmet for protection	

#### Switch it up!

Use the template as a way for students to brainstorm a new character for a book or play.

## **Compare and Contrast**



#### **GroupMap benefits**

- Instantly see the combined class opinions.
- See individual student contribution.
- Acts like a Venn diagram
- Similar ideas can be grouped.

#### How to run your *Compare and Contrast* exercise

- 1. Introduce your 2 topics to the class and invite them to join your Compare and Contrast map.
- 2. Each student can then add what they believe are the similarities and differences between the two topics. You can choose whether or not they see suggestions from others which they can accept or reject on their own map.
- 3. In the group stage, you can review the responses and group similar ideas together.
- 4. View the results and facilitate further discussion. Add comments on ideas as you go.
- 5. Enable the like/dislike option to give peer feedback.



Some suggestions to compare You can compare and contrast people, places, countries, sports or objects.

## Exit Ticket



#### GroupMap benefits

- A great plenary, reflective and summative assessment in real time.
- Set up in less than a minute.
- Consolidates learning in a collaborative way.
- See individual student input.

#### How to run your Exit Ticket exercise

- 1. At the end of your class, invite your students to join the Exit Ticket map.
- 2. Ask them to reflect on the things you have taught them today, then individually add what they learned, how it can be applied and what question they still have.
- 3. You can debrief as a class by viewing and discussing the results. (Note, you can hide/unhide the results from students)
- 4. Want to see if students have participated? Click on the side menu and click on reports. Click on the participants tab to see what they have contributed.
- 5. Use the questions asked to kick off your next lesson or use it as the basis for the class research activity.



#### Want a little extra... Add voting and let students choose the top questions they want answered.

## For and Against



#### GroupMap benefits:

- Get individual ideas before group discussion.
- Students have their say by rating each argument.
- See the top rated arguments in real time.

#### How to run your For and Against exercise

- 1. Introduce your topic to the class and invite them to join the *For and Against* map.
- 2. Students brainstorm on their map. You can decide if you want them to do this individually or collaboratively.
- 3. Review the combined results and group common ideas.
- 4. Facilitate a discussion and ask students to rate each argument using the sliders.
- 5. View the final results. The highest rated arguments will be positioned at the top of the list.



#### Here are some debate topics to try.

Recycling should be compulsory; All educational institutions should be co-ed; The Internet is more harmful than useful.

## Six Thinking Hats



#### **GroupMap benefits**

- Captures individual perceptions and allows students to choose the issues that most interest them.
- Easily magnify individual panes to full screen.
- Scroll through ideas and capture comments quickly.

#### How to run your Six Thinking Hats

- 1. Introduce your and invite students into the Six Thinking Hats map.
- 2. Students can now work collaboratively to populate the different perspectives with their own view. Note that you can drag and drop ideas into the relevant areas as needed.
- 3. Review the responses and group similar ideas into one. Students can also propose groupings for you to accept or reject. *(Grouping stage setting)*
- 4. Invite discussions and then ask students to dot vote on the 3 things that they hadn't thought of before and is new to them.
- 5. View the results and facilitate further discussion and reflection. You can ask for further comments on each idea.



Get them up to speed quickly

Hover over each heading for a description of each hat. You can edit this too.

## **SWOT Analysis**



#### GroupMap benefits

- Rate each strength, weakness, opportunity and threat easily with a slider.
- Visualize results in real time.
- Manage workflow and choose your level of anonymity

#### How to run your SWOT Analysis

- 1. Introduce the case to the class then invite them to join the SWOT analyse map.
- 2. Students can work collaboratively to add ideas under each heading. (You can change this under the brainstorming option)
- 3. When ready, review and discuss the results. Students can rate each of the items based on the level of impact it has.
- 4. View the results which are sized and sorted according to the ratings provided by students.
- 5. Click on each idea to see how closely aligned ratings are and discuss any major differences.



Try something different - Round Robin brainstorming Spilt the class and have them work on each section for a time frame, then rotate them.



#### Price vs Quality

Position items based on your perception of its price and quality.

Created by Jeremy Lu an hour ago with 1 participants, ideas

#### Brainstorming

Let's create a collaborative mindmap around our key topic. Created by Jeremy Lu 2 hours ago with 1 participants, ideas

#### Problem Solving

3. How can we

Let's explore a problem by defining it, brainstorming alternative options

2. What are some solutions

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Created by Jeremy Lu an hour ago with 1 participants, ideas

#### Plus Minus Interesting

Let's consider the positives, negatives and interesting aspects of

Weaknesses.

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Interesting

Created by Jeremy Lu 2 hours ago with 1 participants, ideas

#### Rate a Response

Add your response to each of the questions and get feedback.

Answers to guestion 2

Answers to question 4

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Created by Jeremy Lu 2 hours ago with 1 participants, ideas

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#### Lean Model Canvas

Metrics

Let's develop our Lean business model and decide which

Created by Jeremy Lu 2 hours ago with 1 participants, ideas



Let's brainstorm our strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and

Created by Jeremy Lu 2 hours ago with 1 participants, ideas

#### Pros and Cons

Lets brainstorm and rate the pros and cons to help us decide which

Created by Jeremy Lu 2 hours ago with 1 participants, ideas

#### List of Ideas

#### Prioritize a List

Let's create a list of ideas which we can prioritize.

Created by Jeremy Lu 2 hours ago with 1 participants, ideas



#### Price vs Functionality

Position items based on your perception of its price and

Created by Jeremy Lu 2 hours ago with 1 participants, ideas

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#### Stakeholder Map

Let's create a communication plan by capturing and prioritising our key Created by Jeremy Lu 2 hours ago with 1 participants, ideas

Non-essential characteristic

#### Learn a New Term.

Let's learn a new term by thinking of what are some characteristics,

Created by Jeremy Lu 2 hours ago with 1 participants, ideas



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#### KWL Chart

STEP 1: What I

think I know

Let's share what we already know about a topic and plan our learning. Created by Jeremy Lu 2 hours ago with 1 participants, ideas

#### 5W1H Brainstorm

Let's use these open ended questions to plan and gather our Created by Jeremy Lu 2 hours ago with 1 participants, ideas =

What top 3 things	
did you learn	
today?	

Exit Ticket 3-2-1

Let's reflect on what we have

Created by Jeremy Lu 2 hours

ago with 1 participants, ideas

learned today and how me might

What top 1 question do

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#### Business Model Canvas

Let's create our business model and decide on the main areas we need Created by Jeremy Lu 2 hours ago with 1 participants, ideas

#### List of Questions

Let's capture a list of questions and answer the most common ones

Created by Jeremy Lu 2 hours ago with 1 participants, ideas

	What others think of the character?
How the character looks and feels	How do you feel about the character

#### Character Map

Let's explore and analyse a character.

Created by Jeremy Lu 2 hours ago with 1 participants, ideas

#### For and Against

List arguments for and against which we will then rate to help us Created by Jeremy Lu 2 hours ago with 1 participants, ideas

> Who What Where When

#### 5W1H Brainstorm

Let's use these open ended questions to plan and gather our Created by Jeremy Lu 2 hours ago with 1 participants, 6 ideas

Same	Topic 2 - Different	

#### Compare and Contrast

Let's see what you think are the same and whats difference between Created by Jeremy Lu 2 hours ago with 1 participants, ideas

# ellow Hat

#### Six Thinking Hats

White Hat - Facts

Let's fully explore the issue by considering it from 6 different Created by Jeremy Lu 21 hours ago with 1 participants, ideas

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Black Hat -

Cautions

# Looking for a **good idea**?

We know you are on the lookout for tools that will both enhance the student learning experience and make your life easier.

**GroupMap** gives you a simple and effective way to take your classroom to the next level with collaborative thinking and teamwork.

Gathering input from each student, GroupMap lets your class plan, brainstorm, discuss and decide in real-time, using rules you can set. Choose from over 24 education-themed templates, or create your own.

It takes 1 minute to learn and 5 minutes to master. You'll soon be boosting visual and critical thinking for students and providing much better feedback, whether or not your flip your classroom.

All your maps are safe. It's designed to meet several key components of the general capabilities framework (ACARA).

#### Want to learn more?

Drop us a line at **info@groupmap.com** and we'll send you a set of great lesson plans to help you get started.

66 Achieved a 'flipped classroom' situation. Thank you for providing an enlightening experience of the paradigm shifting potential that ICT has for teaching and learning. ?? Dr John Rice, ACDS

66 This is going to be an important tool for all educators. 99 Dr Mark Pegrum, University of Western Australia





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