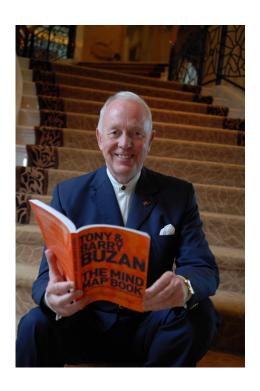


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# **Uses of Mind Maps**

by Paul Foreman



Mind Maps ® were invented by Tony Buzan

Mindmapping helps us progress from "linear" (one-dimensional) through "lateral" (two-dimensional) to "radiant" (multi-dimensional) thinking.

Mind Maps help us to use both sides of our brain and encourage us to develop our creativity – they are also a fabulous learning tool and ideal for exam revision.

Learn, plan, create, develop, enhance, expand, memorise, - noticed something?

Lists are boring.

Using a Mind Map you can add images to make it more interesting and that helps your brain learn because it loves images!

You can use a Mind Map for ANYTHING!

It is the ultimate organizational thinking tool....

Back to boring list mode in a moment - what can you do with a Mind Map; well, the list is endless. Below are a few suggestions:

Boring list of exciting things coming up....

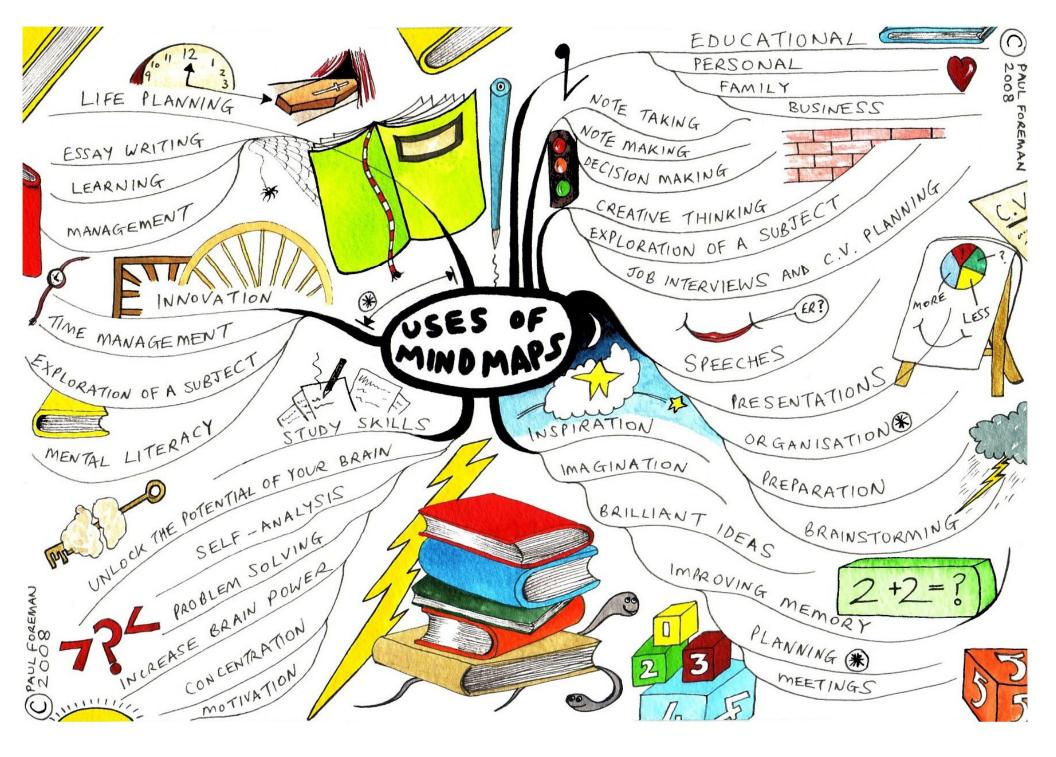
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Now let's take a quick look at a Mind Map along similar lines, information wise, to the above list:

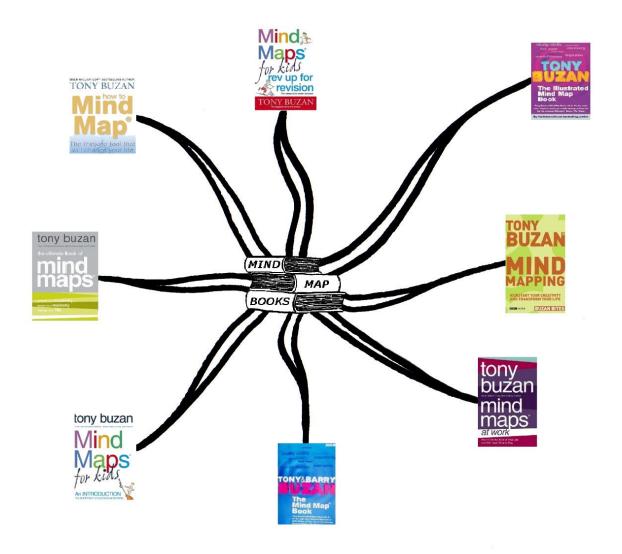


It is worth pointing out that the above Mind Map actually goes outside Mind Map rules:

Ideally, there should be one word per line, and the lines should be the length of each word. A central image should be used to convey the subject of the Mind Map and branches can stretch either side of the main branches, rather than simply floating underneath each line.

Check out the Motivation Mind Map below which is closer to Mind Map rules and you will see how much easier it is to view each branch

For more information here are some recommended Tony Buzan Books:



As you can see from the above ideas, you can use Mind Maps for anything you wish.

Unlock the potential of your brain - try a Mind Map today - in fact, why not try this:

At the end of your day try a mind map of "your day" and review what happened as an experiment. Mind Maps could be your new diary format.

This exercise will enhance your senses (as recommended by Leonardo da Vinci – read more in the book "How to think like Leonardo da Vinci")

Instead of thinking, well – nothing much happened at all really – you can review all that you saw, the noises you heard and what you experienced through all the other senses and you'll be amazed how much actually did occur.

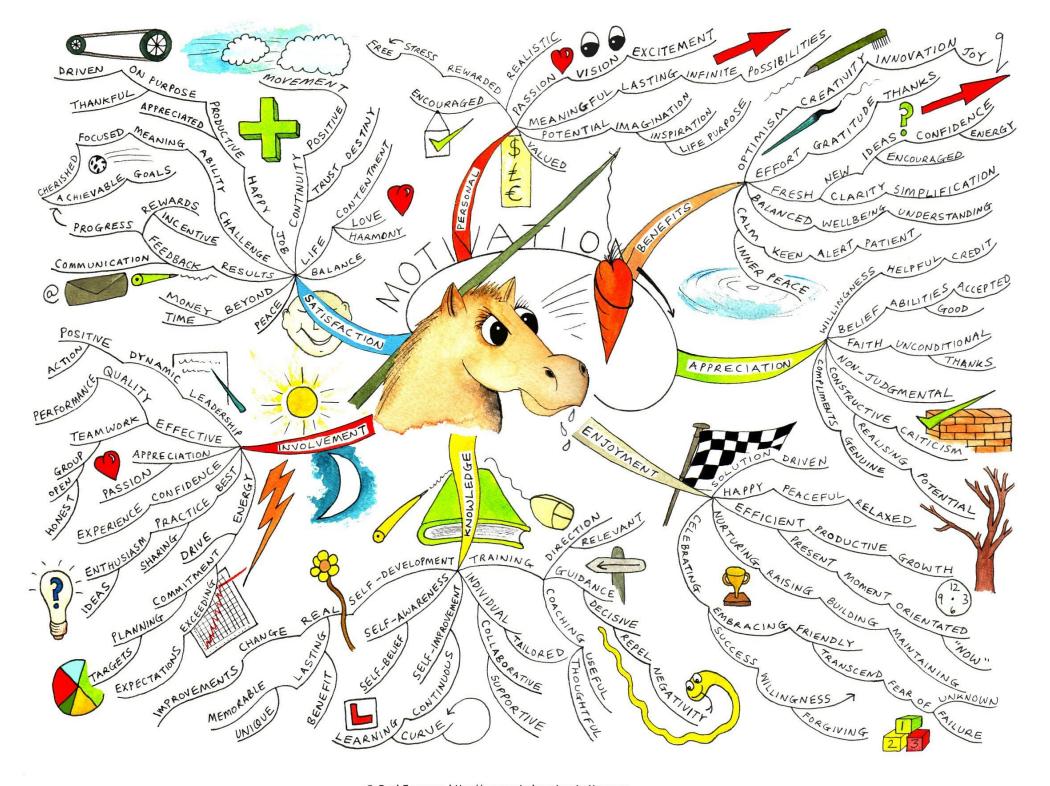
Alternatively, you could sketch out a plan of what you intend to do today, tomorrow or next week or the rest of your life. For more inspiration on how and what to use Mind Maps for

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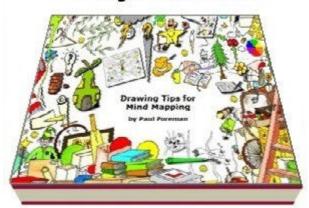
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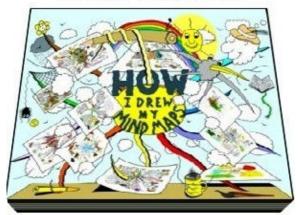
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