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Reading skills practice: Mind maps - text



Mind maps are a great way of showing a picture of information that you need to learn. You can use mind maps for all kinds of learning. They work very well for vocabulary when you are learning a new language.

Draw a circle in the middle of the page and write the vocabulary subject in the middle. For example:



Brainstorm some word groups for 'transport' and think of headings for each one. For example:

sea transport

land transport

air transport

For each one, draw a short line from the centre circle outwards. Add another circle and write the new group word. in the middle.

Look at each group and try to add more groups. For example, in 'land transport' there are two sub-groups:

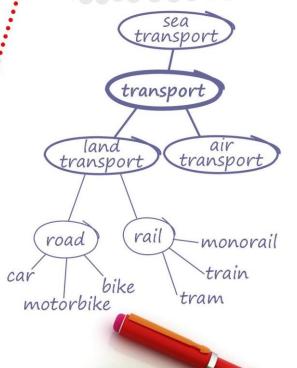
- · road
 - · rail

Draw two more lines, add two more circles and write the two new headings inside them.

When you can't make any new groups, add a line for each word you know. Write the words along the lines or, if you have space, write them inside more circles.

> As you learn new vocabulary, add it to the mind map.

To make the mind maps even better, use colour to show



important ideas or parts of the map.

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