

Graphic Organisers

Graphic organisers, whether they are created using a computer, in the cloud or manually on paper can assist in presenting information in an organised visual manner. They can assist with organising and summarising of information that directly benefit:

- Reading comprehension
- Listening and speaking
- Writing and spelling
- Organisation and study skills

Notetaking & Study Skills

Computer/ apps/ cloud

Free-

- [WiseMapping](#) - A **free** collaborative, web based open-source tool, great for creating visual mind maps and brainstorms.
- [Mind42](#) - Mind42 offers simple, **free** collaborative mind-mapping software that runs in your browser. Can search publicly shared templates by tag or popularity.
- [iBrainstorm](#) - A **free iOS app** for iPad and iPhone that lets users organize ideas with digital sticky notes and offers quick and easy multi device sharing.

Cost- Annual (usually with limited free version)

- [Popplet](#) - Suitable for **web and iPad**, Popplet helps students to think and learn visually by brainstorming and mind mapping. (AUD\$40 per year)
- [Bubbl.us](#) - Quick and simple mind mapping **online**. (\$120 per year, has a 50% discount for students)
- [Storyboard That](#) - An excellent site with an education portal that teachers can use to create timelines, storyboards, graphic organizers (t-charts, grids, etc.), and more. Lesson plans are included. (AUD\$200 per year)

Cost- One-off Single User Licence Cost

- [Inspiration](#)- A simple visual tool for creating mind maps, concept maps, graphic organisers, outlines and presentations with ease. The Diagram and Map view captures thoughts in visual form while the Outline View organises the information into a written form. The diagrams and written outlines can then be transferred into Word, Powerpoint, PDF or as a graphic file. Is available for Windows, Mac, Chromebooks and iOS. (AUD \$146)
- [Inspiration Maps](#)- A visual thinking and learning app on your **iPad and iPhone. (AUD \$14)**

(Prices are current as at March 2022)

Paper templates

Free-

- [Educational Oasis](#) has over sixty downloadable PDF graphic organisers.
- Click [here](#) for a link to text type writing scaffolds that may help with writing from Lithgow High School.