Transforming brainstorming ideas into a writing web

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Starting out with a T-chart

* T**he purple text** in the T-chartbecomes your **topic,** once you decide what you think. This goes in the center circle of the web.
* **The green text** gives **reasons** that support the topic. These go in the green circles.
* Your web is not complete—it needs details to support each reason.

**Any number of players**

**Minimum equipment**

**Play anywhere**



**Comparing American football to Soccer**

Soccer is easier to play than American football

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| American Football | Soccer |
| Requires protective gear such as helmets and pads | Minimum equipment is required |
| Teams must have at least eleven players | Teams may consist of any number |
| Cannot be played on a hard surface | Can be played anywhere |
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Building a web from freewriting

* **The purple text** in the freewriting sample is the **topic.**  This goes in the center circle of the web.
* **The blue text** is **background information**. This does not go in the web.
* **The green text** gives **reasons** that support the topic. These go in the green circles.
* **The gray text** gives **details** that support the reasons. These go in the gray circles. This web needs a few more details!

Same   
number

on each   
 team

Only a ball   
or even just round object



wear cleats, sneakers, sandals-even bare People ball! most

places. Requires little equipment - only a ball! most

One of the earliest organized sports?

football

Soccer -- easier to play than American

as a kid - field in high school —now in a public

- sides just need to be even. World cup! I

**Minimum equipment**

**Any number of players**

(Check this) Actually called “football” in most

Soccer is easier to play than American football

Any type   
of shoe or none

Or sometimes not a ball (coconuts) People ball! most

feet.Teams can have any number of people

**Can play anywhere**

played soccer everywhere--street soccer

Public places with permission

Hard surfaces

are OK

park (permit)

Using a conversation to build a web

* If you agree with Carlos**, the purple text** becomes the **topic.**  This goes in the center circle of the web.
* **The green text** gives **reasons** that support the topic. These go in the green circles.
* **The gray text** gives **details** that support the reasons. These go in the gray circles. This web still needs a few more details!



Exactly! Another reason **is that it’s inexpensive to play.** I was able to play soccer with just a pair of inexpensive cleats, and really, some people just wore their sneakers!

So, Carlos, do you prefer   
American football or soccer?



**You**

**There is no question in my mind.   
I prefer soccer, hands down.**

**Carlos**

Why is that?

When I was a kid, I was able to play soccer with my friends and neighbors. **We played outside in the street**, so we could play every day right after school.

This means

any time!

Soccer is better than American football

**Inexpensive to play**

**Can play anywhere**

And with anyone!

Can wear any type of shoe

Extra players can sub in

**Any   
number on   
 a team**

I guess that is an advantage. You can play any time and with anyone.

Sounds perfect!

And another thing… Everyone has such a busy schedule that not everyone can play every day. With soccer, there can be **any number of players** **on each team, as long as the teams are even**.

If the teams are uneven, people can  
 sub in!