

# Idea collector

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## Abstract

A scripted series of questions that can help someone hooked up on “brain crack”[ze] clarify his thoughts. The script collects general info like title, authors and tags and then asks a number of questions depending on the “type” of idea. Can be distributed as a standalone python script or some web interface.

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## 1 Previous technology

There are many sites for project management I am sure.

## 2 New technology

Script that forces you to think about all the different aspects of your idea, not just the ones you tend to think about.

There is a possibility you can make the script very intelligent connecting many sources of information so that you can manage your ideas more easily.

- Create a “folder” for your idea (version control?)
- Create beautiful latex doc from your proj
- Create a simple dokuwiki for your project
- If you allow it to touch your bookmarks folder, the script can automatically “guess” which of the links you saved are relevant and include them in the references section.
- When it asks you for **what is next?** it can set reminders for you and bug you if you aren’t working on your idea.

Ideally there will be pluggable modules of **questions**, **actions** and **workflows** that can be user contributed and shared.

### 3 Why is it better?

The main advantage is that the series of questions act as a template for your thinking. I *really* need this kind of template right now to organize my projects so I assume that other people will be interested in such a product.

### 4 Next steps

### References

- [ze]      ze frank show *Where do ideas come from?*  
          <http://www.zefrank.com/theshow/archives/2006/07/071106.html>