# Before you collaborate

A little bit of preparation goes a long way with this session. Here's what you need to do to get going.

# Brainstorm & idea prioritization

Use this template in your own brainstorming sessions so your team can unleash their imagination and start shaping concepts even if you're not sitting in the same room.

10 minutes to prepare 1 hour to collaborate

2-8 people recommended

What problem are you trying to solve? Frame your focus of your brainstorm.

PROBLEM

Key rules of brainstorming

To run an smooth and productive session

Defer judgment.

Go for volume.

Encourage wild ideas.

If possible, be visual.

5 minutes

#### Team gathering Define who should participate in the session and send an invite. Share relevant information or pre-work ahead.

- Set the goal Think about the problem you'll be focusing on solving in the brainstorming session.
- Learn how to use the facilitation tools Use the Facilitation Superpowers to run a happy and productive session.

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# Define your problem statement

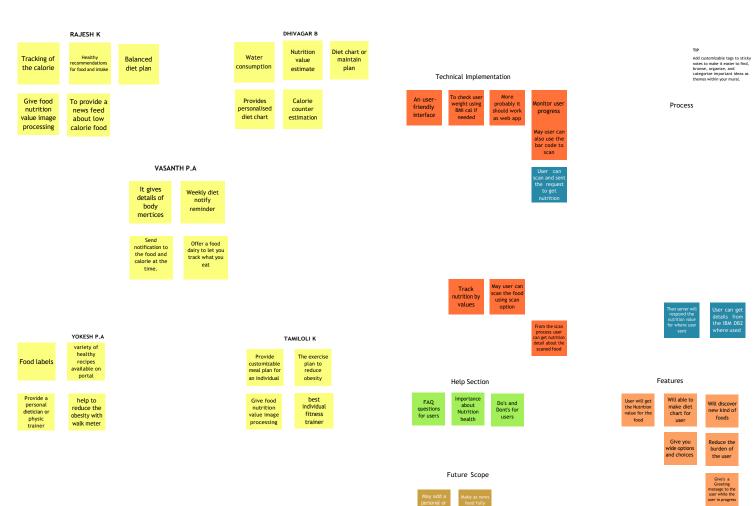
Write down any ideas that come to mind that address your problem statement. problem as a How Might We statement. This will be the

Brainstorm 10 minutes

You can select a sticky note and hit the pencil [switch to sketch] icon to start drawing!

# Group ideas

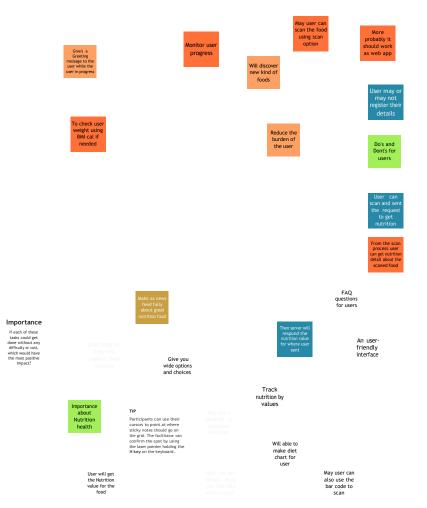
Take turns sharing your ideas while clustering similar or related notes as you go. In the last 10 minutes, give each cluster a sentence-like label. If a cluster is bigger than six sticky notes, try and see if you and break it up into smaller sub-groups.



### Prioritize

Your team should all be on the same page about what's important moving forward. Place your ideas on this grid to determine which ideas are important and which are feasible.

20 minutes



#### After you collaborate

You can export the mural as an image or pdf to share with members of your company who might find it helpful.

#### Quick add-ons

- A Share the mural Share a view link to the mural with stakeholders to keep them in the loop about the outcomes of the session.
- R Export the mural Export a copy of the mural as a PNG or PDF to attach to emails, include in slides, or save in your drive.

#### Keep moving forward

Strategy blueprint Define the components of a new idea or strategy.

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Customer experience journey map Understand customer needs, motivations, and

obstacles for an experience.

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Strengths, weaknesses, opportunities & threats Identify strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats (SWOT) to develop a plan.

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