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

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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.

10 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.

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Define your problem statement

What problem are you trying to solve? Frame your problem as a How Might We statement. This will be the focus of your brainstorm.

5 minutes

> **PROBLEM**
> Farmers need to deal with manure/pesticides cope with climate change, soil erosion and Biodiversity loss

Key rules of brainstorming
To run an smooth and productive session

- Stay in topic.
- Encourage wild ideas.
- Defer judgment.
- Listen to others.
- Go for volume.
- If possible, be visual.

Brainstorm

Write down any ideas that come to mind that address your problem statement.

10 minutes

Geetha Mai A G

- Frequent Climate monitoring
- Conserve water in wetlands
- Avoid using new pesticides
- Use natural manure

Jayasree M

- Improve soil quality by using natural manure
- Avoid walking in muddy
- Cover the crops
- Eradicate introduce weeds on your property

Hemadharshini S

- Relationship between erosion and biodiversity are important
- Soil erosion has destroyed entire civilizations
- Loss of newly planted crops
- Deposits of silt in low lying areas

Mani Bharathi M

- Turn off irrigation system when rain is in the forecast
- Smart greenhouse
- Do farming in seasonal manner
- Smart pest management

Group ideas

Take turns sharing your ideas while clustering similar or related notes as you go. Once all sticky notes have been grouped, 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.

20 minutes

Soil erosion

- Make shelter beds to save plants from harming
- Soil erosion has destroyed entire civilizations

Manure/Pesticides

- Improve soil quality by using natural manure
- Smart pest management
- Avoid using new pesticides
- Eradicate introduced weeds on your property

Climate

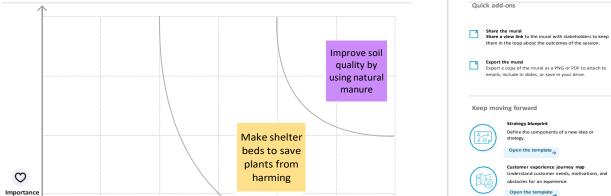- Frequent Climate monitoring
- Do farming in seasonal manner

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

Importance
If each of these tasks could get done without any difficulty or cost, which would have the most positive impact?

- Improve soil quality by using natural manure
- Make shelter beds to save plants from harming
- Checking the humidity of plants often

TIP
Participants can use their cursors to point at where sticky notes should go on the grid. The facilitator can confirm the spot by using the laser pointer holding the H key on the keyboard.

Feasibility
Regardless of their importance, which tasks are more feasible than others? (Cost, time, effort, complexity, etc.)

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

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