



## 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.
  - Learn how to use the facilitation tools**  
Use the Facilitation Superpowers to run a happy and productive session.
- Open article

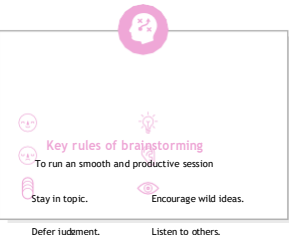


### Define your problem statement

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**  
How might we bridge the communication gap between differently abled people and the normal people.



- Problems are faced by dumb people in their daily lives:
1. They don't think before asking stupid questions.
  2. They don't look before crossing a busy street.
  3. They're too dumb to know they're dumb.
  4. They're too dumb to learn that the phrase is "Deaf and dumb".
  5. They're too dumb to realize that the phrase "Deaf and dumb" has been outmoded since 1830 or so.
  6. They're too dumb to learn that Deaf people may not necessarily speak vocally, but they are still smarter than the smartest dumb person of the type that asks dumb questions like this.



### Brainstorm

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

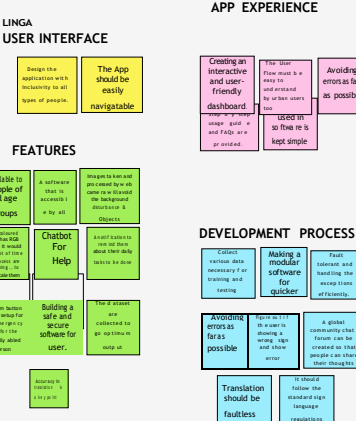
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**TIP**  
You can select a sticky note and hit the pencil icon to start drawing!



### 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 can break it up into smaller sub-groups.



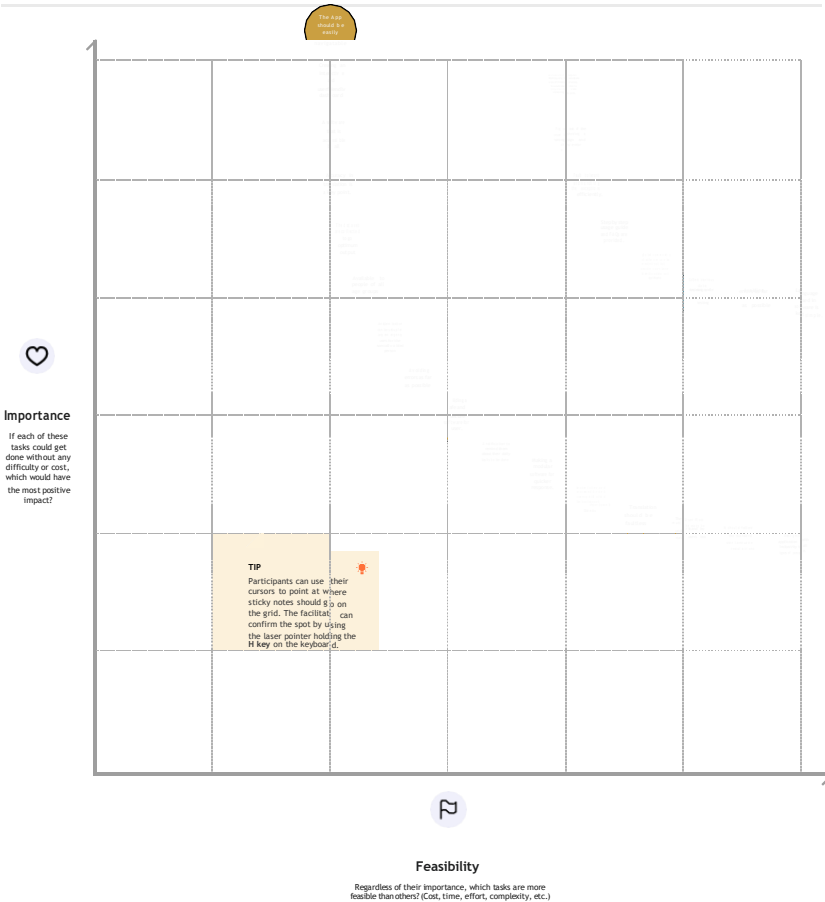
**TIP**  
Add customizable tags to sticky notes to make it easier to find, browse, organize, and categorize important ideas as themes within your mural.



### 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

- Share the mural**  
Share a view link to the mural with stakeholders to keep them in the loop about the outcomes of the session.
- 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.
- Customer experience journey map**  
Understand customer needs, motivations, and obstacles for an experience.
- Strengths, weaknesses, opportunities & threats**  
Identify strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats (SWOT) to develop a plan.

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