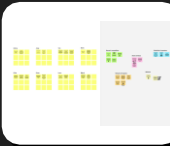# Brainstorm & idea prioritization

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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1 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

A farmer should predict climatic conditions, decide what to grow & when to grow, should know the overall crop yield turnover

Key rules of brainstorming
To run a smooth and productive session

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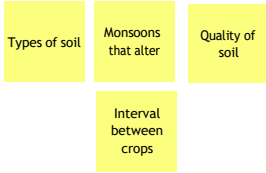- Go for volume.
- If possible, be visual.

2 Brainstorm

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

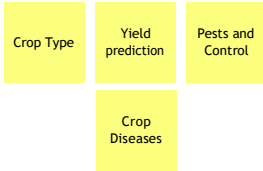⏱ 10 minutes

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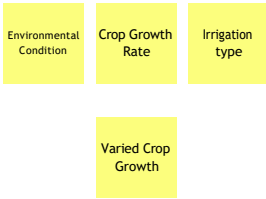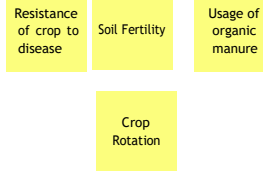
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- Types of soil
- Monsoons that alter
- Quality of soil
- Interval between crops

PRIYADHARSAN SPK
- Crop Type
- Yield prediction
- Pests and Control
- Crop Diseases

PRABHU S
- Environmental Condition
- Crop Growth Rate
- Irrigation type
- Varied Crop Growth

NAVEEN KUMAR R
- Resistance of crop to disease
- Soil Fertility
- Usage of organic manure
- Crop Rotation

3 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 can break it up into smaller sub-groups.
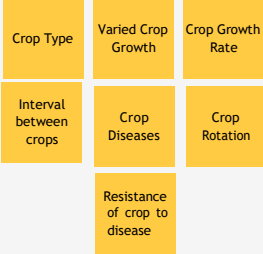
⏱ 20 minutes

TIP
Add customizable tags to sticky notes to make it easier to find, browse, organize, and categorize important ideas as themes within your mural.
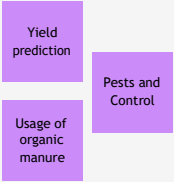
SOIL PARAMETERS
- Types of soil
- Soil Fertility
- Quality of soil

CROP PARAMETERS
- Crop Type
- Varied Crop Growth
- Crop Growth Rate
- Interval between crops
- Crop Diseases
- Crop Rotation
- Resistance of crop to disease

ENVIRONMENTAL SETUP
- Environmental Condition
- Monsoons that alter
- Irrigation type

OTHERS
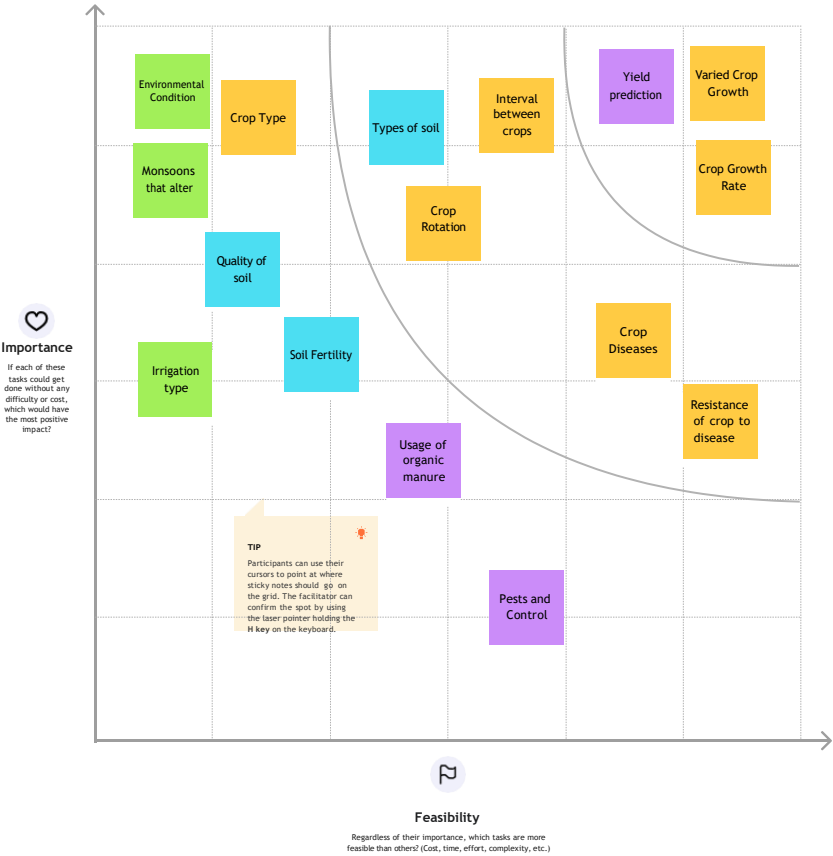- Yield prediction
- Pests and Control
- Usage of organic manure

4 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?

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

(grid contents:)
- Environmental Condition
- Crop Type
- Types of soil
- Interval between crops
- Yield prediction
- Varied Crop Growth
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- Quality of soil
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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.

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
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