

Ideation Phase




















Brainstorm & Idea Prioritization Template

Project Name	AI-Enhanced Intrusion Detection System
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Reference:

<https://app.mural.co/t/apurvalohar3763/m/apurvalohar3763/1744804799027/35201c0d64e18a558d0cb060c49276a9921b295e?sender=u5299e2e41e2aebb068029394>

Step-1: Team Gathering, Collaboration and Select the Problem Statement

<div>Template</div> <div></div> <div><h3>Brainstorm & idea prioritization</h3></div> <div><p>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.</p></div> <div><div> 10 minutes to prepare</div><div> 1 hour to collaborate</div><div> 2-8 people recommended</div></div>	<div> Before you collaborate</div> <div><p>A little bit of preparation goes a long way with this session. Here's what you need to do to get going.</p></div> <div><div> 10 minutes</div></div> <div><div><div> Team gathering</div><div>Define who should participate in the session and send an invite. Share relevant information or pre-work ahead.</div></div><div><div> Set the goal</div><div>Think about the problem you'll be focusing on solving in the brainstorming session.</div></div><div><div> Learn how to use the facilitation tools</div><div>Use the Facilitation Superpowers to run a happy and productive session.</div></div></div> <div><div>Open article</div></div>	<div> Define your problem statement</div> <div><p>What problem are you trying to solve? Frame your problem as a How Might We statement. This will be the focus of your brainstorm.</p></div> <div><div> 5 minutes</div></div> <div><div>Type your paragraph...</div><div>How might I generate and prioritize ideas for my career development or side project?</div></div> <div><div><h4>Key rules of brainstorming</h4><p>To run a smooth and productive session</p><div><div> Stay in topic.</div><div> Encourage wild ideas.</div><div> Defer judgment.</div><div> Listen to others.</div><div> Go for volume.</div><div> If possible, be visual.</div></div></div></div>
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Step-2: Brainstorm, Idea Listing and Grouping

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Brainstorm

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

⌚ 10 minutes

TIP You can select a sticky note and hit the pencil (switch to sketch) icon to start drawing!

Person 1

Skill Gap Analysis: Evaluate which skills are in demand for your dream roles or side projects, and identify the ones you need to build or strengthen.

Passion-Potential Mapping: Make a matrix that compares what excites you vs. what has career potential. Use this to spot ideas that fuel both passion and progress.

Micro-Project Prototyping- Launch
tiny, 1-week versions
of your side project
ideas to test feasibility
and interest without
heavy investment.

Learning Playlist. Build a personalized roadmap of YouTube channels, online courses, books, and podcasts to level up in your chosen direction.

Mentor Reach-Out - Create a list of people you admire or who work in the area you're interested in. Reach out to 3 for coffee chats or advice sessions.

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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.

1: Self-Discovery & Strategy Skill Gap Analysis: Know what to build. Passion-Potential Mapping: Find sweet spots.

2: Rapid Testing & Execution
Micro-Project
Prototyping: Fast-track proof of concept.

3: Mentorship & Networking- Mentor Reach-Out: Learn from those ahead of you.

4: Structured Learning-
Learning Playlist:
Build habits of
growth.

Step-3: Idea Prioritization

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

TIP Participants can use their names to assist in others' entry when it's their go. The facilitator can confirm the spot by using the show person holding the W key in the segment.

