How to Tag Notes in Zettelkasten

to filter notes with GraphView

to support a clickable search for a term

with nested tags

to filter notes with Dataview

v0.17, 21.08.2024, Edmund Gröpl, https://github.com/groepl/Obsidian-Templates#how-to-use-tags

Tags for Subjects

defined in front matter section of note

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- #theme/
  - to build cluster of notes
- #index/
  - to define entry points in Zettelkasten to start searching.
  - used for MOCs (Maps of Content).

Tags for Types

to search for notes with common characteristics

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- #type/
  - **book**
  - chart
  - concept
  - diagram
  - example
  - exercise
  - **insight**
  - meeting
  - method
  - **note**
  - okr
  - person
  - post
  - **prompt**
  - quote
  - recipe
  - **sketchnote**
  - **structure**
  - **term**
  - tool
  - video
  - visual
  - ...

Tags for Types with Attributes

to search for notes with same type and different attributes

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- #chart/ (to search for data visuals)
  - bar-chart
  - bubble-chart
  - cord-chart
  - ...
- diagram (to search for thinking maps)
  - bubblemap
  - concept-map
  - literature-map
  - mindmap
  - wardley-map
  - workflow
  - ...
- #okr/ (to search for objectives & key results)
  - annual
  - idea
  - keyaction
  - keyresult
  - objective
  - wish
- #role/ (to search in folder 2_Bibliographical Notes)
  - author
  - expert
  - friend
  - illustrator
  - sketchnoter
  - ...
- #structure/ (to search in folder 5_Structure Notes)
  - bujo
  - cluster
  - framework
  - index
  - list
  - moc
  - toc
  - versus
  - workflow
  - ...
- #visual/ (to search for visual notes)
  - black
  - handlettering
  - yellow
  - ...

Tags for Flow

to show workflow outside Zettelkasten

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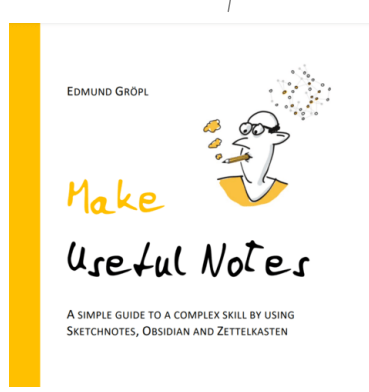
- #source/ (where note comes from)
  - article
  - book
  - internet
  - onenote
  - podcast
  - post
  - self
  - video
  - ...
- **#target/** (where note is needed for)
  - ebook
  - newsletter
  - discussion
  - post
  - presentation
  - ...

Legend

- notes created with templates
- **notes with preferred templates**
- mandatory tags
- **used to measure productivity**

learn more about Zettelkasten



Gröpl, Edmund. Make Useful Notes, 2023. https://github.com/groepl/Take-Useful-Notes.