Template

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

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.

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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
How might we(your problem statement)?

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

TIP
You can switch to dotting mode and let the pencil (switch to marker) lose to mark ideaing!

Person 1 | Person 2 | Person 3 | Person 4 | Person 5 | Person 6 | Person 7 | Person 8

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

TIP
Add a colorevaible tag to sticky notes to indicate who has ideated, especially if you want to discuss ideas within your team.

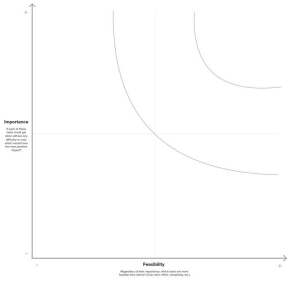
Prioritize

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 pick their ideas they think are important, drag it to the Prioritize zone, and rate it using the emoji reactions on the sticky note.

Drag or 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**
  Export a copy of this 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.
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- **Customer experience journey map**
  Understand customer needs, motivations, and obstacles for an experience.
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- **Strengths, weaknesses, opportunities & threats**
  Identify strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats (SWOT) to develop a plan.
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