MindBoard 2 User Guide

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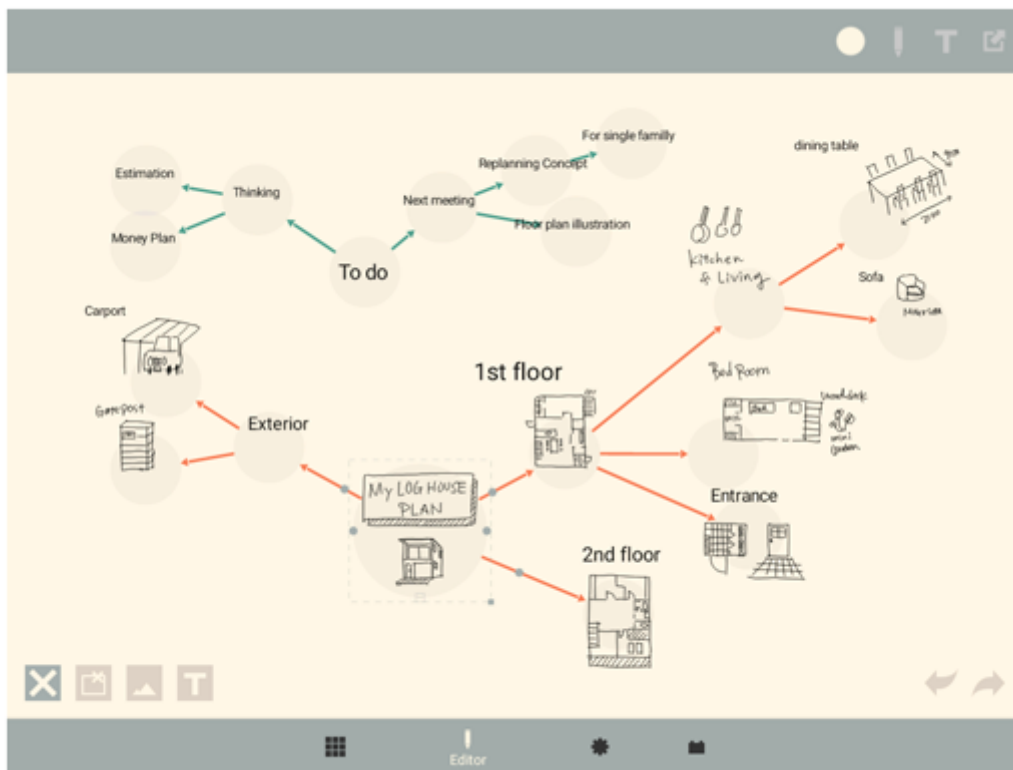
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This document explains MindBoard 2 Version 0.7.1.

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Chapter 1. Introduction

1.1. Overview

MindBoard 2 is a simple mind mapping application with handwriting for Android tablets.

It supports Finger or Stylus input.
You can choose which mode to use by using the **Use Native Stylus** option in Settings.

1.2. Concept

Simple and Standard
This app aims to be the best and standard mind mapping with handwriting application for Android tablets.

1.3. Key Features

- Directly channel your thoughts using Finger or Stylus

- Multiple mindmaps (central nodes) in one document

- PDF Export (Plugin)

- Input: Stylus, Image and Text

- Open, Save and Sync documents with Google Drive

1.4. Requirement

- Android 4.4 Kitkat or newer.

This app is designed for Android Tables.

> For the best mindmapping experience, it's recommended to use Native Stylus (S-Pen or Z-Stylus) Android tablets.

1.5. Installation

Get the MindBoard 2 app on Google Play.

1.6. Getting help

If you have any questions, please make contact. And also your feedback will be much appreciated.

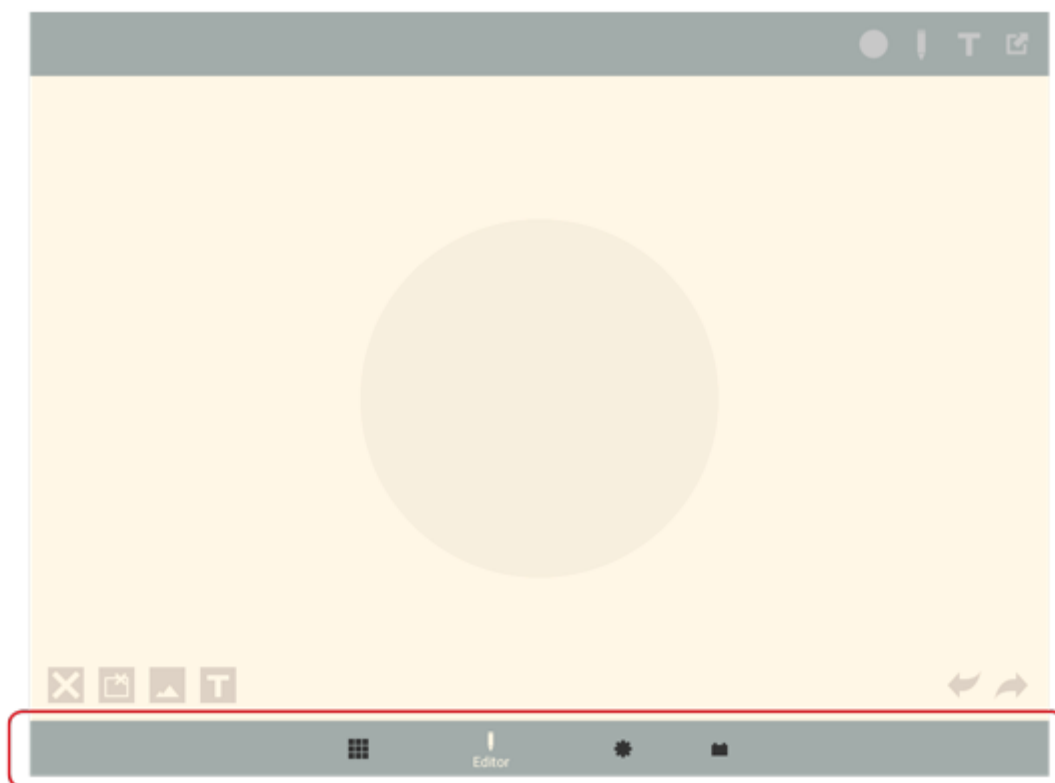To get update information, see Facebook / Twitter.

Chapter 2. Using MindBoard 2
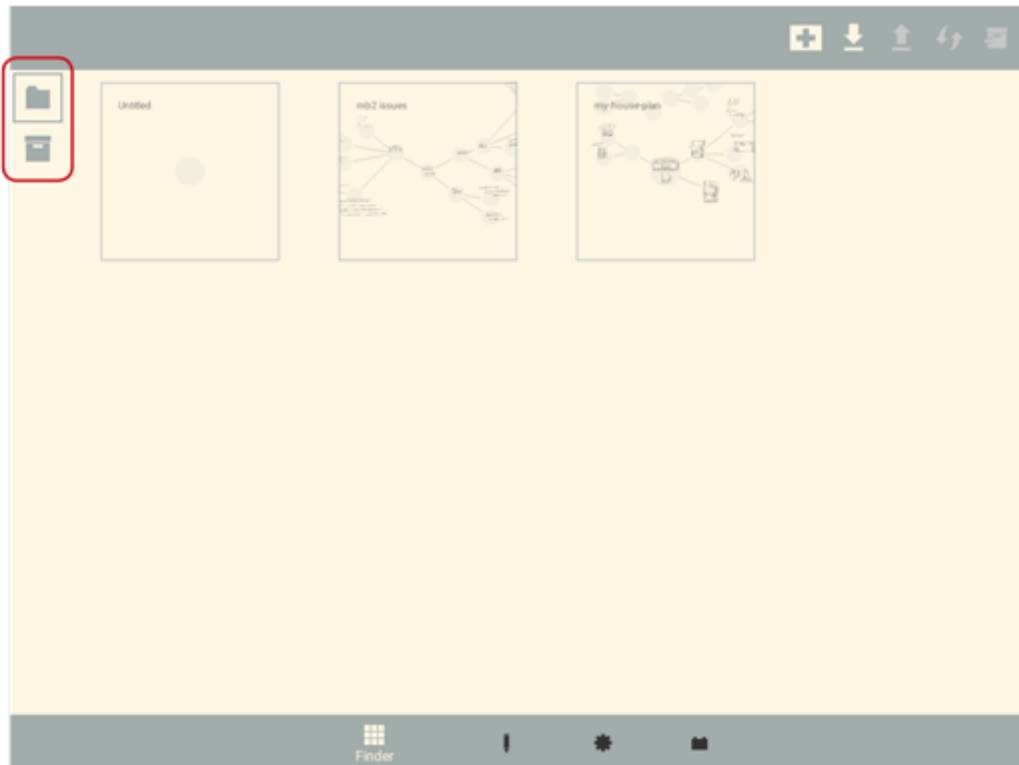
2.1. Overview

There are four screens.

- (1)File Manager
- (2)Editor
- (3)Settings
- (4)Plugins

Use the bottom navigation to switch between screens.
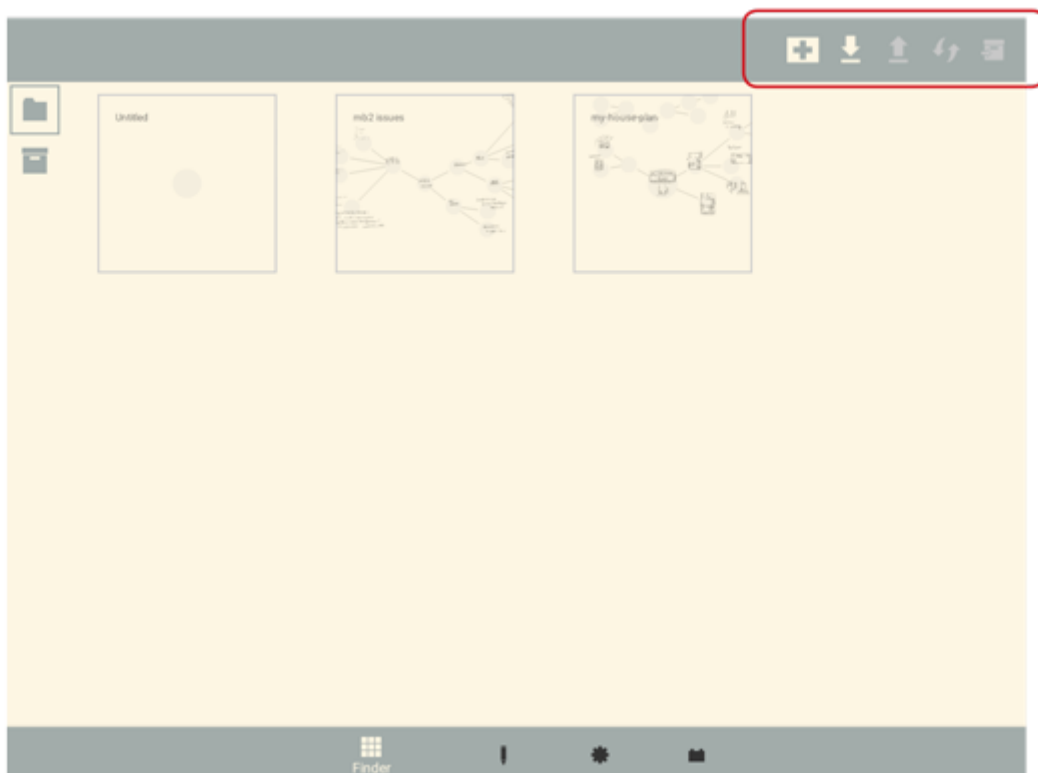

2.2. (1)File Manager

This is for document management. There are **Primary** and **Archive** Folders.

- Tap the icon to switch between **Primary** and **Archive**

2.2.1. Primary Folder

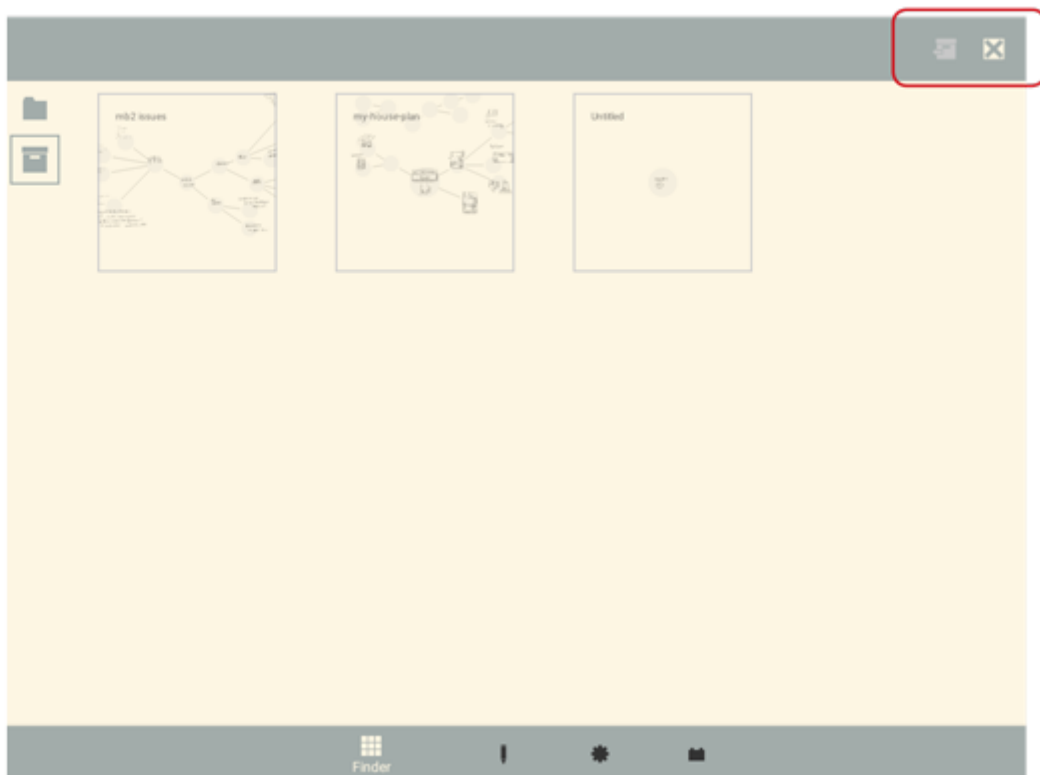This folder manages primary documents.

- Add new document

- Open document from Google Drive

- Save As selected document into Google Drive

- Sync selected document with Google Drive

- Move selected document into Archive Folder
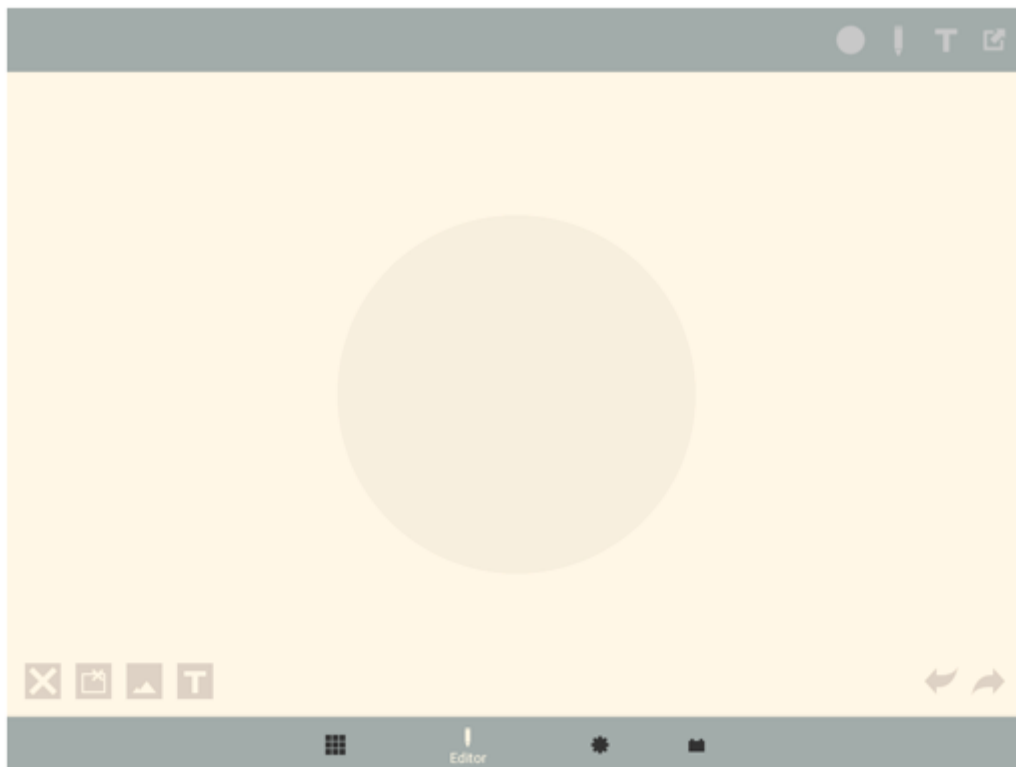
2.2.2. Archive Folder

This folder manage archive documents.

- Revert selected document to Primary Folder.

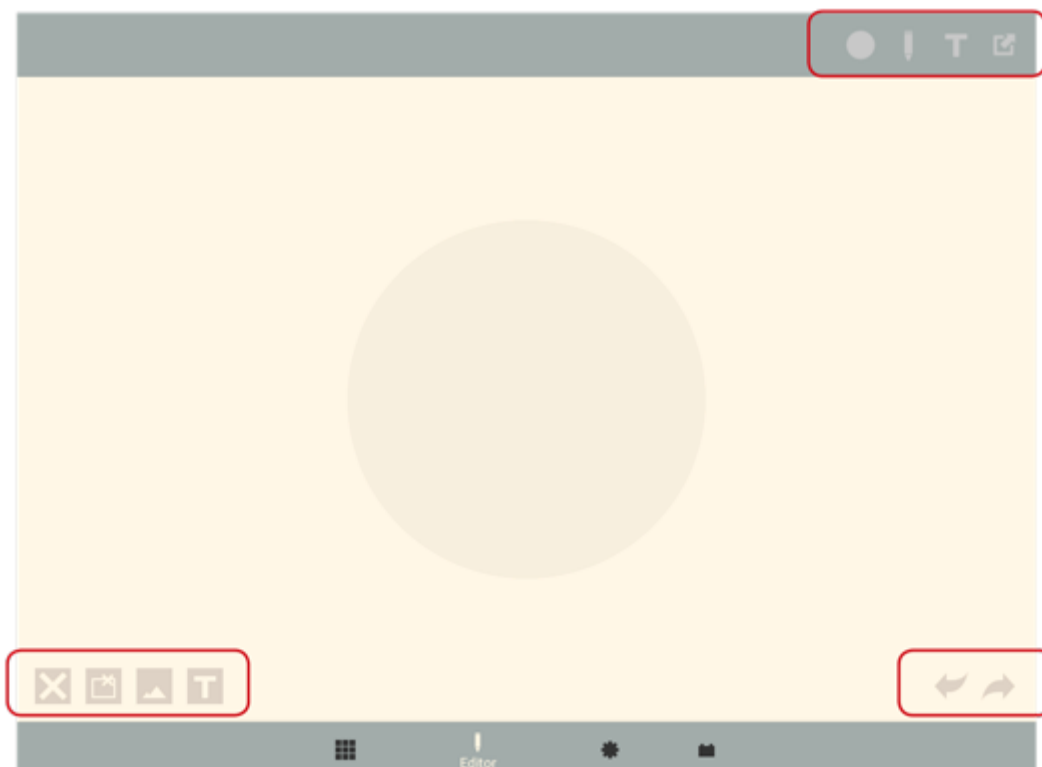- Delete all documents in this folder.

2.3. (2)Editor

This is for mind mapping.

There are two modes, **Map Edit Mode** and **Node Edit Mode**.

2.3.1. Map Edit Mode

This mode is for freely creating and organizing nodes in order to do mind mapping.

Toolbar (Right-Top)

- Change selected node branch color
- Export current document as PDF into Google Drive (PDF Export Plugin is needed.)

Toolbar (Left-Bottom)

- Delete selected node

Toolbar (Right-Bottom)

- Undo
- Redo

Entering Node Edit Mode

1. Double tap a node.

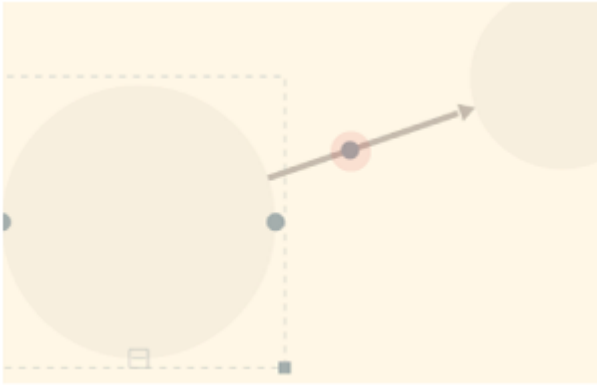**Creating Child Node**

Use the **child node create handle** on the node.
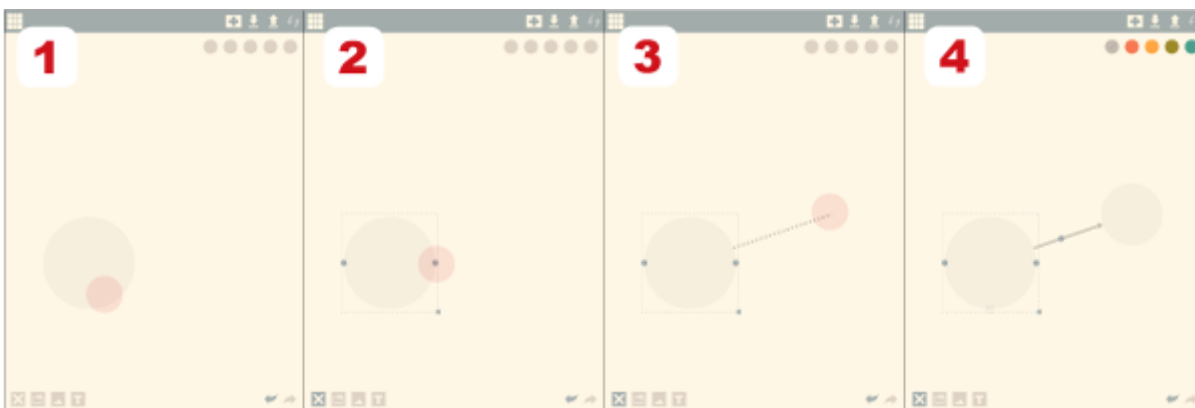
1. Tap the node to change the node status to selected → The **child node create handle** appears on the left or right side of the node.
2. Drag the **child node create handle**.
3. Stop dragging in the desired location for the new node.
4. The new child node is created.

Cutting the branch between Parent and Child Node

1. Select the parent node → the **cut branch handle** appears in the middle of the branch.

2. Drag the **cut branch handle** to cut the branch → the orphaned *child-type* node changes into a *central-type* node.

> It's possible to re-parent the orphaned node to make it a child-type node again. To do this, drag a **child node create handle** from the desired parend onto the node.

Moving Node

1. Drag a node.

Resizing Node

1. Select a node.

2. Drag a **right-bottom resize handle** of the node selection border.

Collapsing or Expanding Node

1. Select a node.

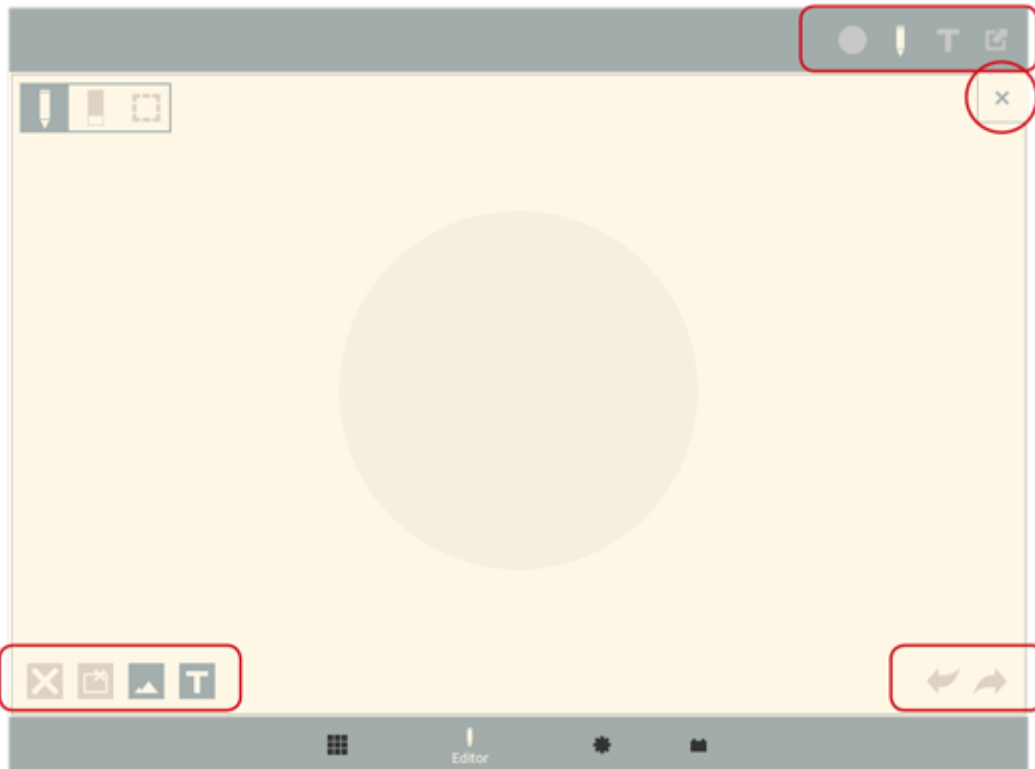2. Tap a **Collapse [-]** / **Expand [+]** button in the bottom of the node.

Delete Node

1. Select a node

2. Tap the **Delete Button** on the toolbar (Left-Bottom).

2.3.2. Node Edit Mode

This mode is for drawing your thoughts on a node.

Toolbar (Right-Top)

- Set stroke color / Changes the stroke color of the selected group.
- Change the selected text color.

Toolbar (Left-Bottom)

- Ungroup the selected group.
- Insert an image from Google Drive.
- Input a text.

Toolbar (Right-Bottom)

- Undo
- Redo

Right-Top corner

- Back to the **Map Edit Mode**

> **ℹ** If you have checked **Use Native Style** in the Settings, it's also possible to return to the **Map Edit Mode** by double-tapping with a finger.

Tool Switcher

There are four tools, Pen / Eraser / Selection / Zoom.
In order to switch to a tool, tap it.

> **ℹ** Changing Pen Thickness is not currently supported. A Multiple Pen Thickness feature is planned as plugin.

Tool Switcher (if you have checked the Use Native Stylus option)

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Making Strokes Group

It's possible to group multiple strokes.

1. Pick the the Selection Tool on the toolswitcher.
2. Lasso the desired set of strokes by circling them using finger or stylus.

Now it's possible to manipulate the group as follows:

- Change the color of strokes
- Resize the group
- Ungroup
- Delete the group

2.4. (3)Settings

This is for Settings.

- **Use Native Stylus** : Use native stylus or not
  Please check this option if your Android tablet has support for a Native Stylus such as the S-Pen or Z-Stylus.
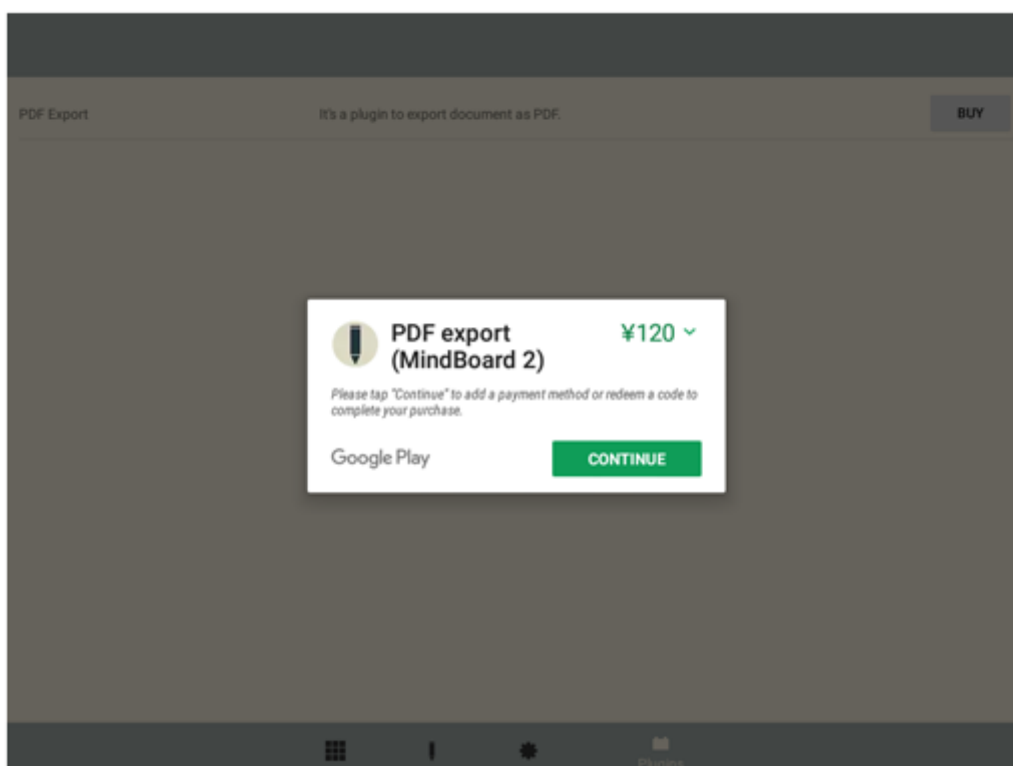
2.5. (4)Plugins

This is for Plugins.

> ℹ️ There is only one plugin now, namely **PDF Export**.

2.5.1. How to buy

Tap the **BUY** Button to purchase the plugin.

After purchase of the plugin, the **PDF Export Button** in the Editor Screen is enabled.

Chapter 3. Features Under Development

The following features are planned for future updates:

- Map Link

- Previous MindBoard Data Import Plugin

- Color Theme Plugin

- Pen Thickness Control Plugin