**Sam**

**Background**  
Full time college student studying towards his bachelor's degree in computer science and software engineering in a fast-paced environment.  
He tackles multiple classes, projects, and assignments every day, thus organization is a priority to him.  
He likes his note taking to be efficient and concise.  
He owns an android phone, tablet and windows laptop that he uses for his studies.  
He undertook the final years of his secondary education during the Covid-19 pandemic and thus has become accustomed to using digital learning tools.

**Personality   
Organized:** Sam likes to keep his notes well organized by topic and class.  
**Tech-Savvy:** He comes from a rural background and thus is accustomed to using technology as part of his everyday life.  
**Collaborative:** he often collaborates with other students on assignments or projects and finds group study beneficial to his learning.

**Goals  
Efficiency:** Sam wants to be able to efficiently take notes during his classes.  
**Accessibility:** He wants to be able to access his notes from any of his devices.  
**Collaboration:** He needs to be able to work together with his peers on certain notes.

**Preferences   
Sleek UI:** A clean and intuitive user interface for seamless interaction and navigation  
**Reminders:** Sam would like to be able to add reminders to notes he wants to come back to later.  
**Customization:** He would like to be able to customize the apps appearance to tailor it for his use.

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