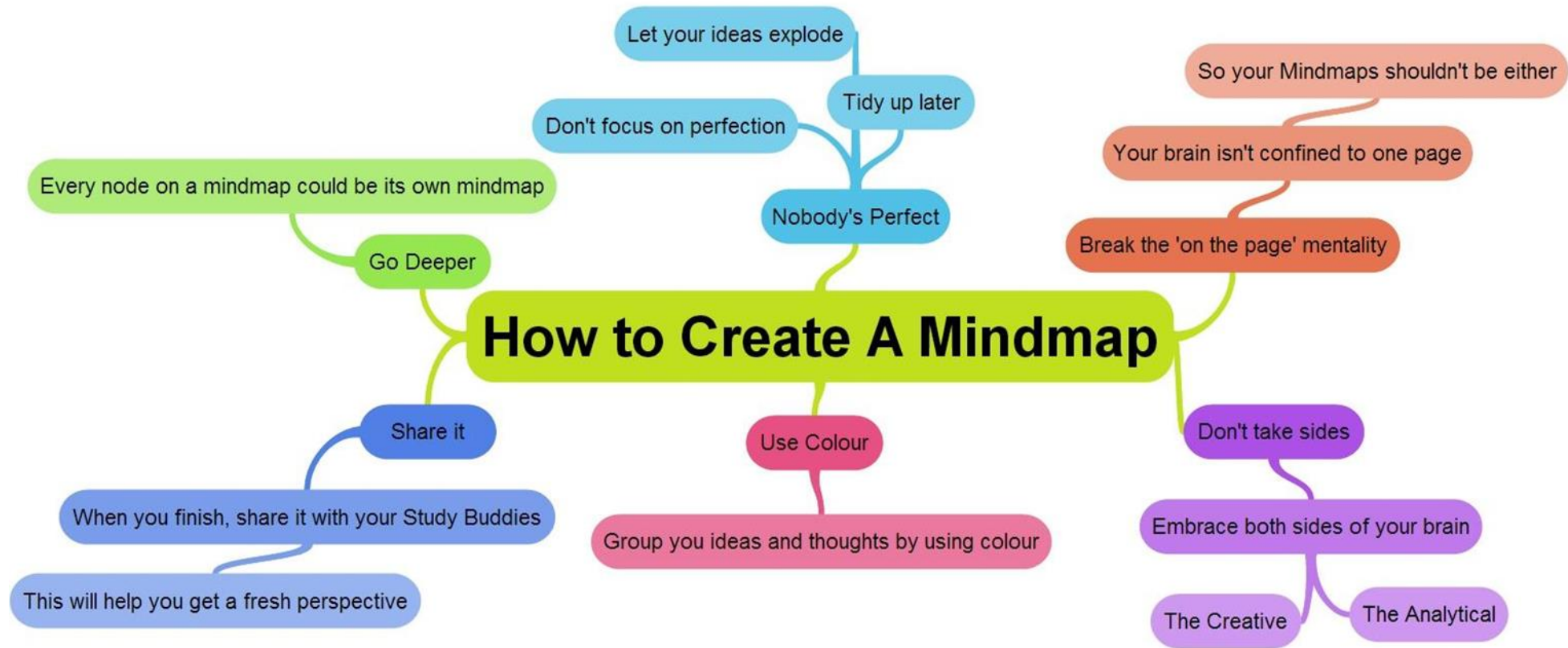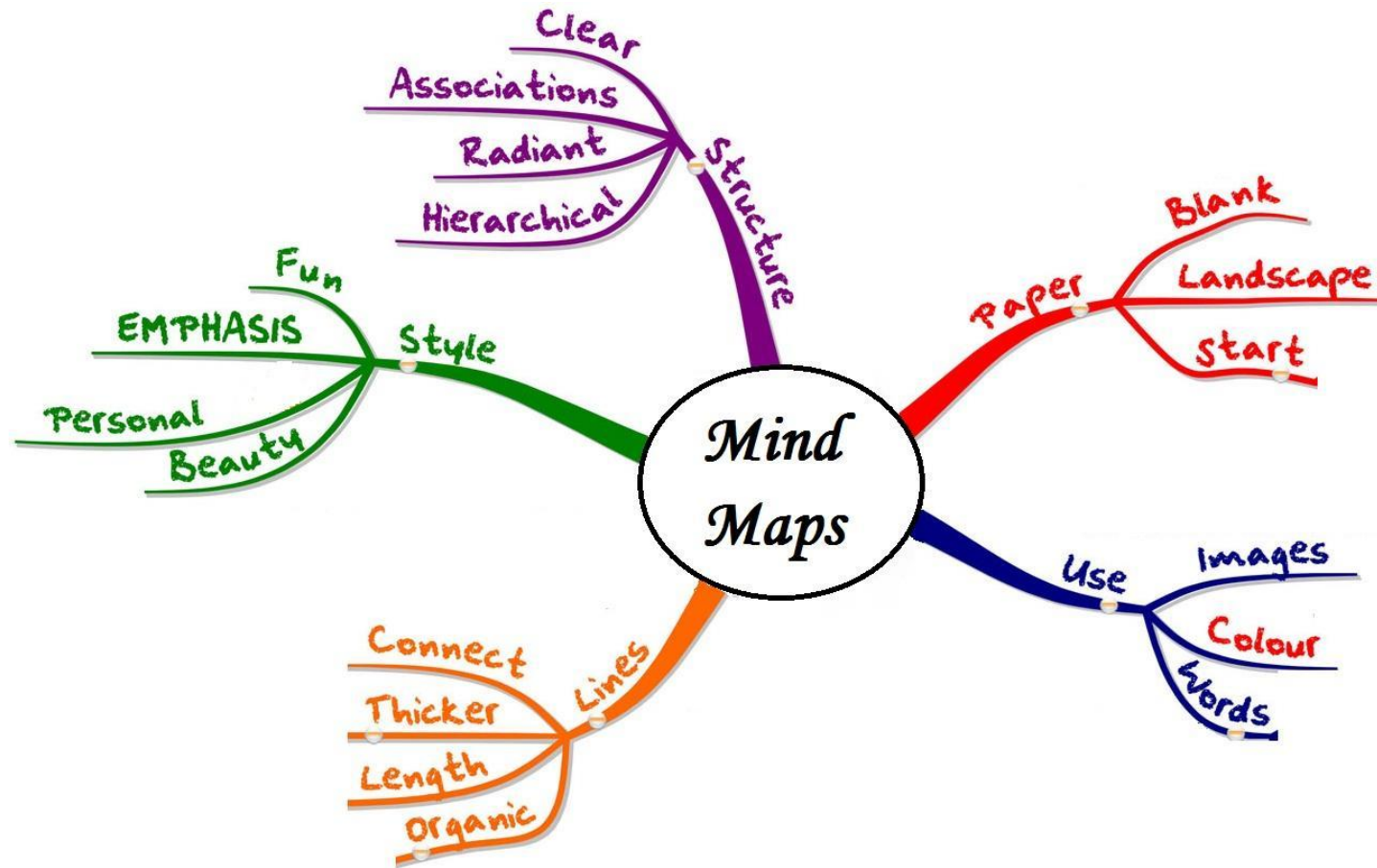# Mind Maps

DUM 02

Mind map

- Mind map (or mental map) is graphic representation of keywords supplemented by pictures which portray their mutual relations and context

- It is universal tool usable for learning, planning or solving problems

- It is used when one "needs to make it clear in his/her head"

MM example (1)

MM example (2)

MM advantages

- Using mindmaps, people can learn and remember information better

- Mindmaps clearly portray subsystems as a whole, allowing perceiving given problem in a complex manner, preventing unclear thinking

- Brain is perceiving context allowing to make mutual associations

- Time saving - while creating maps or while learning

MM disadvantages

- MM are not suitable when there is need to insert longer text

- Using MM is not very common among general population which results in fact that most people don't understand them (and/or are not trying to understand them as they are insisting on their habits)

- It is not always easy to orientate in and understand some other's map.

- MM is mostly suitable for people with visual type of memory (90% of population), discriminating auditive, vocal and motoric type of memory

- It is not possible to display all topics hierarchically

How to create MM?

- Start in the middle of workspace with main topic

- Use pictures, symbols, codes, catch in context

- Choose most important points and pinpoint them

- Use colors

- Develop your own style of creating MMs

…. Use appropriate SW ☺ (Freemind, Xmind, Coggle…)