

Factsheet



SMART Ideas™ concept-mapping software

Make ideas and connections visual

SMART Ideas™ concept-mapping software makes complex ideas easier for students to understand and classroom work a lot more fun. Drag colorful shapes and connectors to create your map. Then enhance it with curriculum-specific and interactive clip art that adds interest and helps learning. You can easily attach links to files and multimedia content for even more impact.

Optimized for use with SMART Board™ interactive whiteboards, the concept maps you create become the focal point for interactive and highly engaging lessons. Handwriting converts easily to text so that notes written in electronic ink can be quickly incorporated into maps.

Add levels of learning

SMART Ideas software lets you create multilevel maps that take students through concepts one level at a time for greater clarity. Maps can be viewed in multiple ways. Easily switch between diagram and outline view to demonstrate the connection between visual and written ideas. Use global view to show all map levels at once and presentation view to remove toolbars for ease of viewing.

Students can work together to build their own concept maps in collaborative brainstorming exercises. Teachers can quickly assess their students' progress by having them plan projects and create maps to demonstrate their grasp of concepts.

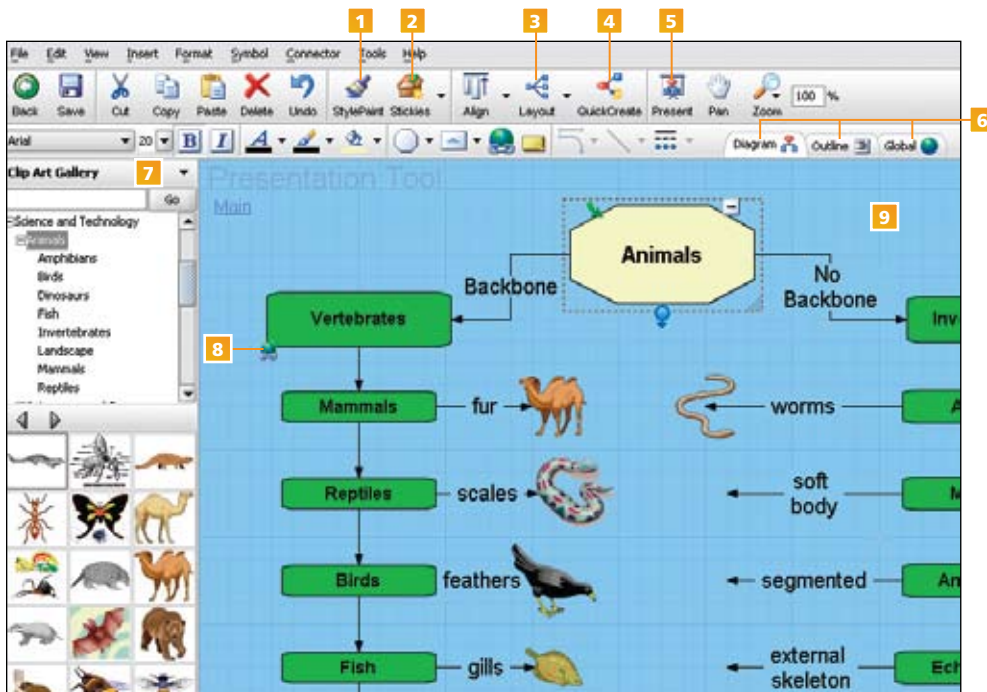
Outside of the classroom, SMART Ideas software becomes a flexible planning and presentation tool. Use multilevel maps to plan semesters and lessons with all the supporting documents attached.

Works with the

SMART Board™
interactive whiteboard

"SMART Ideas software allows students to explore topics and areas while understanding the direct relationship of the previous level. The visual connections have been a great support to the special-education students."

**Laura Wong, Liberty Middle School,
Fairfax County, Virginia**



Features

- 1 Style Paint – Copies formatting from one object to another
- 2 Sticky symbols – Layer objects and move as one
- 3 Layout – Automatically select map format
- 4 Quick Create – Rapidly create a connected diagram
- 5 Presentation mode – Remove toolbars
- 6 Multiple views
- 7 Gallery – Groups of collections you can organize yourself
- 8 Hyperlink – Attach files to your document
- 9 Work space grid

Visually explore ideas

- **Style collections** – Drag and drop ready-made symbols, basic and deluxe connectors, images and interactive clip art.
- **Visual effects** – Change connector styles, and add patterns, images and shading to symbols.
- **Clip-art Gallery and cliplets** – Use over 2,000 resizable pieces of clip art, organized by curriculum topic. Or use cliplets to tell time, measure angles and much more.
- **Multiple views** – Switch between the Diagram view or the text-based Outline view to demonstrate the connection between visual and written ideas. Or show all map levels at once in the Global view.
- **Presentation mode** – Automatically remove toolbars for ease of viewing.
- **Layout** – Choose a layout style that will automatically organize diagrams.
- **Sticky symbols** – Layer objects and move them together to easily categorize ideas.

Build on concepts

- **Multilevel diagrams** – Add sublevels to symbols to create multilevel diagrams, and then export maps to create navigable websites.
- **Hyperlinks** – Add links or attachments to files, websites and levels within diagrams. Link to multimedia files and play them within SMART Ideas software.
- **Quick Create** – Create new, linked symbols with a single keystroke.
- **Collapse and expand levels** – Collapse or expand tree diagrams, one branch at a time.
- **Legend creation** – Easily create legends to emphasize meaning in symbols and their relationship to information.

Simple integration

- **Save in easy-to-share formats** – Save concept maps as a Microsoft® Word documents, HTML files or image files, keeping all map levels intact.
- **Cross-platform compatibility** – Open maps on both Microsoft Windows® and Mac OS X operating systems.
- **SMART Board interactive whiteboard integration** – Use with a SMART Board interactive whiteboard for touch control, handwriting recognition and more.

System requirements

System requirements for Windows operating systems

- Pentium®-class computer
- 128 MB RAM
- Windows 98, 2000, XP, Me or Windows NT® 4.0 operating systems
- Available for use on a Tablet PC

System requirements for Mac OS operating systems (version 10.3 or later)

- Power Macintosh computer
- 128 MB RAM
- 20 MB of free hard disk space for minimum installation (102 MB for full installation with clip art collections)

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