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About the creators

Jane Genovese has been running workshops with students on how to learn more effectively since 2004. She has degrees in Law and Psychology from Murdoch University.

Sharon Genovese started drawing at the age of three and hasn’t stopped since. She studied graphic arts when she finished school and now works as a freelance illustrator.
ONE OF MY LECTURERS (AN ECCENTRIC LAWYER) WAS A HUGE FAN OF MIND MAPS.

ALL OF US HAD RESERVATIONS ABOUT MIND MAPPING. IN HIGH SCHOOL, A FEW TEACHERS HAD GOT US TO DO THEM BUT MOST OF US NEVER SAW THE POINT OF CREATING THEM.

SOMETIMES I WISHED MY HIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS HAD BEEN A BIT MORE LIKE USED-CAR SALESMEN.

THANKFULLY MY LAW LECTURER PICKED UP ON OUR RESISTANCE AND PROCEEDED TO MAKE A CONVINCING CASE FOR THE MIND MAP.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF THIS? SELL IT TO ME!

I WOULD LIKE YOU TO THINK BACK TO WHEN YOU WERE A CHILD.

YOU WILL LOVE IT!

WHAT WAS LEARNING LIKE FOR YOU AS A CHILD?

I THOUGHT BACK TO MY PRE-SCHOOL DAYS. I REMEMBER THROWING MYSELF INTO COLOURING-IN COMPETITIONS.
AS A CHILD, YOU WERE LIKE A SPONGE, SOAKING UP INFORMATION FROM ABSOLUTELY EVERYWHERE! LEARNING WAS EASY AND FUN.

IT DAWNED ON ME THAT I HAD REALLY ENJOYED LEARNING AS A CHILD. I DIDN'T HAVE TO FORCE IT. IT JUST HAPPENED.

AT UNI, I HAD BECOME A DRY BORING PARROT, REPEATING SENTENCES FROM MY NOTES AND TEXT BOOKS.

THE LECTURER ASSURED US THAT WE COULD BE MORE CREATIVE (LIKE WE HAD BEEN AS CHILDREN) WITH MIND MAPS.

THEN IT CAME TIME FOR US TO ACTUALLY DO A MIND MAP.
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