

# Skill Builders: Writing – Clustering Ideas

## Getting Started : Clustering Ideas



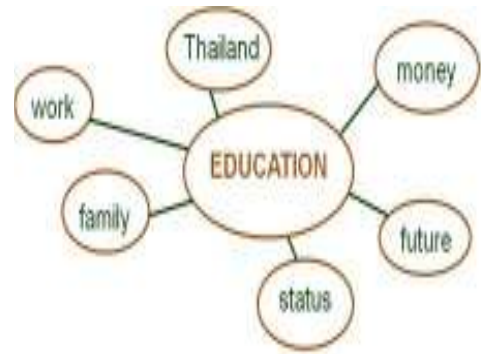
**Clustering ideas** is a type of prewriting that allows you to **evaluate and arrange your ideas as soon as they occur to you**. Like **brainstorming** you do not have to have prior knowledge of your ideas.

**Clustering** your ideas **allows you to create a picture of your thoughts**, which can be arranged later.

### Clustering ideas sample

Let's say you decide your topic is *Education*

1. Start by drawing a circle around your topic *Education*.
2. Next write down all the words that come to mind when you think about your topic *Education*. Don't spend too much time on this step. Write quickly. Circle the words as you write and connect them to your main topic *Education* in the middle.



You can see the whole lesson from your teacher, please ask them to send it to you before the class.

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