

FreeMind

www.freemind.sourceforge.net

Description: FreeMind is a mind mapping software that allows you to develop a map or diagram of represent ideas, tasks, processes, brainstorming, or other connections.

System Requirements: Java Runtime Environment 1.4 or later, 13 MB of hard drive space, and at least 512 MB of memory.

Signup Requirements: No signup requirements for FreeMind

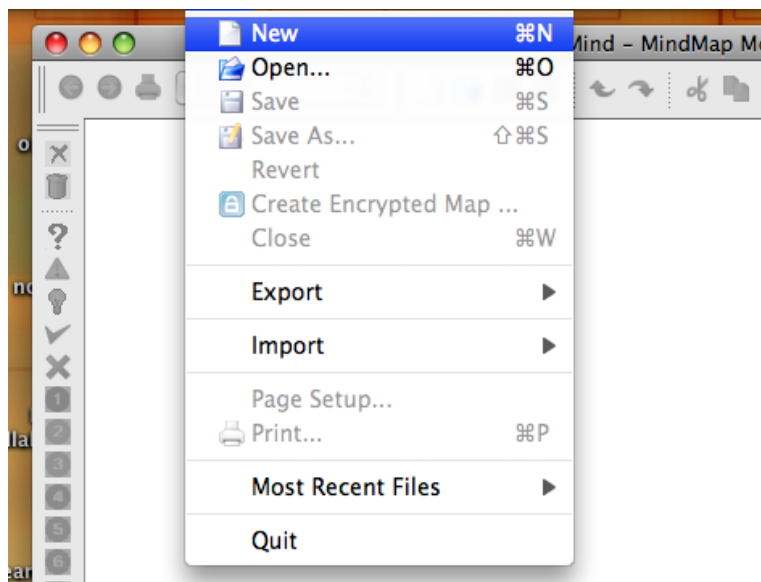
Installing Freemind:

1. Go to www.freemind.sourceforge.net
 2. Select Download
 3. Check System Requirements
 4. Choose the OS (Operating System) your computer uses (Linux, Windows XP, etc.)
 5. Continue with download
 6. When the program is fully installed you can open the program by going to the Start menu at the bottom of your screen.
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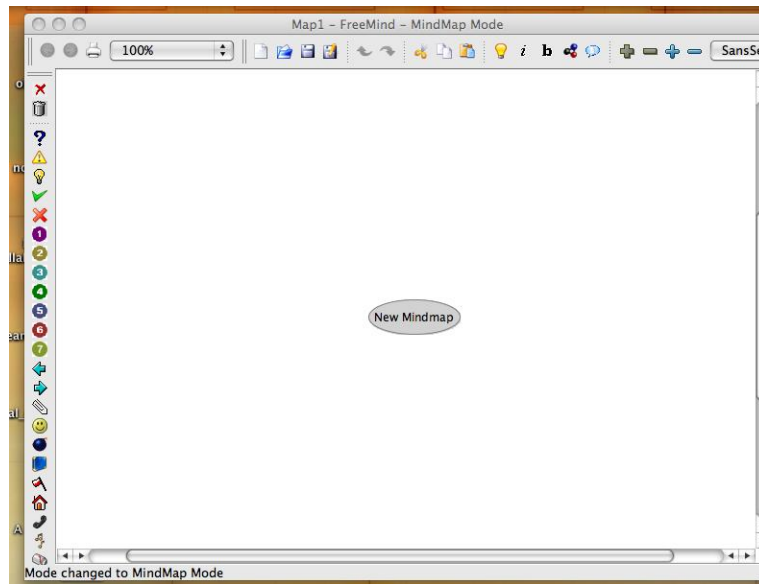
Using Freemind: There are several tutorials on the Freemind website, however the following provides an overview of the basic use.

Open the program, a new document will load.

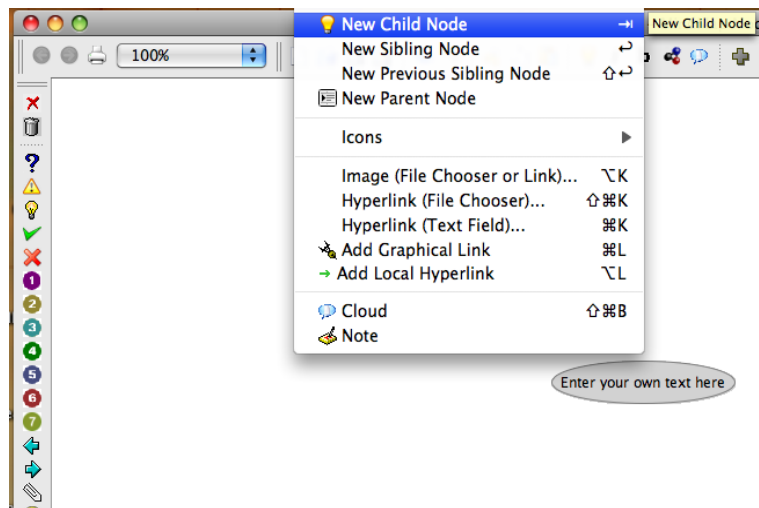
Go to File, New to begin a new Mind Map.



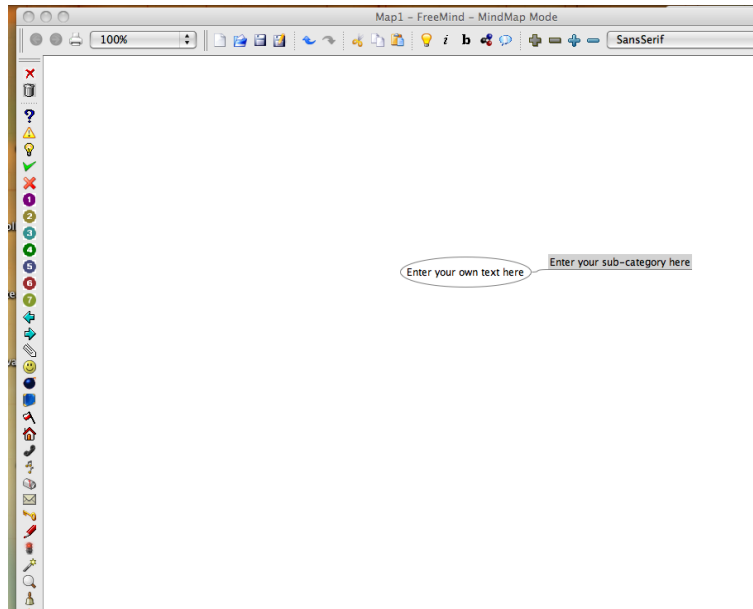
Click on the white canvas (blank document to begin), click in the circle that appears to enter your own text.



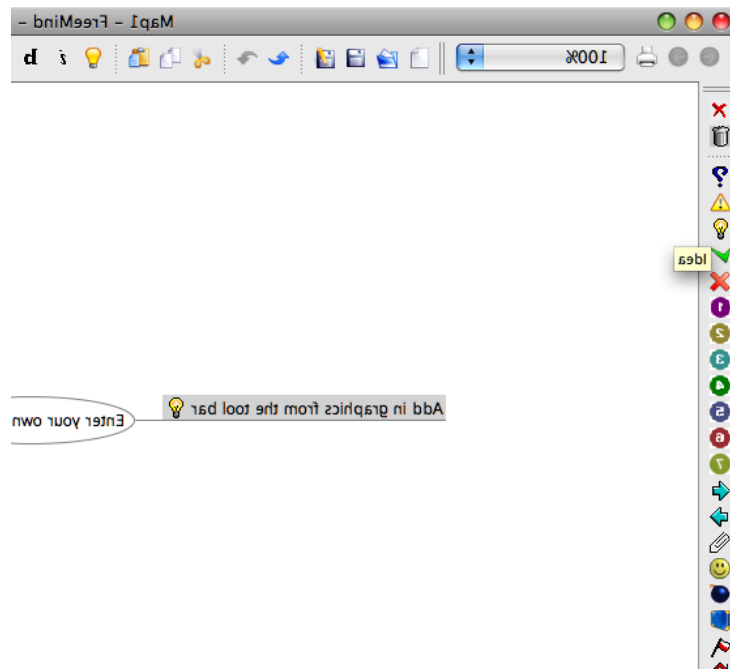
To add another layer (next level) go to Insert, chose if you want to add a child, sibling, or parent node.



You can add text into the new layer that you have inserted.



You can also add in graphics using the tool bar on the left



When you have completed your mind map you can export the file from FreeMind as a PDF or as a picture (jpg) by going to File – Export and choosing the file type in which you would like to export.

