

## Web-based Mind Mapping Applications Comparison Chart

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	<a href="#">MindMeister</a>	<a href="#">Mindomo</a>	<a href="#">Mind42</a>	<a href="#">Comapping</a>	<a href="#">Mead Map</a>
<b>General questions</b>					
In beta	No	No	Yes; v1.0 coming soon	No	No
Basic/free version	Yes	Yes	Yes	Free "view only" version; 30-day trial with all access capabilities, discount for purchase prior to trial	Free "view only" version; 30-day trial with all access capabilities, discount for purchase prior to trial
Premium/paid version	Yes	Yes	No (since still in Beta)	6 months/ 12 months	6 months/ 12 months
Price of paid version	\$49.90 / €38.50 per year	\$6/month		\$15/\$25	\$15/\$25
Other version (please describe)	Team; business; academic; embedded			Mead Map for educational use	Mead Map for educational use
Max. number of maps per account	Unlimited for Premium / 6 for Basic	7 private, unlimited public	Unlimited in Beta	Unlimited	Unlimited
Enterprise version (installed on corporate server)	Yes	Yes	After Beta	Yes, email to inquire	Yes, email to inquire
<b>Map formats supported</b>					
Traditional	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Directional (right/left)	Yes	Yes	No	Left to right	Left to right
Other (please describe)		bottom layout, top layout			
<b>Map-level features</b>					
Support for dragging/dropping topics	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Expandable/collapsible branches	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Support for right-click commands	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Map navigator or overview (shows where you are within a large map)	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Map styles	No	Yes	No	No	No
Ability to create map templates	Yes (via Duplicate function)	Yes	No	Yes, common templates and for own use	Yes, common templates and for own use
Spell check	Only with browser functions	Yes – premium users	No	Coming soon	Coming soon
Map zoom	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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Balance map (distribute topics)	With auto-layout function (F8)	Yes	No	Intelligent focusing operation	Intelligent focusing operation
Other (please describe)	Expand/collapse by levels; re-center map; revisions Tracking/History			Cut/copy/paste within or outside of map; find	Cut/copy/paste within or outside of map; find
<b>Topic Features</b>					
Format topic text (font/size/style)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Can topics be freely positioned?	Yes (level 1)	Yes	No	No	No
Map markers/symbols	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Attach files to topics	Yes	No	No	Coming soon	Coming soon
Task-related info	Yes	Yes	Indirectly (using icons and/or the to-do attachment)	Yes; e-mail alert capable	Yes; e-mail alert capable
Priority-related info (ABC)	Yes	Yes	Indirectly (using icons and/or the to-do attachment)	Yes	Yes
Call-out topics	No	No	No	No	No
Notes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hyperlinks	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, auto-create	Yes, auto-create
Links between maps	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Topic numbering	Yes (Priorities)	No	Limited using icons	Yes, Number icons available	Yes, Number icons available
Topic boundaries	No	Yes	No	No	No
Floating topics	No	No	No	No	No
Relationship lines	Upcoming version	Yes	No	No	No
Other (please describe)	Automatic hyperlinks and notes for topics; copy as text/ e-mail link; create as map; apply format to children			Smart Auto-open/close topics, auto-pan and auto-zoom, driven by topic selected	Smart Auto-open/close topics, auto-pan and auto-zoom, driven by topic selected
<b>Import Options</b>					
Import from Freemind	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Import from Mindmanager	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Other (please describe)	Import via API			Between Mead Map, Comapping	Between Mead Map, Comapping

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<b>Export Options</b>					
Export to Freemind	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Export to MindManager	Yes	Yes – premium users	Yes	Yes	Yes
Export to Microsoft Project	No	Yes – premium users	No	No	No
Export to image	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Export as text	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Export as rich text	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Export to PDF	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Other (please describe)				CSV (Excel); HTML bulleted web page; HTML web page with layout; between Mead Map and Comapping	CSV (Excel); HTML bulleted web page; HTML web page with layout; between Mead Map and Comapping
<b>Publishing Options</b>					
Publish maps online?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Publish maps on blogs/web sites?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Other (please describe)	Publish password protected			Can also “Share” publicly as editable or view-only maps	Can also “Share” publicly as editable or view-only maps
<b>Collaboration</b>					
Real-time collaboration	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Asynchronous sharing	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Change markers (map displays who changed what, when)	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Live chat with other collaborators	Yes (via Skype)	No	No	Yes	Yes
<b>Other features</b>					
Auto save?	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Manual save?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ribbon toolbar	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Support for keyboard shortcuts?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Submit topics to map via widgets	Yes	No	No	No	No
Undo/redo	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Download maps for offline storage?	Yes	Yes – via export to MindManager .mmap file	Yes	Yes	Yes

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Offline editing (Google Gears)	Yes	No	No	Work offline if network connection is lost; re-save online when connection is restored	Work offline if network connection is lost; re-save online when connection is restored
Other notable features	Map tagging; change notifications via e-mail, SMS	Create personal folder structure; encrypted map storage; copy nodes or branches between maps; search topics by title, description and URL; print maps in multiple pages		Bookmark map; print current view; print selected topics; Organize maps in folders; map retrieval service; shortcuts to map topics	Bookmark map; print current view; print selected topics; Organize maps in folders; map retrieval service; shortcuts to map topics

**NOTES:**

1. Mead Map is based on Comapping. As of May 2008 the two applications are identical, but the companies plan to differentiate them - Comapping will continue to focus on businesses, and Mead Map on education
2. This chart was inspired by a comparison chart published by Tiffany Brown in July 2007.  
Her report can be found here: <http://tiffanybbrown.com/2007/07/02/online-mind-map-services/>

**Comments? Questions?**

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