



## ***Kids InfoBits Toolbox – Creating a Web To Organize Ideas***

The ***Kids InfoBits Toolbox*** tip sheets are designed to help young researchers prepare a written report. This document will explain how to **gather ideas into a web to help organize your report.**

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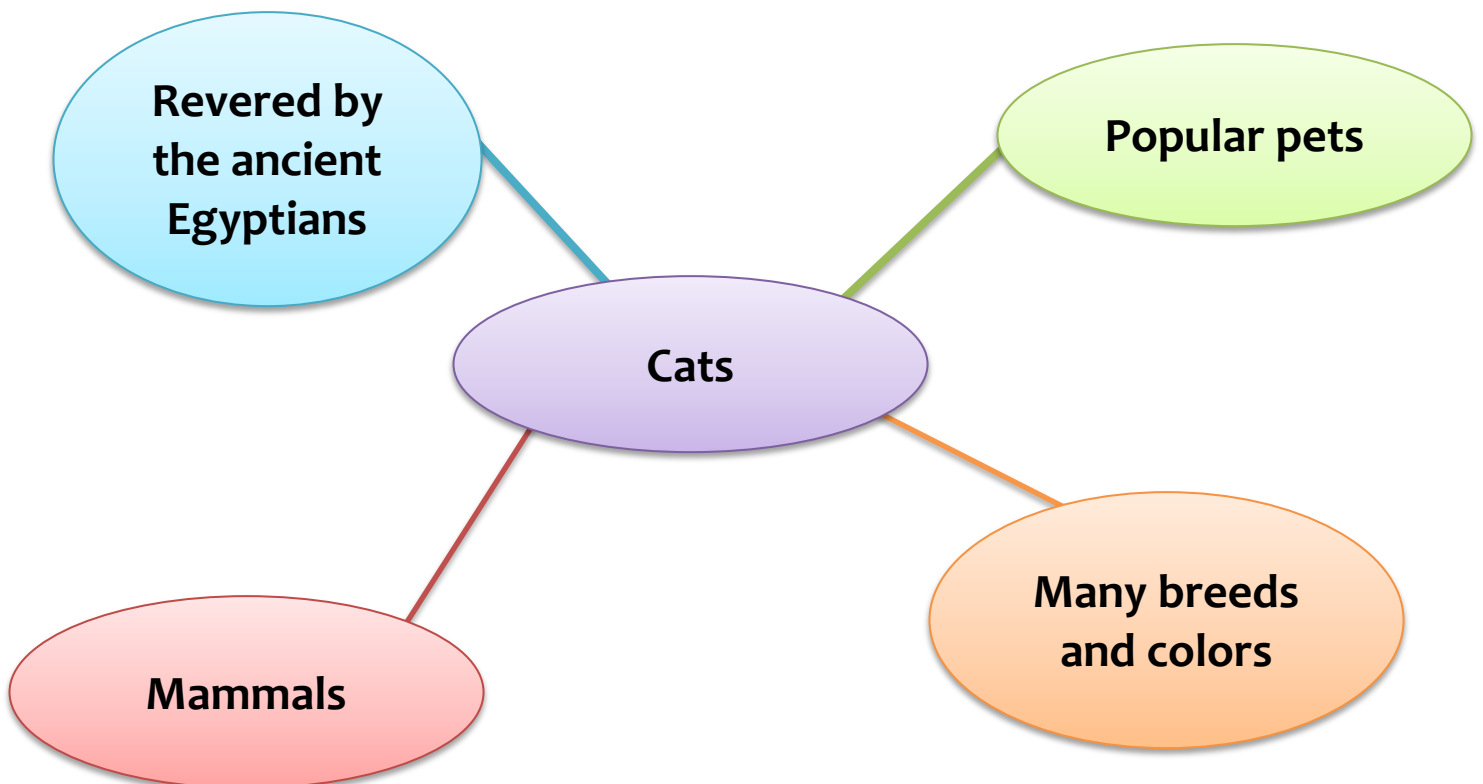
Once you have gathered information about your topic, it will be time to begin organizing your ideas. This will make writing your report much easier.

One of the simplest ways to organize your ideas is by using a web. A web is a way to write your ideas down and organize how they go together. All of your ideas will be interconnected just like a spider web. That is why we call it a web.

Begin by writing your main topic in a big circle in the middle of your page.

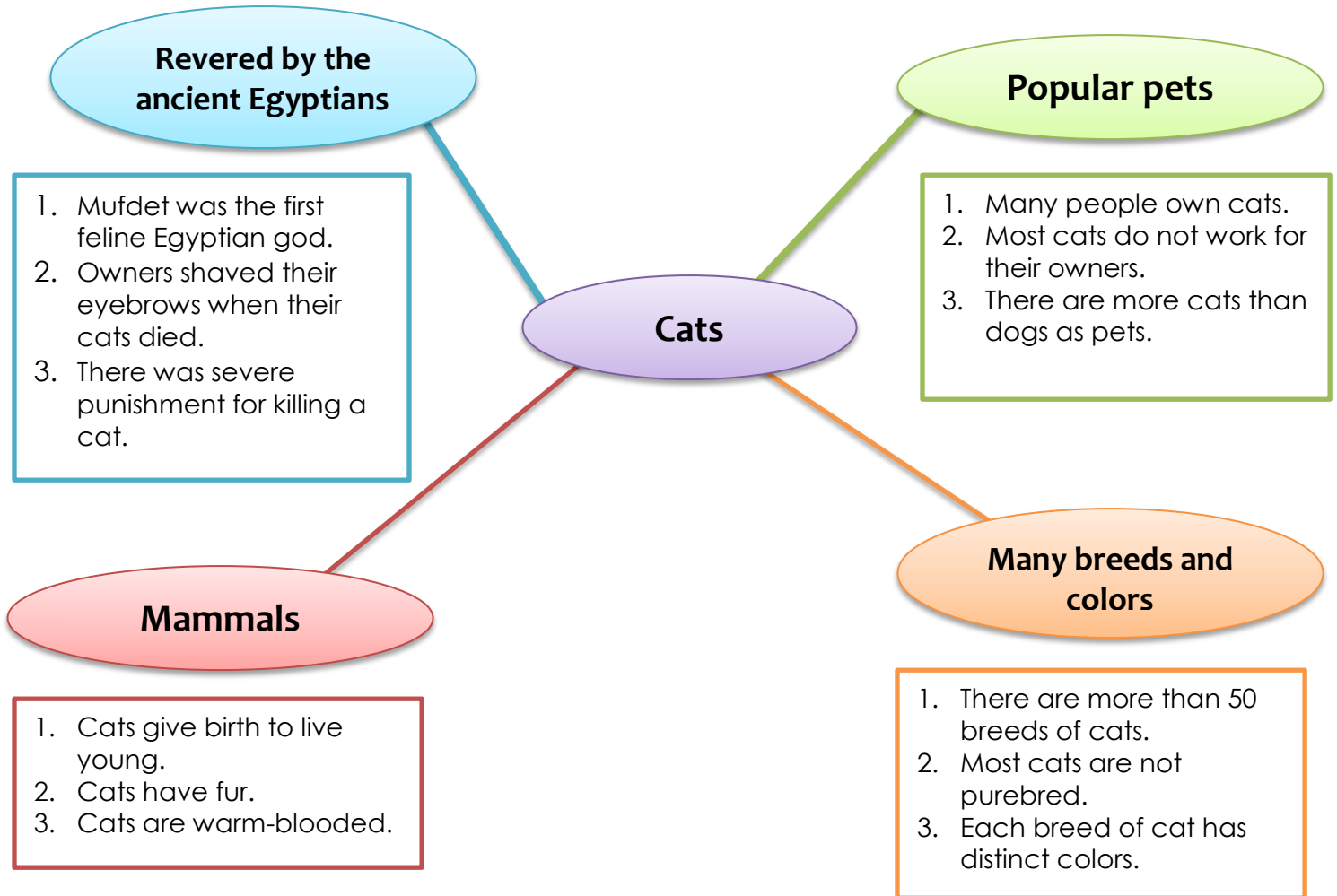


The next step is to connect your ideas about cats to the big circle.



Just by writing down your ideas in a web, your report will start coming to life. From this example with cats, you can see that there are four paragraphs to write about cats. You can either begin writing your report using this web or by adding to the web.

Here is how you could add to the web you already have. To develop a more complex web, add one or two ideas for each phrase that is in a circle that is connected to the main idea.



It would be easy to write a report about cats using this web. You can try your hand at writing a cat report using the web .

When you are ready to write your own web for your report, there are several ways you can do it. You can use the worksheets linked at the beginning of this document; one is for a simple web like the one on the first page and the other is for a more complex web like the one on this page. You can also make up your own web! It is usually easiest to read it if you use unlined paper.

You can download a worksheet to create a simple web here:

<http://assets.cengage.com/training/CreatingWebSimpleWksht.pdf> or a complex web here:

<http://assets.cengage.com/training/CreatingWebComplexWksht.pdf>.

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