

How to create a Hope Map

What is a Hope Map?

A Hope Map is designed to help you visualise your dreams and help you understand how to overcome barriers to realise these dreams.

This step-by-step guide will allow you to create your own hope map.

You will need:

- A piece of paper (ideally A3, but you can also use A4).
- A pen or something to write with.

Steps:

- 1. Turn your piece of paper landscape.
- 2. On the far right side of the page, write a goal that you have for the future in large writing about half way down the page.
- 3. On the far left side of the page, write 1, 2 or 3 barriers that might stop you from achieving this goal. Spread these barriers out across the whole length of the page.
- 4. Draw an arrow between each barrier and your goal.
- 5. Above each arrow write at least one way you could overcome this barrier.
- 6. On the back of your hope map, write down ten steps of how you could achieve your goal. It is often easier to work backwards.

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