## 2. Brainstorming and Organizing Ideas

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Do not be too critical; you can always remove ideas later.	<ul> <li>Read through the ideas you listed and cross out unrelated or repeated ideas.</li> <li>Group related ideas by putting an "A" next to all ideas in one group, a "B" next to all ideas in another group, etc.</li> <li>Then, copy all of the ideas from each group into the separate boxes below.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Write down the main idea for each group.</li> <li>Write down the ideas in each group in the order you will discuss them.</li> <li>Then, put a number next to each group of ideas to show which group you will discuss first, second, third, etc.</li> </ul>
	Group A:	Main idea:
		Supporting ideas:
	Group B:	Main idea:
		Supporting ideas:
	Group C:	Main idea: Supporting ideas: