

## {A+ Note Strategies: Mind Mapping}

Consider using a Mind Map to take notes on the computer if handwriting is difficult. Mind Maps are similar to outlines but offer more versatility and visual appeal. I find the ability to click and drag especially helpful when I realize a note better fits under a different subject. This also helps when relating ideas and seeing how they fit into a bigger picture.

To map for the A+ exam I recommend beginning with the exam objectives provided by CompTIA. Start with each section or objective as the central idea, then build out the list of things you need to know. After that research the answers and add either another layer, relationship or note in. This will give you a quick reference guide for your studying.

Mind Mapping software is freely available on the web, I used Mind Meister to create the example below. Many programs allow you to collaborate so you can work together to build out maps.

