

HOW TO CREATE GREAT THINGS



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A Note from the Authors

We created this book as a guide on how to create great things, from the Service Design perspective. Each chapter will take you on a journey of discovery through the Service Design process from ideation to implementation. As you read, you will find Infographics we created from readings about Service Design, that describe this process; you may use these for yourself or your team as handouts or large format printouts. We hope this odyssey will help you discover how we used a people-centered design process to create great things.

Our Approach | How to Read this Book



Show 'em:

The viewer is simply handed the infographic and asked to explain what they understand. We also ask for any questions or comments. Their understanding helps us gauge if they were able to grasp the message we hoped to communicate, and how we can adapt our message to be understood better.

If you see this icon, this was the conducted interview style.



Tell 'em:

We started by telling the viewer the basic content portrayed in the infographic. After, we have them explain them to us what they understand. We also allow them to provide feedback on the style, structure, ease of reading, and the amount of information on the infographic.

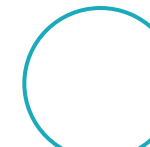
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Work with 'em:

We worked together with our viewers to create something that works for them. We give them a general understanding of the content that goes into the infographic. Together, we construct the design and decide what information is relevant to include on the infographic.

If you see this icon, this was the conducted interview style.



Keep it | Change it

Our interviews helped us reiterate and refine our infographics into a satisfying design.

If you see this circle, this indicates a closeup of suggestions we received.

On the “Clara’s Work” and “Natalie’s Work” page, this circle highlights what will be carried into our final infographic. On the “Our Work” page, this circle highlights the changes made as we designed the final infographic, based on our interviews.



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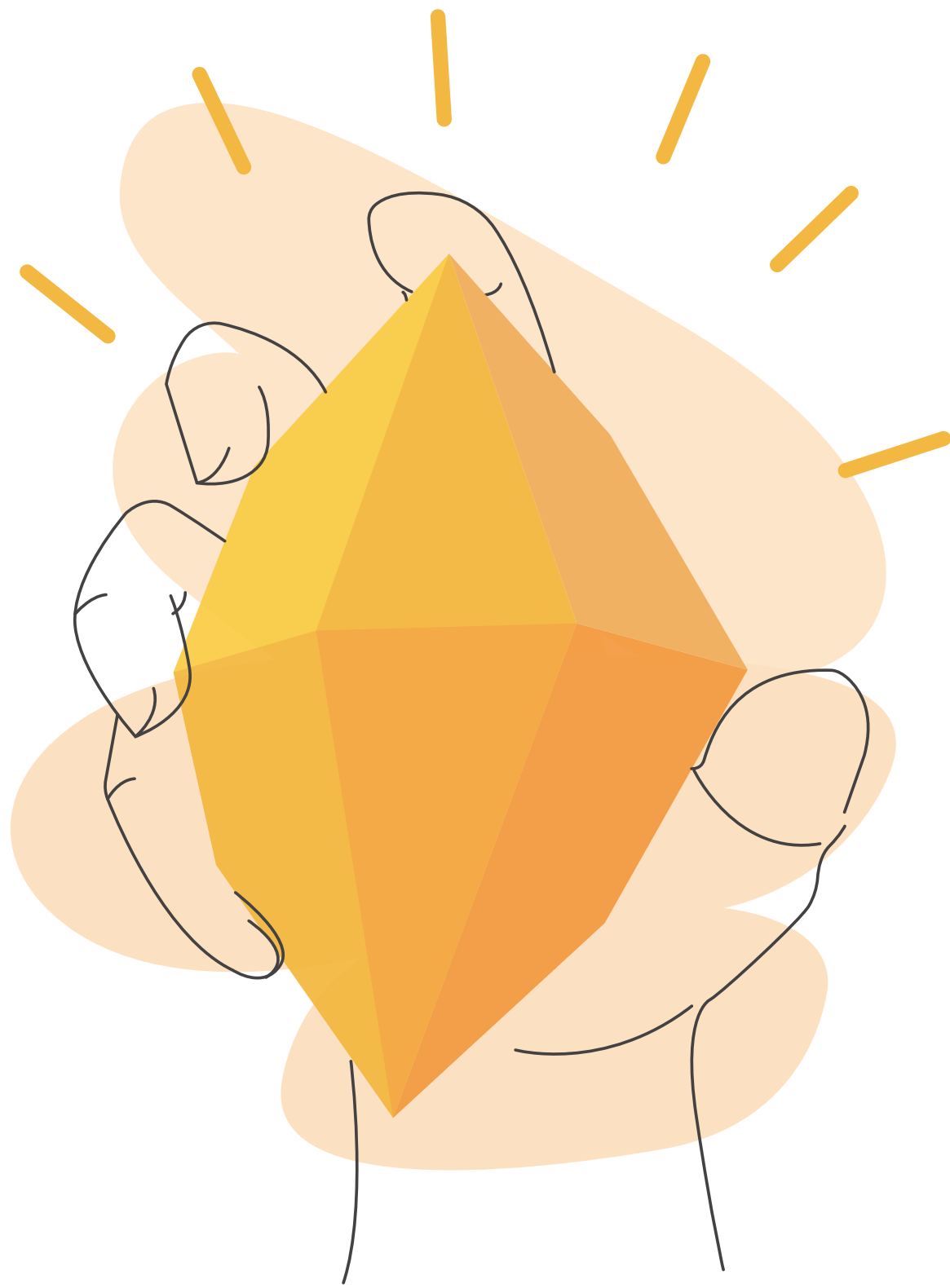
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3 Ways to Spark Inspiration

Models are visual representations of thoughts and ideas, presented in a simple and meaningful way. Models will help reveal the big picture and build consensus amongst people.

Prototypes are a low fidelity 3D models that should allow for deep and constant exploration. They can be used to bring perspective to journey maps or scenarios or to visualize and test early concepts and ideas. Iterative prototyping will reveal assumptions, biases and gaps.

Conceptual writing is using words as lists or as and narratives to further communicate what is known but to also explore possibilities. It organize thinking and an understanding of all parts.

From Communicating the New: Methods to Create and Accelerate Innovation

Chapter 1: Finding the Conceptual Center

by Marc Kim Erwin

HOW TO SPARK INSPIRATION

Getting groups to be start thinking together and be inspired can seem daunting. With these 3 simple and creative methods, you can spark inspiration and collaboration by getting people to surface and be inspired by the Unconscious in information they already have.

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1. MODELS AND FRAMEWORKS

Thinking with Our Eyes

In this method, you create a model or a visual representation of the information or data you've gathered about something. **To create a model, try to answer these five questions:**

1. Does Sequence Matter?

- help direct stages, progressions, variations, and boundaries

3. How Does a Part Impact the Whole?

- break parts down
- interrelate parts
- highlight the undervalued aspect.
- correct assumptions

2. What is Important?

- prioritizing information
- highlighting the numbers, emotional factors and areas of opportunity

4. Any Underlying System?

- see how things are connected.

5. Any Central Theme(s)?

- Highlighting a central theme in your
- brings order, synthesis and priority

MODELS AND FRAMEWORKS HELP:

- Manage Complexity
- Build a Shared basis of Judgment
- Create alignment in teams

2. BUILD-TO-THINK PROTOTYPES

Thinking with Our Hands : Creating physical models

1. Prototypes to Ask WHAT IF?

- describe ideas
- encourage questions.

2. Frankenprototypes to explore and align

- for when resources are constrained
- use found objects or easy-to-use objects to create **frankenprototypes**.

3. Modular Prototypes to Converse and Configure

- allows people involved to take part in creating the prototype which
- encourages conversation and reconfiguration of the prototype.

3. LISTS AND OPEN-ENDED WRITING

Thinking with Our Words

Writing allows you to think, reflect and accelerate insights. Writing methods include:

Initial Phase:

1. Simple lists to elicit insights

- **fact list:** everything you know
- **hunch list:** everything you think may matter
- **concern lists:** to be revisited/ resolved
- **spark list:** write anything that is interesting.

Synthesizing Big Data

2. Structured lists to integrate

- relationships, heirarchy, naming, creating.
- mind maps, sticky notes,
- wall based clustering (team based)
- spread sheets (individuals)

Ideating:

3. Writing to prototype

- creating a story for inspiration
- use facts, quotes, questions, history, story, scenarios, situations and thesis statements

Clara's Work

Why this design?

This infographic intended to breakdown the three main topics presented in the chapter. The idea was to explain what the three concepts were and describe how they might be applied.

General Interviews



| Work with 'em

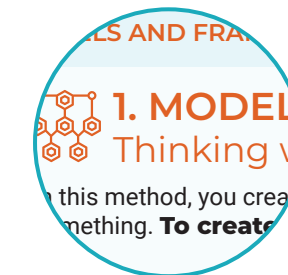


| Tell 'em

I talked to a SCAD Industrial Design student from the Caribbeans and two Interior Design students, one from Nigeria and the other from Kenya.

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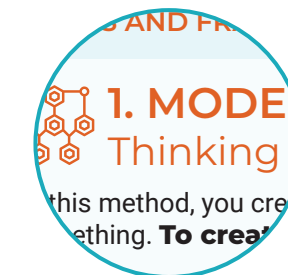
Their suggestions, listed below, were carried into the design of our final infographic.



Use different color to differentiate each point



Use a number system that clarifies each topic is a separate point

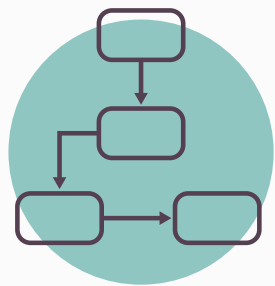


Have short sentences/phrase to simplify information, key information is highlighted/called out by make the text bold

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3 WAYS TO FIND THE CONCEPTUAL CENTRE

From *Communicating the New: Methods to Shape and Accelerate Innovation*
Chapter 1: Finding the Conceptual Centre



I. MODELS

Thinking with our eyes



II. PROTOTYPES

Thinking with our hands



III. WRITING

Thinking with words

Reveals base structure and the big picture, builds consensus.

Models to manage complexity: step by step breakdown to understand complex systems (flow charts, concept maps.)

Models to create a shared language: co-created models build consensus with stakeholders.

Models to create alignment: collaborative maps made as a team ensure good and mutual understanding within team.

“Model creation requires reflection, editing, negotiation & storytelling.”

Informs the problem and externalises assumptions, biases, & gaps.

Paper prototypes: *“What if?”* More hands-on, more space to visualise.

“Frankenprototypes”: *to explore and align, experience the form; size, proportion, weight* (3D mock-up with cheap objects.)

Modular prototypes: *to envision and experience spatial relations and flow of the product or service* (3D foam core models.)

“Low resolution and low fidelity – just enough experience to imagine the concept, without distracting detail and quality craftsmanship that signal a more developed idea.”

Organises thinking & accelerates synthesis.

Simple lists: *draw out insights, keep track and discover parallel groups of information* (facts, hunches, concerns, and inspiration.)

Structured lists: *integrate thinking, organise and prioritise* (mind maps, sticky note clustering, spreadsheets.)

Writing to prototype: *articulate the story and find the narrative.*

“Writing stirs up what’s in the unconscious or subconscious mind, and allows it to come together in a new way.”

Natalie’s Work

Why this design?

This infographic would serve as a snapshot of the three main methods presented in the chapter, as a reminder or spark of inspiration. The poster has bold graphics and eye-catching colours to potentially serve that purpose. Different shapes were used to provide more visual variety that was tied together by the colors of the respective categories to suggest that they belong to the same group. Lastly, each category was given a quote from the chapter that wrapped each method up, to help the reader feel contemplative and inspired for their next project.

General Interviews



| Work with ‘em



| Show ‘em

I talked to my mom and a Korean girl I met at a coffee shop, whose native language was not English.

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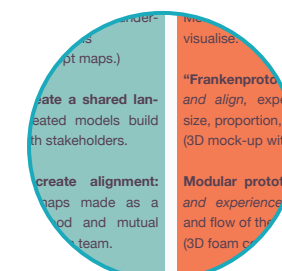
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Use the succinct wording



Have information be visually comprehensive by separating with blocks of color



Align text across each colored block of information

Our Work

Why this design?

Based on the review from class, we chose to use Natalie's basic structure, because it was cohesive, coherent and concise, while Clara's color palette was used. Clara's color title was also chosen since it conveyed the message of the infographic in a that grabbed hour attention and was more understandable to a general viewer.

An In-depth look at an Interview



| A local Asian high school student



| Show 'em



| Tell 'em

When we showed the student the infographic, she first looked at the three circles and icons before she read what was in the rectangular section with the main body of text, instead of vertically as we had intended. She also read the quotes at the bottom in one go instead of seeing that it belonged to the corresponding category. We lengthened the rectangle to encompass all the information of each section and we also made the quotes correspond with the colors of their respective sections. After making a few changes, we went back to interview her to see what changes worked.

General Interviews



| Work with 'em



| Show 'em

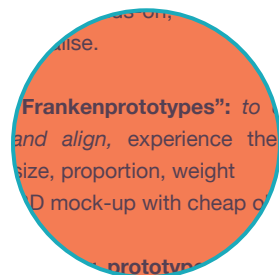


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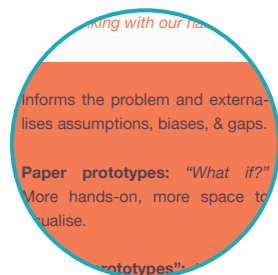
We interviewed a mother and daughter who were tourists from Germany whose primary language was not english, as well as 2 SCAD students. Their suggestions, listed below, were carried into the design of our final infographic.

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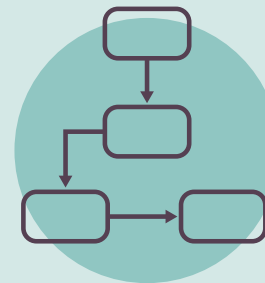
Original titles were not bolded/called out enough



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3 WAYS TO SPARK INSPIRATION

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I. MODELS

Thinking with our eyes

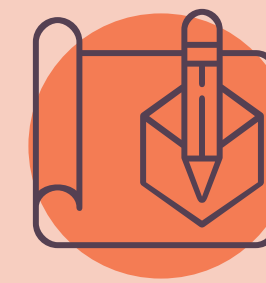
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II. PROTOTYPES

Thinking with our hands

Reveals assumptions, biases, & gaps. Informs the problem

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III. WRITING

Thinking with words

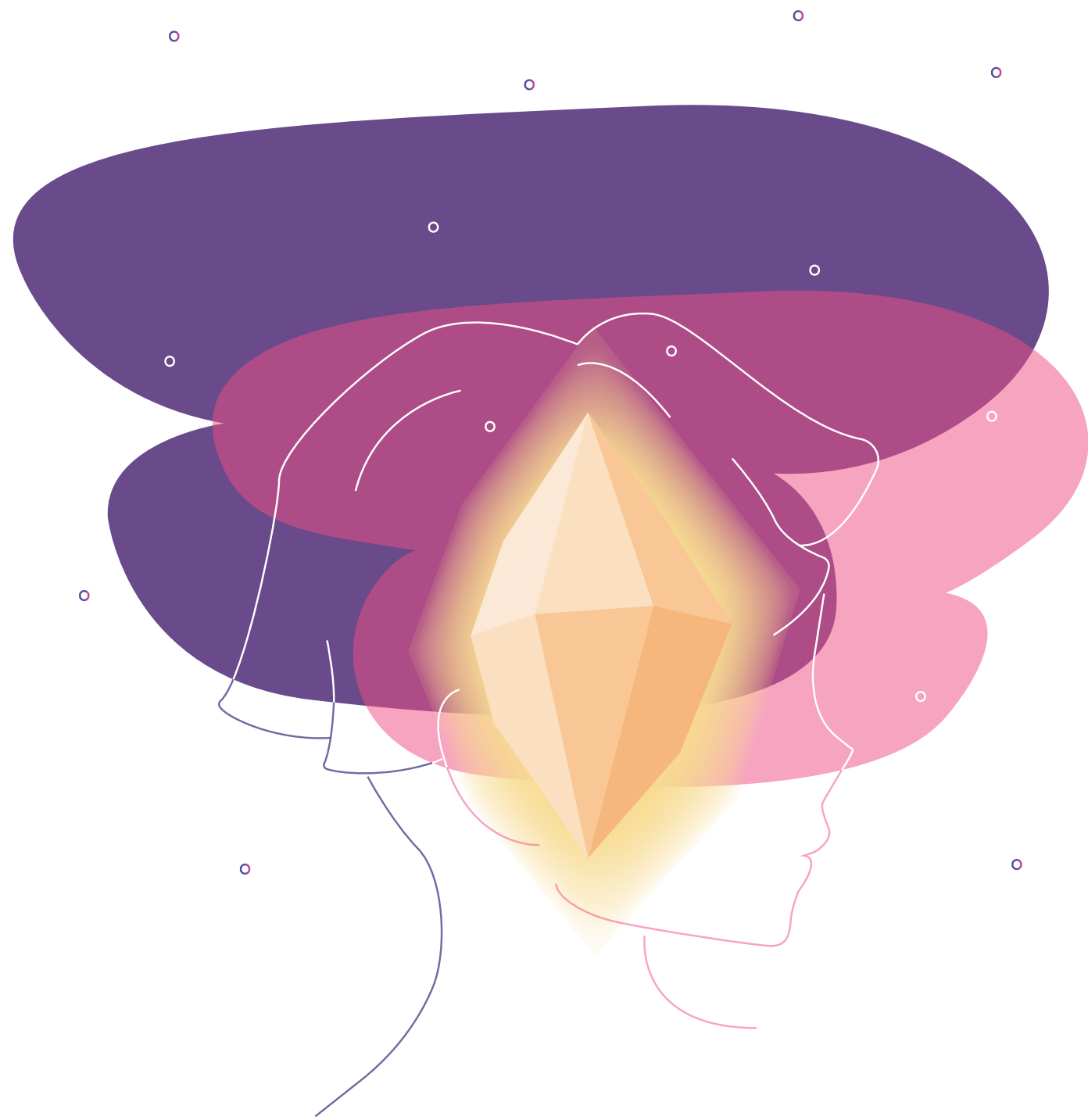
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02

Where do Great Ideas Come From

After understanding what you know, the ideation phase comes next. Ideation is a non-linear process that happens reiteratively throughout the entire design process. When generating ideas, you are mixing, recombining, extracting, condensing, clarifying and evolving numerous ideas and concepts. It is important that ideation is collaborative; we should work with users, service providers, designers and other stakeholders who matter in the given context.

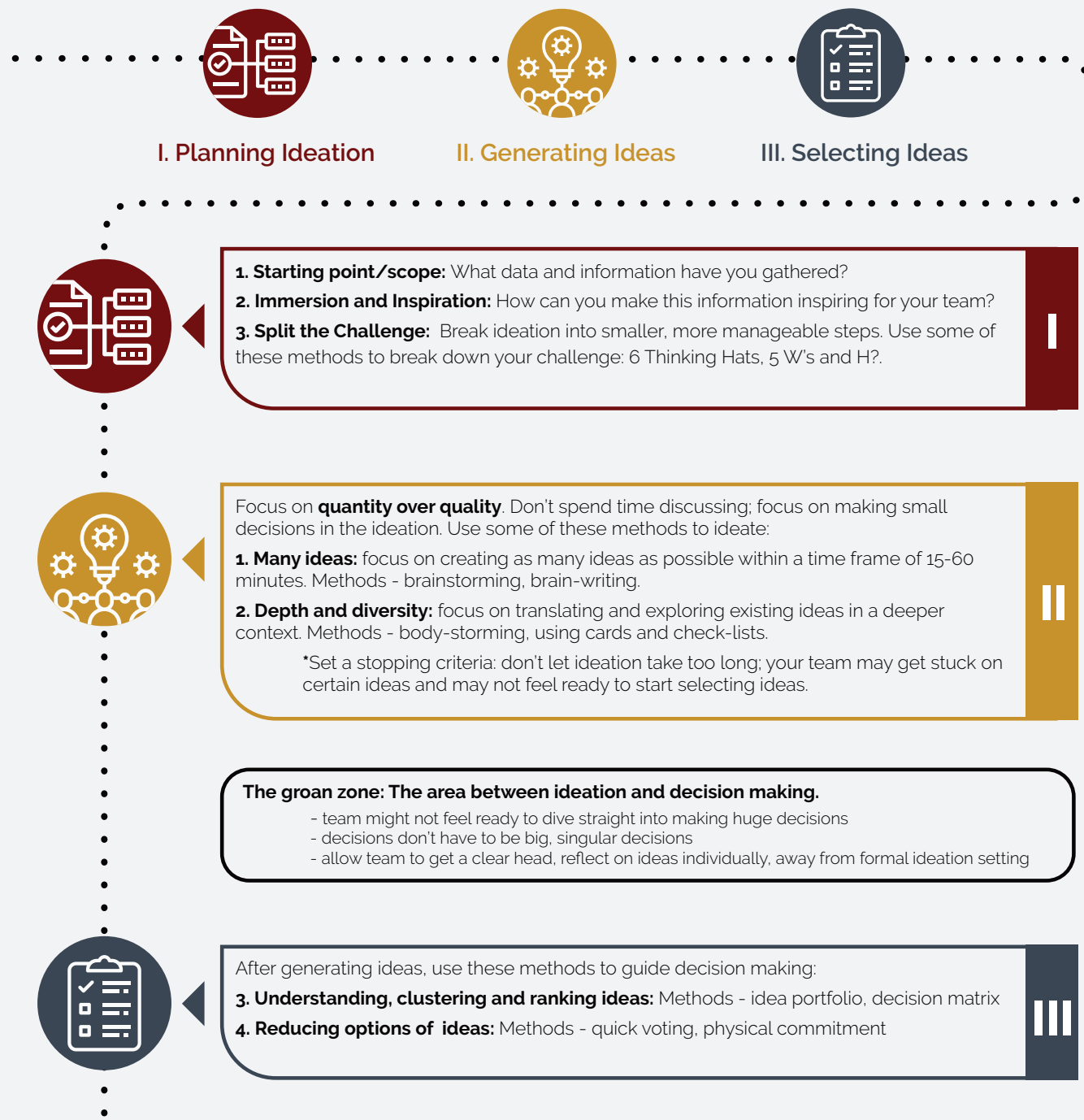
From This is Service Design Doing
Chapter 6: Ideation
by Marc Stickdorn, Adam Lawrence
Markus Hormess, Jakob Schneider

Where Do Great Ideas Come From?

A guide on the phases of the ideation process used by innovators

From the book, *This is Service Design Doing*, Chapter 6: Ideation.

It may seem like a daunting task to generate innovative ideas with your team, but it shouldn't have to be! Here is a step-by-step guide of the ideation process and ideation methods used by designers and innovators. Ideation should be broken down into three phases: **planning ideation, generating ideas and selecting ideas**. It is crucial to note that there is no rigid starting point or ending point to of each phase. Your team should determine what works best for you.



Clara's Work

Why this design?

I chose to present ideation in a more linear process to create a journey of the general phases that occur in ideating. These phases were broken down into planning ideation, generating ideas and selecting ideas. I wanted to explain what each phase entailed but also provide examples of what methods can be used in these phases.

An In-depth look at an Interview

| Jane, Communications student at Drexel University

| Tell 'em

| Work with 'em

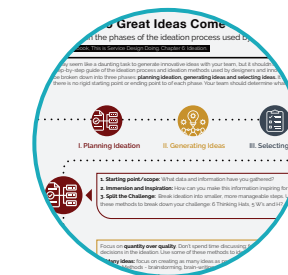
I showed Jane the infographic and gave her a general scope of what the infographic represented, directing her through what she saw. She generally understood the content, and we worked together to create a balanced amount of information.

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Jane's suggestions, listed below, were carried into the design of our final infographic.



Icons related well to each topic

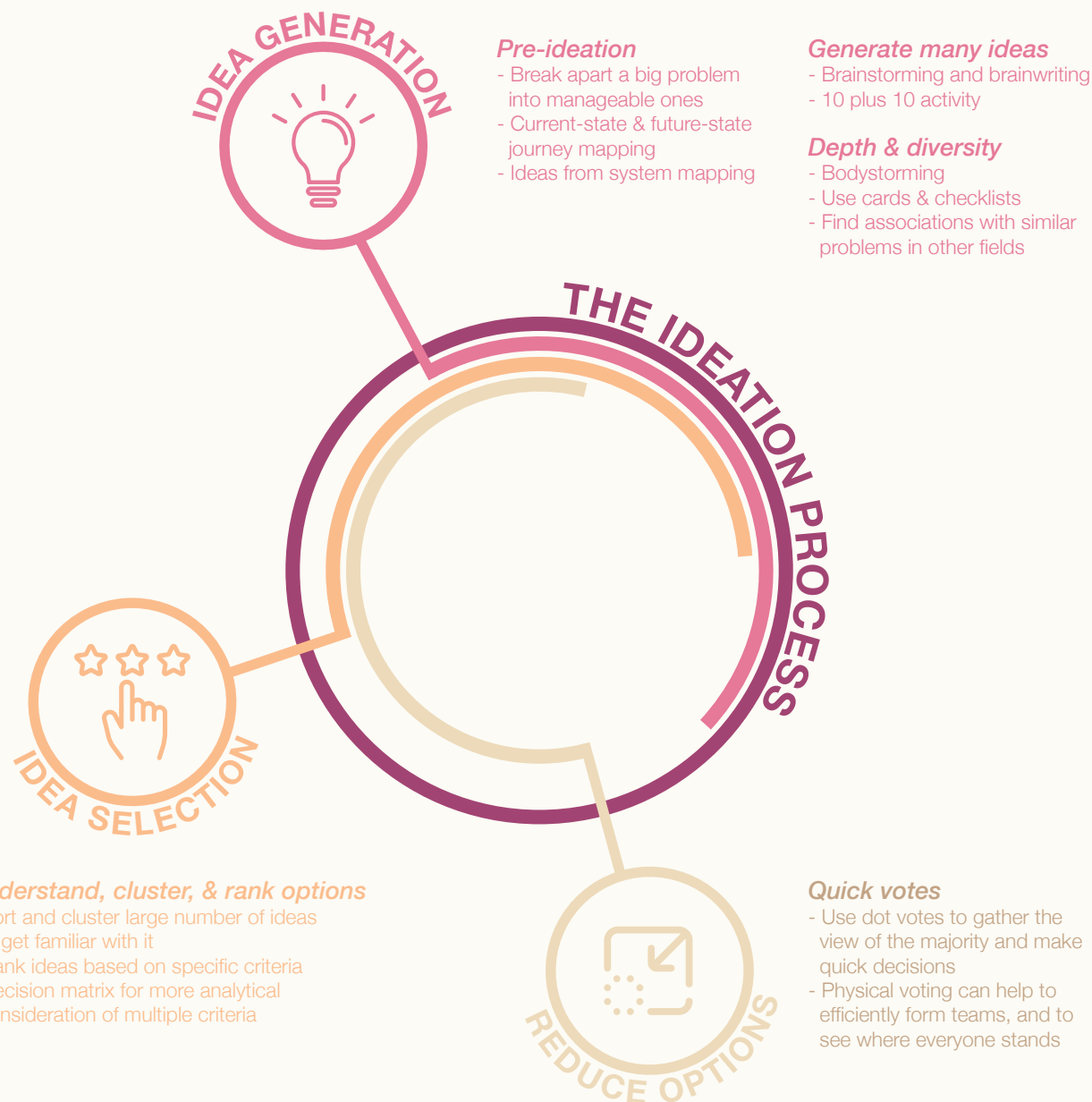


Make the wording more succinct and easy to scan

IDEATION METHODS & WHEN TO USE THEM

Ideation is not a linear sequence of steps, but a collection of reiterations of methods applied throughout the entire design process.

From *This is Service Design Doing*, Chapter 6: Ideation



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Natalie's Work

Why this design?

Focusing on the concept that ideation is not a linear process and that the methods can be used at any point throughout the design process, the information was displayed in a circular form. The inner lines signify portions of the design process, and they also overlap as the processes could be used simultaneously or in parts.

An In-depth look at an Interview



| Emily, UX design student at SCAD

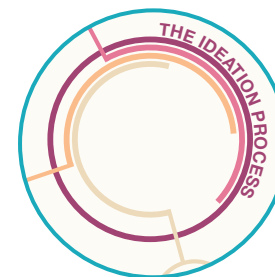


| Work with 'em

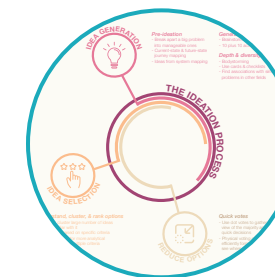
I worked with Emily in the early stage of the infographic. Emily understood my first concept, yet it wasn't translating well in the digital version. I reworked the infographic to this version and tested it with Emily again and she said she understood it a lot more.

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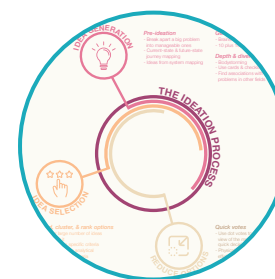
Emily's suggestions, listed below, were carried into the design of our final infographic.



Adjust the center space and title so it doesn't look so stark



Adjust the negative space so it doesn't look random and disorganized



Line up icons and lines that come out of the center circle to help make negative space look organized

Our Work

Why this design?

Based on the review from class, Natalie's basic structure was chosen to better communicate that ideation shouldn't be linear or rigid. Clara's color palette and title was used because it seemed to be more memorable. Clara's way of organization of each phase was also used, while Natalie's concise description of each was used to describe the phases.

An In-depth look at an Interview



| A wealthy retired couple from D.C.



| Show 'em



| Tell 'em

First, we showed the infographic to them, and the first thing they mentioned was that the title and use of icons was intriguing. They continued to read through the text but stopped at a point to mention that they were familiar with the ideation methods, and wanted to find out more. To address this, we added a link of our reference for this infographic.

Keep it | Change it

Their suggestions, listed below, were carried into the design of our final infographic.



The content was easy to understand and didn't need much rewording



There wasn't enough description of the listed methods.

General Interviews

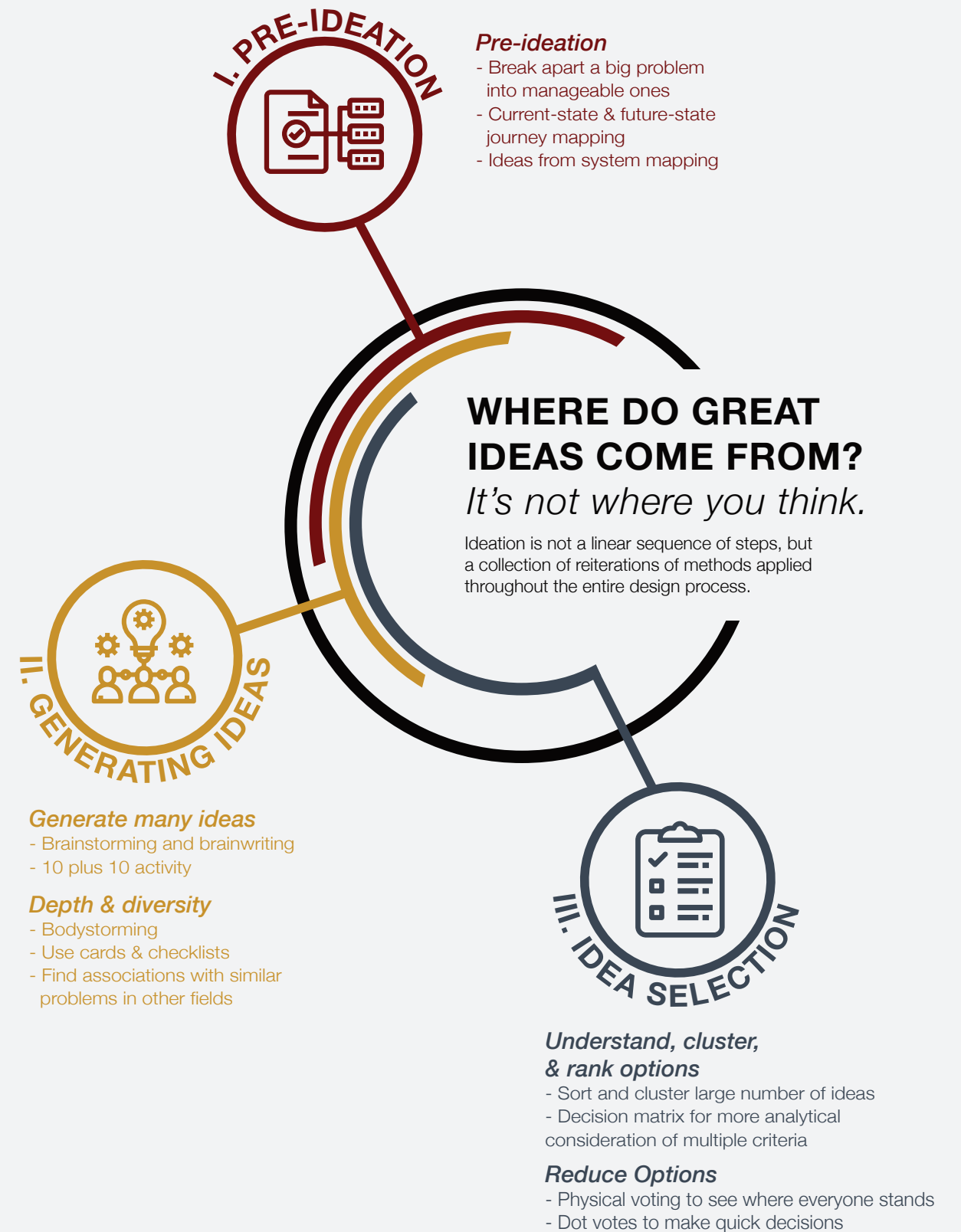


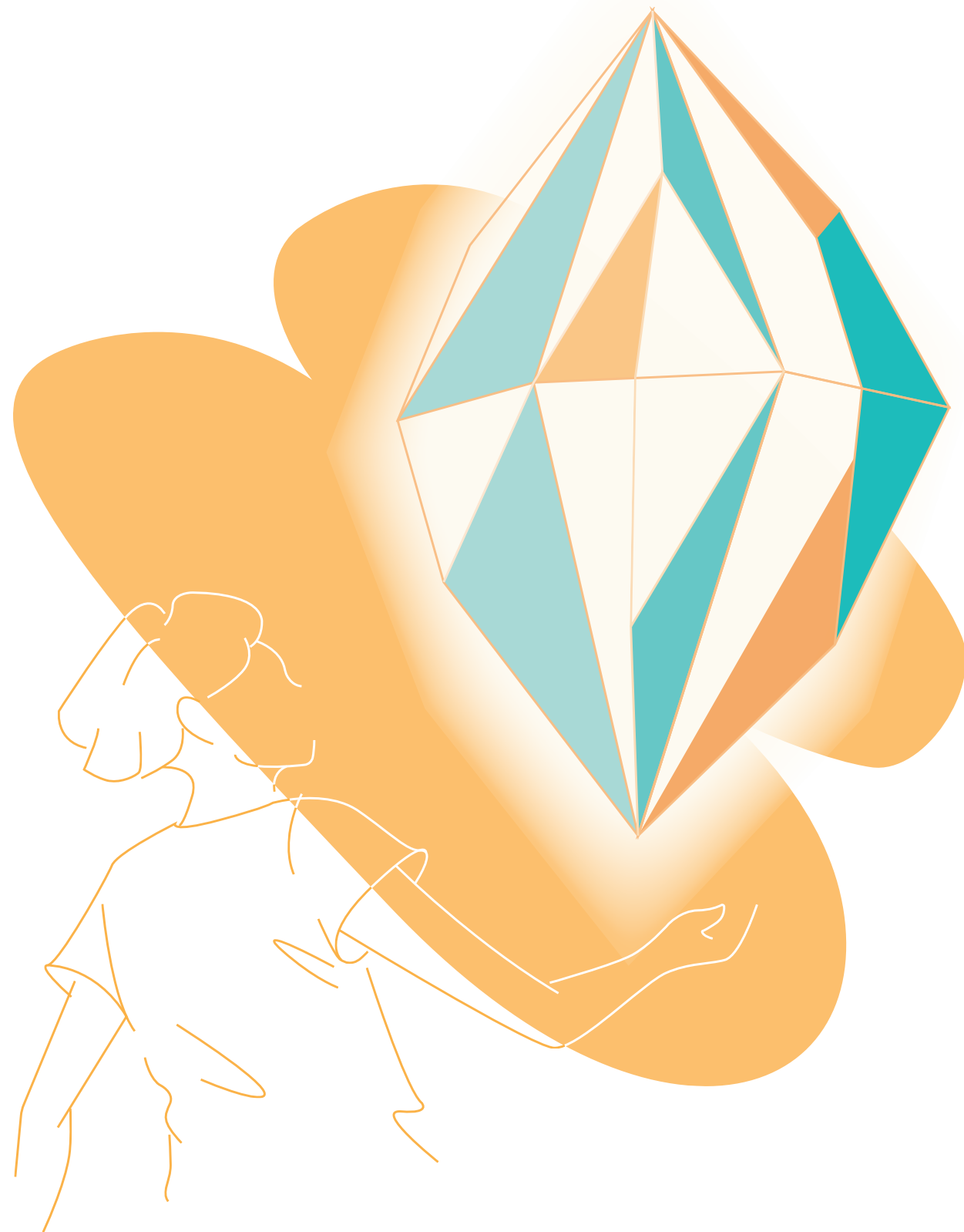
| Work with 'em



| Show 'em

We spoke to a SCAD fibers student and a Communications student from Philadelphia. They seemed to generally grasp the concept of the chapter that we hoped to communicate. The fibers student was also able to apply the ideation process and methods to her own field of study. The communications student suggested adding a link to the website that described the methods listed on the infographic.





03

Service Design in Action

Implementation is the production and roll-out stage of a concept. Our role as service designers is to advocate for systemic and co-created processes of bringing ideas to life. This chapter presents four fields in which service design can be implemented into, to promote the idea of research and collaboration with all stakeholders and actors. The four fields discussed are: change management, software development, software development and architecture.

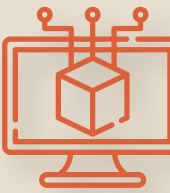
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WAYS TO IMPLEMENT SERVICE DESIGN INTO YOUR WORK



CHANGE MANAGEMENT

Understanding the how people change enables us to cultivate desired behaviour.



SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT

Integrating a software project lifecycle with the service design process.



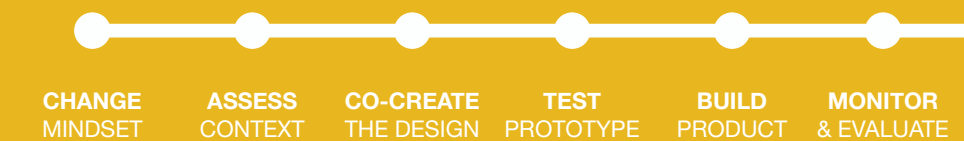
PRODUCT MANAGEMENT

More than managing the product, but also its entire product lifecycle.



ARCHITECTURE

Integrating architecture and service design stages.



Natalie's Work

Why this design?

All information under each section of this chapter seemed equally important. The various stages for each category of industry were pinpointed and used as that focal point for the infographic, even though it was not going to be the most informative. It might still work as a poster of key takeaways for this chapter.

An In-depth look at an Interview



| Emily, UX design
SCAD student

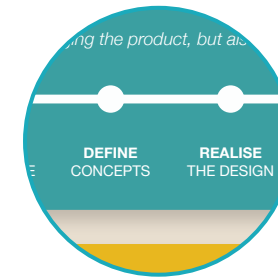


| Tell 'em

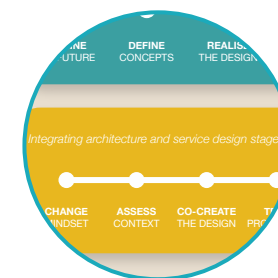
I walked Emily through the infographic since a lot of the information in this section isn't "common knowledge." Hence, the infographic was said to not be informative enough. There was a little disconnect between the headers of each category with the corresponding content of each category. Emily figured it out after a while but it was certainly not very clear.

Keep it | Change it

Emily's suggestions, listed below, were carried into the design of our final infographic.



Include supporting details for each point



Connect content of each category with the corresponding subtitle

SERVICE DESIGN IN ACTION.

From Insight to Implementation

Design doesn't just end with a great concept. **Implementation** brings the concept to life; it is the production and rollout stage of a project. **Here are four different fields in which service design can be implemented in real life.**

SERVICE DESIGN & CHANGE MANAGEMENT

Human-centered implementation.

Things to consider:

- Set up context for change- consider people's "Drive*Motivation*Ability" behavior.
- Help people understand what will change: structure, task, technology, people
- Use co-creation and participation
- Use the power of story to make change appealing and inspiring

SERVICE DESIGN & SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT

Creating and maintaining meaningful backlog.

Things to consider:

- Consider technical and human factors (varies based on your organization, (ie) agile, lean, early user feedback)

• Process for backlog/implementation:

1. Reserach (Insight & Data)
 2. Ideation (Ideas & Concepts)
 3. Prototyping (physical mock-up)
- These steps inform co-creation which support implementation

SERVICE DESIGN & PRODUCT MANAGEMENT

Negotiating user needs with strategy, feasibility and organizational goals

Things to consider:

- Imagination phase: spaces for innovation
- Define phase: what needs to be fulfilled
- Realization phase: development & production
- Support/use phase: market introduction -> market growth -> market maturity -> market decline -> support
- Retire/Dispose phase: end of life of product, introduction of new offering

SERVICE DESIGN & ARCHITECTURE

Systemic Stages in Architecture & Service Design:

1. Mindset change: adapting systemic mindset
2. Needs assesment: research & preperation
3. Creation: integrating all people and stakeholders to co-create & ideate
4. Testing: constant prototyping
5. Building: implementation & construction
6. Monitoring: use, after care and further iteration

From This is Service Design Doing Chapter 8: Implementation

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Clara's Work

Why this design?

The goal was to communicate how the chapter explained implementation of service design in a way that made it seem like the specified fields for implementation where pieces of a larger puzzle. The chapter was also informative, so a lot of detail was added for the people unfamiliar familiar with the fields of practice explained in the chapter, or with service design.

An In-depth look at an Interview



| Mickey, and Industrial Design student at SCAD



| Show 'em

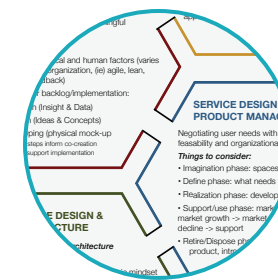


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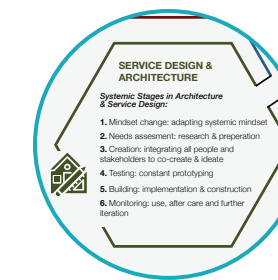
I showed Mickey this infographic and asked her to explain what she understood from the information. She went through it, following the path I was hoping she would, with ease and understanding. She got to a point where she was confused so we worked together to help reiterate the source of confusion.

Keep it | Change it

Mickey's suggestions, listed below, were carried into the design of our final infographic.



The subtly implied path makes reading easy to follow along



The architecture portion seems disconnected, make it's relation to the overarching theme more clear



Information is very overwhelming and should be more succinct

Our Work

Why this design?

Clara's layout was chosen for ease of readability. It was also able to showcase different categories while highlighting that they're all under the same overarching topic, where it's all connected with each other. Natalie's "time-line" way of capturing the content was used within each category because it was concise and not too wordy. It worked more in this combination of infographics because it opens with a short description, giving it more context.

An In-depth look at an Interview



| Themed Entertainment Design Professor at SCAD



| Show 'em



| Tell 'em



| Work with 'em

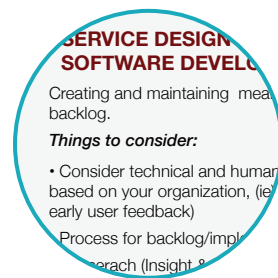
We first showed him our combined infographic. He told us very detailed critique about everything from fonts to word choice to meaning. We also showed him 2 iterations of different captions for each category to see which one made more sense and was more comprehensive. His suggestions, listed below, were carried into the design of our final infographic.

Keep it | Change it

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Simplify and highlight the wording of the subtitle in each category



Use more easy-to-understand wording for subtitles and for other phrasing

General Interviews



| Work with 'em



| Show 'em

We asked a few people for their opinion on the hexagons with & without the tabs to see which one flowed better for them. It was a 3 to 2 vote in favor of the tabs.

There was a comment to standardise the placement of icons on either sides of the hexagons to provide a sense of consistency and neatness.





04

Uncovering your Customer's Journey

On the left is a simple guide to capturing touchpoints. Ask yourselves the following questions as you go along each corresponding step:

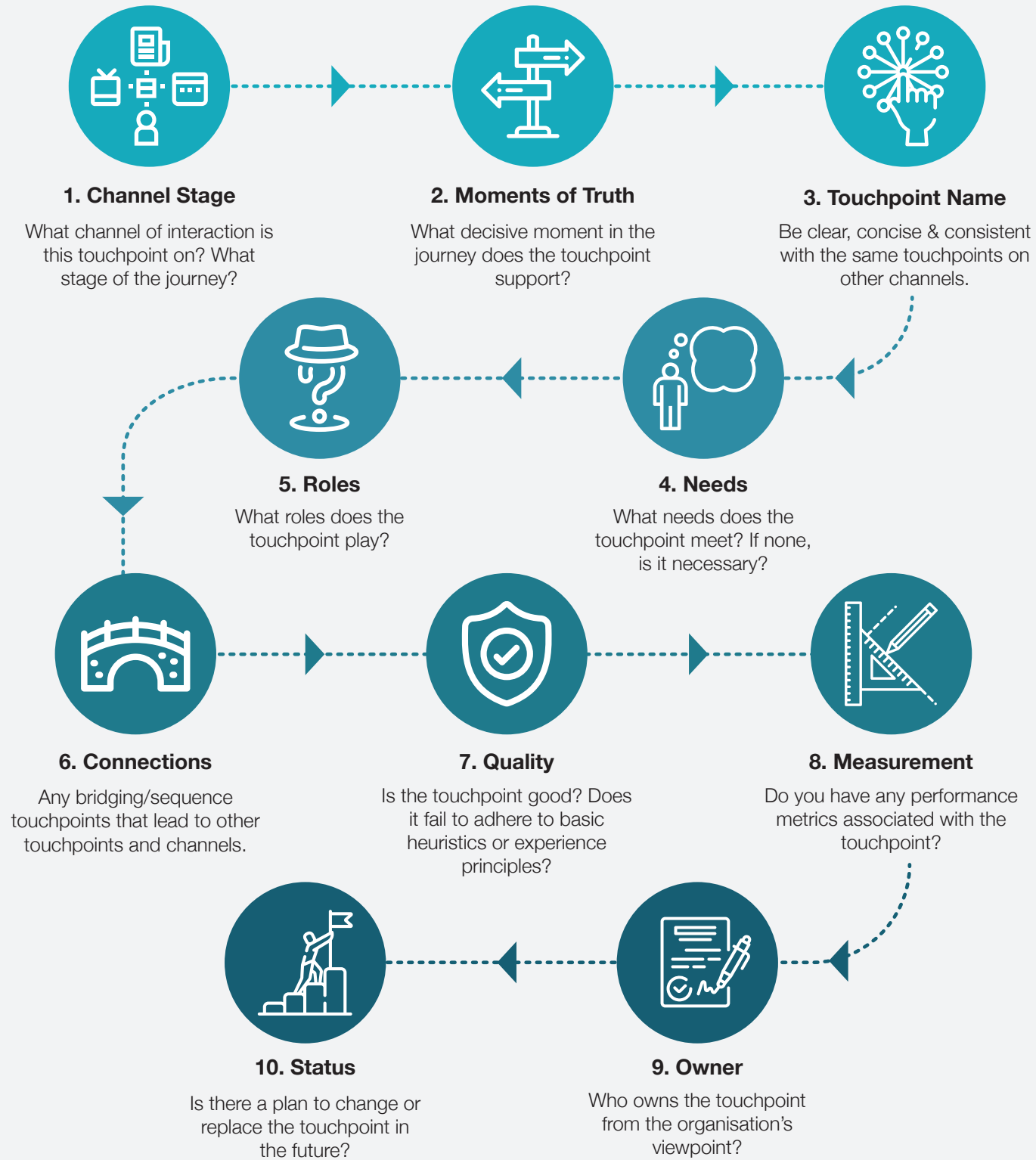
1. What is the touchpoint's name? At what stage of the journey does it happen?
2. What need does the touchpoint meet? If none, is it necessary?
3. What role does the touchpoint play?
4. This is any bridging/sequence touchpoints that lead to other touchpoints.
5. What is the quality of the touchpoint? Is it good?
6. Is there a plan to change or replace the touchpoint in the future?

You may answer these questions together with your team by conducting a workshop.

From *Orchestrating Experiences*
 Chapter 2: Pinning Down Touchpoints
 by Patrick Quattlebaum & Chris Risdon

Capturing Touchpoints: A Checklist

“Touchpoints” refer to all the interactions with a customer. They can span across channels, space, and time. Identifying touchpoints is valuable in transformative work that involves reimagining experiences and creating great things.



Natalie's Work

Why this design?

In classic journey map fashion, I wanted to portray the checklist as if they are touchpoints of a journey. I envisioned this infographic to be a quick poster of sorts for a design team to efficiently look over and nail down, with prompting questions under each point.

An In-depth look at an Interview



| Marc, IT Technician



| Show 'em

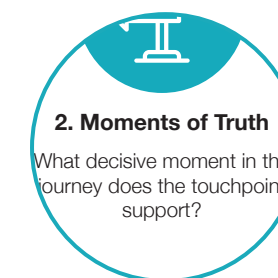
Marc first read over the titles, and went back and read the descriptions under each of them. He mentioned that it's clear, easy to understand and follow the flow. He had difficulty understanding some of the phrases as he is not familiar with the SD lingo.

General feedback:

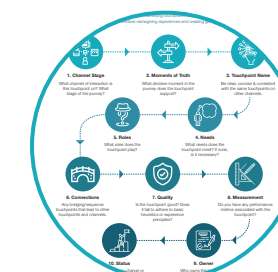
I talked to a working adult and a high school student. They had the same feedback as Mark: it's clear, easy

Keep it | Change it

Their suggestions, listed below, were carried into the design of our final infographic.



“moment of truth” is an unfamiliar phrase. Use “decisive moment” or decision instead

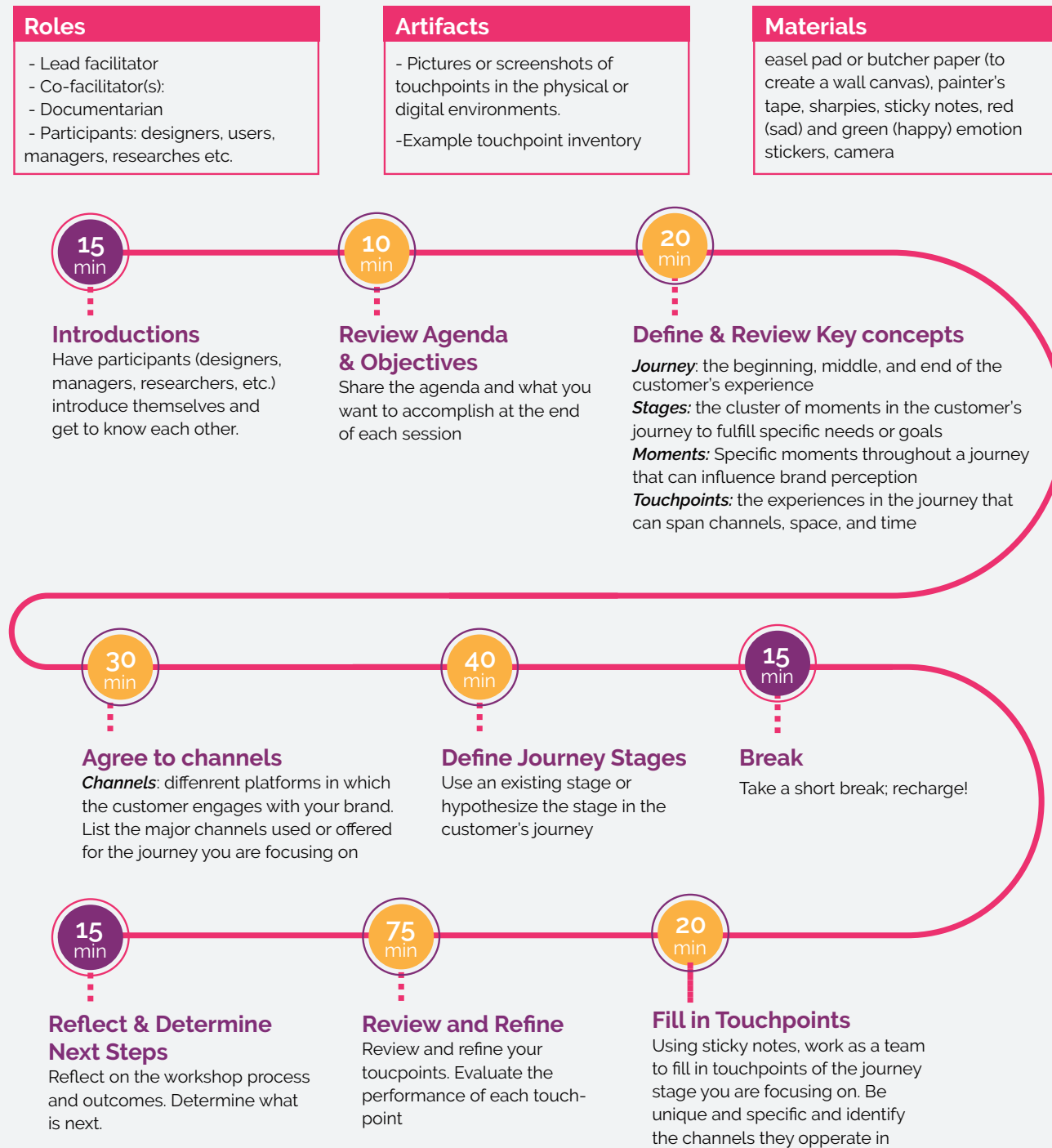


The journey map structure makes the reading easy to follow and understand

A Workshop to Uncover Your Customer's Journey

A guide on how to facilitate a workshop with your team to explore the stages, moments and touchpoints of your customer's journey through your brand's offerings.

From *Orchestrating Experiences Chapter 1: Pinning Down Touchpoints*, by Patrick Quattlebaum & Chris Risdon



Clara's Work

Why this design?

Since our book is meant for a design team who is familiar with service design to some extent, I thought it would be beneficial to include an infographic that focused on how to run a workshop. I chose the journey map structure for 2 reasons: to make it easy to follow how to run this workshop and to emulate the idea of a journey map through space and time.

An In-depth look at an Interview



Mia reacted positively to the infographic upon her first look, which she explained was due to its bright colors and graphic elements. The original title confused her because it did not mention that the article was about a workshop; this affected how she understood the beginning of the infographic. After I briefly explained the content and as she read the definitions I provided, she was able to understand what I was communicating and relay it back to me.

Keep it | Change it

Mia's suggestions, listed below, were carried into the design of our final infographic.



Our Work

Why this design?

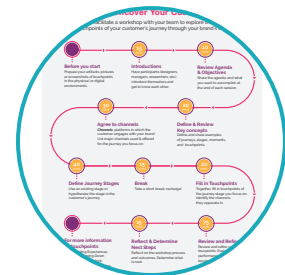
Since the purpose of this booklet was to be a practical guide for design teams, we decided to go along with Clara's design as it is a practical guide on how to conduct a workshop. We removed the blocks of definitions that were above the workshop's "journey map" and combined our opening description to have the definition of touchpoints in the journey map structure.



We talked to SCAD students of various majors, a SCAD graduate and a barista. Overall, everyone understood what the infographic is about and said that it's very clear and easy to follow. Most people pointed towards certain words that they did not understand. They asked what "touchpoints", "artifacts" and "channels" meant. We asked the barista what he thought about the colors on Clara and Natalie's work. He said the blues made him feel "sadder" as he goes down the list. The pink made him feel more energetic and inspired.

Keep it | Change it

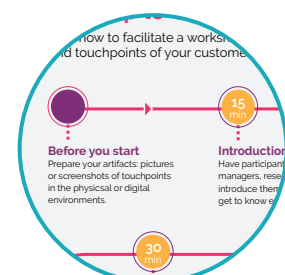
Their suggestions, listed below, were carried into the design of our final infographic.



The structure is clear and is very easy to follow and understand



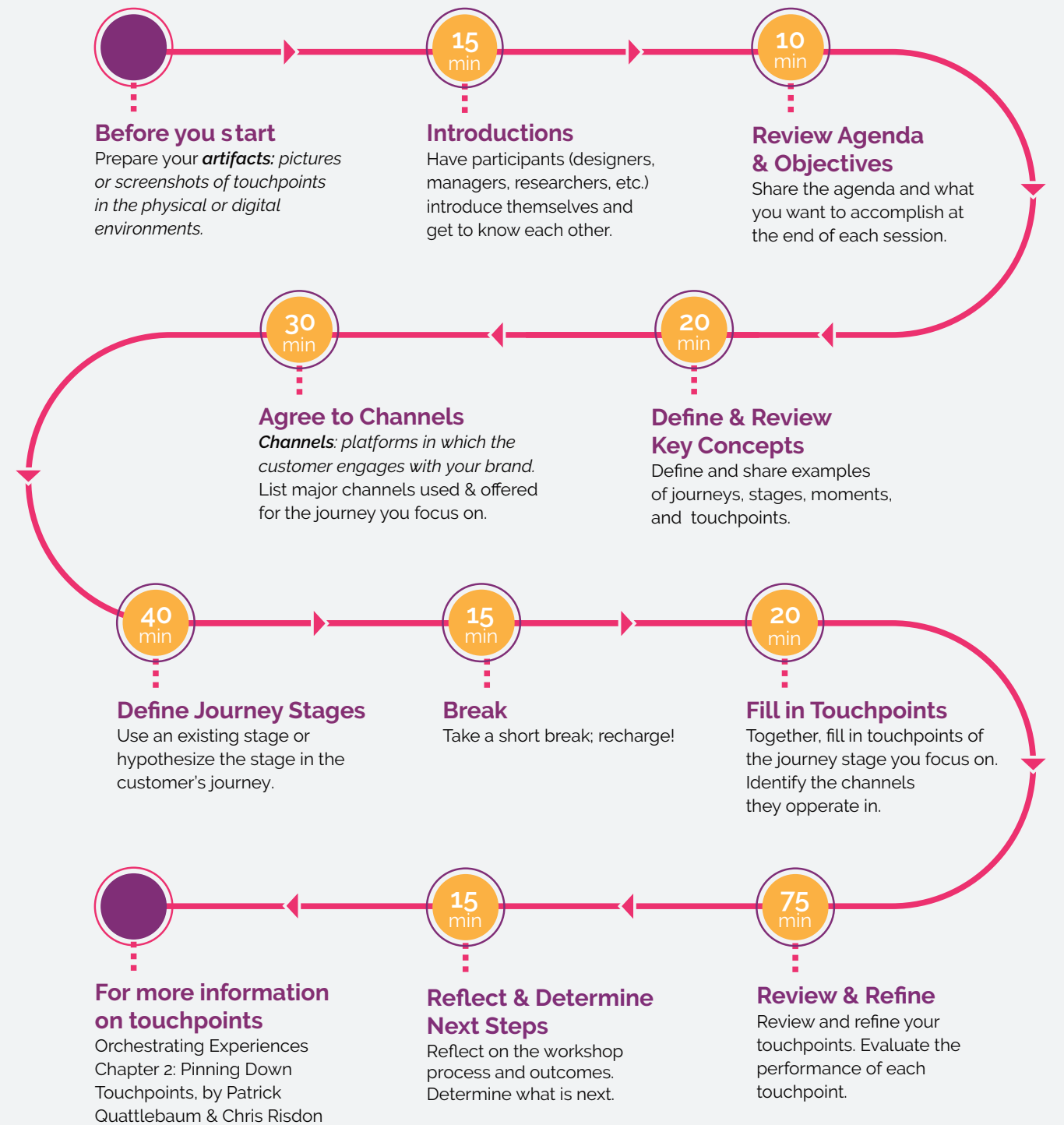
The words "artifacts", "touchpoints", and "channels" were not easily understood and need a clearer definition

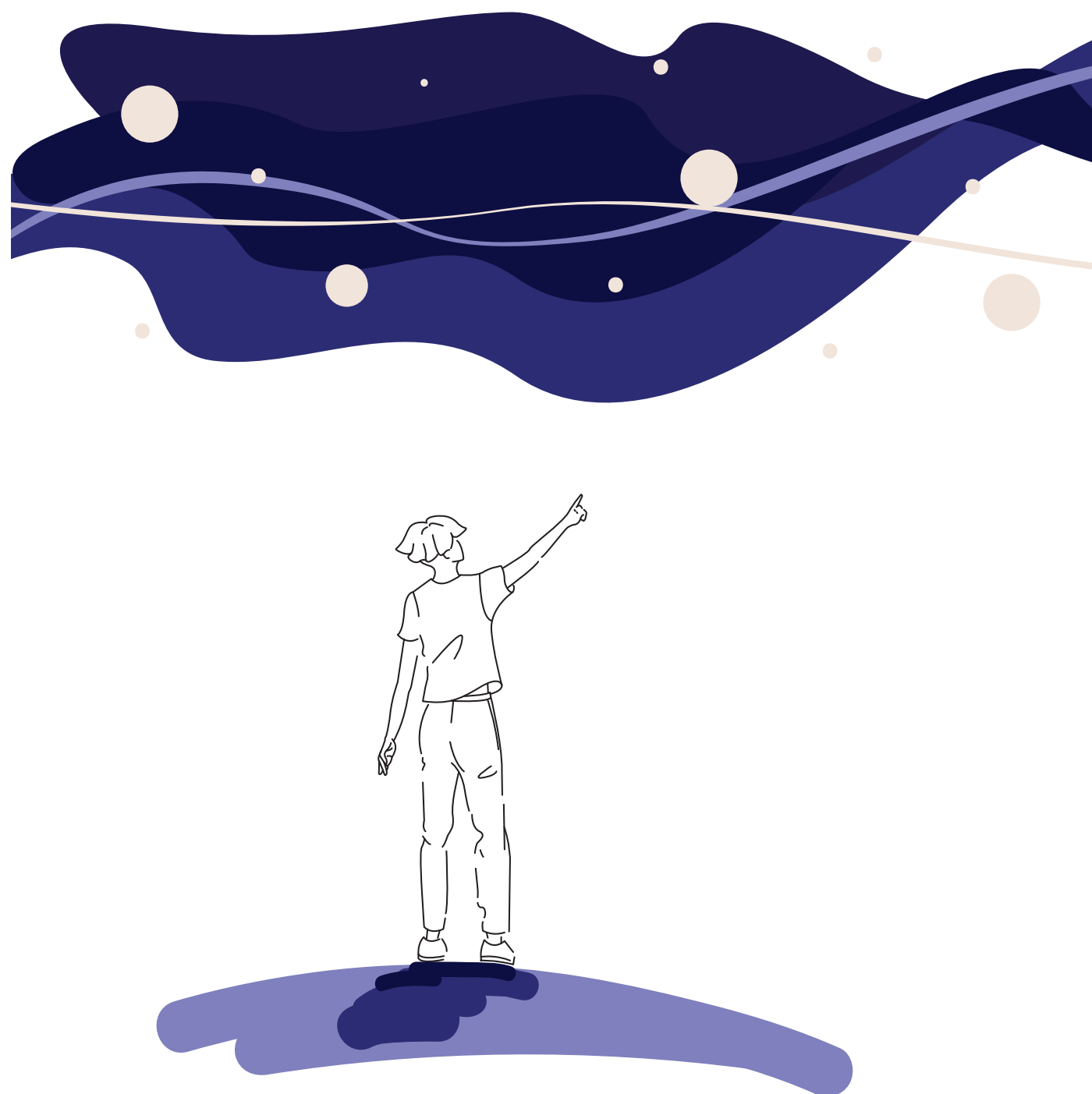


The pink infographic is more energetic and inspiring

A Workshop to Uncover Your Customer's Journey

"Touchpoints" refer to all the interactions with a customer. They can span across channels, space and time. Identifying touchpoints is valuable in transformative work that involves reimagining experiences and creating great things. This is a guide on facilitating workshops to explore touchpoints of your customer's journey with your team.





05

Mapping Experiences with Confidence

An experience map is a visualization of your customer's behaviors, emotions, and needs as they experience your service. You capture their experience through a conceptual journey through space and time. To create a map with confidence, you should be intentional, choose a level of detail, work in a team, gather all the necessary research data, and be iterative. You should also make sure to build common ground amongst your team on the importance of experience mapping.

From Orchestrating Experiences
 Chapter 5: Mapping Experiences
 by Patrick Quattlebaum & Chris Risdon

Creating a Successful Experience Map

An **experience map** is a visual articulation of behaviors, emotions, and needs of a customer, via touchpoint, as they go through a journey across space and time. Maps should be created with the people involved in the journey to synthesize qualitative and quantitative data held by these people. Working together to create the map can help identify opportunities, generate ideas, and clarify the gap between the current state and desired future state.

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01 Be Intentional
Use experience maps for the right reasons, at the right time, and with the right level of time investment support and organizational support.
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02 Choose your level of detail
Choose how specific or broad you want the scope of the experience you focus on to be. (I.e.) *the broad hotel experience vs. the checking in process*
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03 Work Together
Involve more people in all levels of the organization. It benefits in ways like building customer empathy, building rapport amongst cross functional teams, and its more efficient.
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04 Do your homework
Know your stuff. In addition to conducting quantitative and primary research, you should be layering in already existing insights and data in the process
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05 Be Iterative
Continuously refine your understanding and how to communicate that knowledge throughout the mapping process. The process shouldn't be linear but fluid and adaptive.
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06 Build Common Ground
Make sure that everyone understands that the mapping process is useful. It can inform opportunity identification, ideation, concept development, and more.

From more information: Orchestrating Experiences
Chapter 5: Mapping Experiences
by Patrick Quattlebaum & Chris Risdon

Clara Asumadu | Serv 310 | Spring 2019

Clara's Work

Why this design?

Because the content of the infographic was very straightforward, I mainly focused on trying to make the infographic look interesting by using a bright color and interesting shape. The content was mostly a result of my feedback from a person without much design knowledge.

An In-depth look at an Interview



| Joshua, a Biology student at Savannah State Univ.



| Tell 'em



| Work with 'em

I first gave Josh a brief explanation of the infographic and I asked him what he understood. He read through each definition and explained what he understood. When his explanation did not match what I was hoping to communicate, we worked together to reword my definitions so that he understood.

Keep it | Change it

Joshua's suggestions, listed below, were carried into the design of our final infographic.



Use proactive wording like "Be Intentional"



Keep information is easy to understand for people who aren't from design backgrounds

Natalie Su | SERV 310 | Spring 2019

A guide to MAPPING WITH CONFIDENCE

From *Orchestrating Experiences*: Chapter 5 Mapping Experiences.

Map with intent

Use experience mapping for the right reasons, at the right time, and with the right level of time investment and organizational support. Be clear of your objectives.



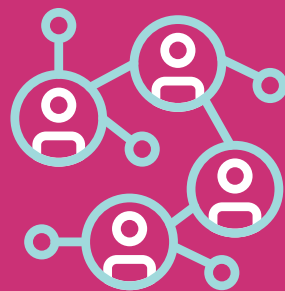
Choose the degree of detail

Looking at a journey with different degrees of detail can provide different insights, so choose how in-depth or how broad you want to cover and learn about the customer journey.



Don't go solo

Involving more of the organization in experience mapping helps to build customer empathy, establish coworker rapport, encourage ownership from across the departments, and create efficiency.



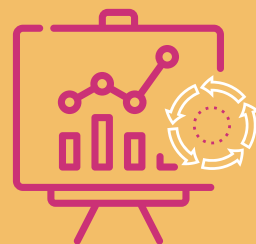
Do your homework

Learning what your organization already knows will help you make proper trade-offs of time and energy. It helps to inform the research plan about the most critical knowledge gaps.



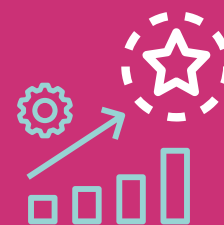
Iterate

Experience maps reflect a collection of many differing pieces of information from the entire process. Continually refine your understanding and ways to communicate that knowledge through iterations.



Build into process

The success of adopting experience mapping into your process depends greatly on others' understanding of how it helps to define or design better end-to-end product and service experiences. Be sure to relay its benefits clearly to others.



Natalie's Work

Why this design?

The primary force of attraction in this infographic is the bold colour palette and use of icons. Since there was no particular sequence, I chose to lay out each section of information this way without any particular guiding lines. The intention of this design was also to be scannable with just the titles and icons.

General Interviews



| Work with 'em



| Show 'em

I spoke to a Dentistry student based in Cleveland and an ESOL student. People read it just as they would a normal page; left to right, with no need of a guiding sequence. For those who read it on the laptop screen, colour contrast was legible. There was some issue with contrast between background and text, depending on what the infographic was viewed on.

Keep it | Change it

Their suggestions, listed below, were carried into the design of our final infographic.



Keep information is easy to understand for people who aren't from design backgrounds



The white text on top of the teal color is a little hard to read on certain screens

Our Work

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An In-depth look at an Interview



Bryan was able to relay the information back to us accurately despite not having prior knowledge on the subject. He was confused about the repetitive use of the word “right” in the first section, but further interviews showed that this wasn’t a huge problem.

Keep it | Change it

His suggestions, listed below, were carried into the design of our final infographic.

Keep information easy to understand for people who without design backgrounds

Involving more of the organization in experience mapping helps to build customer empathy, establish coworker rapport, encourage ownership from across the departments, and create efficiency.

Use examples for each category of information to further understanding

Use experience mapping for the right reasons, at the right time, and with the right level of time investment and organizational support. Be clear of your objectives.

A guide to MAPPING EXPERIENCES WITH CONFIDENCE

An Experience Map is a visualisation of a customer’s journey across space and time. Maps should be co-created and they can help clarify the gap between the current state and the desired future state.

Be intentional

Use experience mapping for the right reasons, at the right time, and with the right level of time investment and organizational support. Be clear of your objectives.



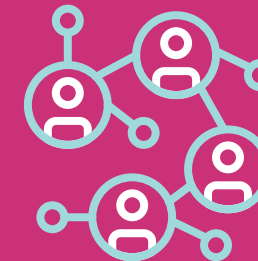
Choose the level of detail

Choose how in-depth or how broad you want to the scope of the experience you want to focus on to be. (I.e. the broad hotel experience vs. the checking-in process.)



Work together

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Do your homework

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Be iterative

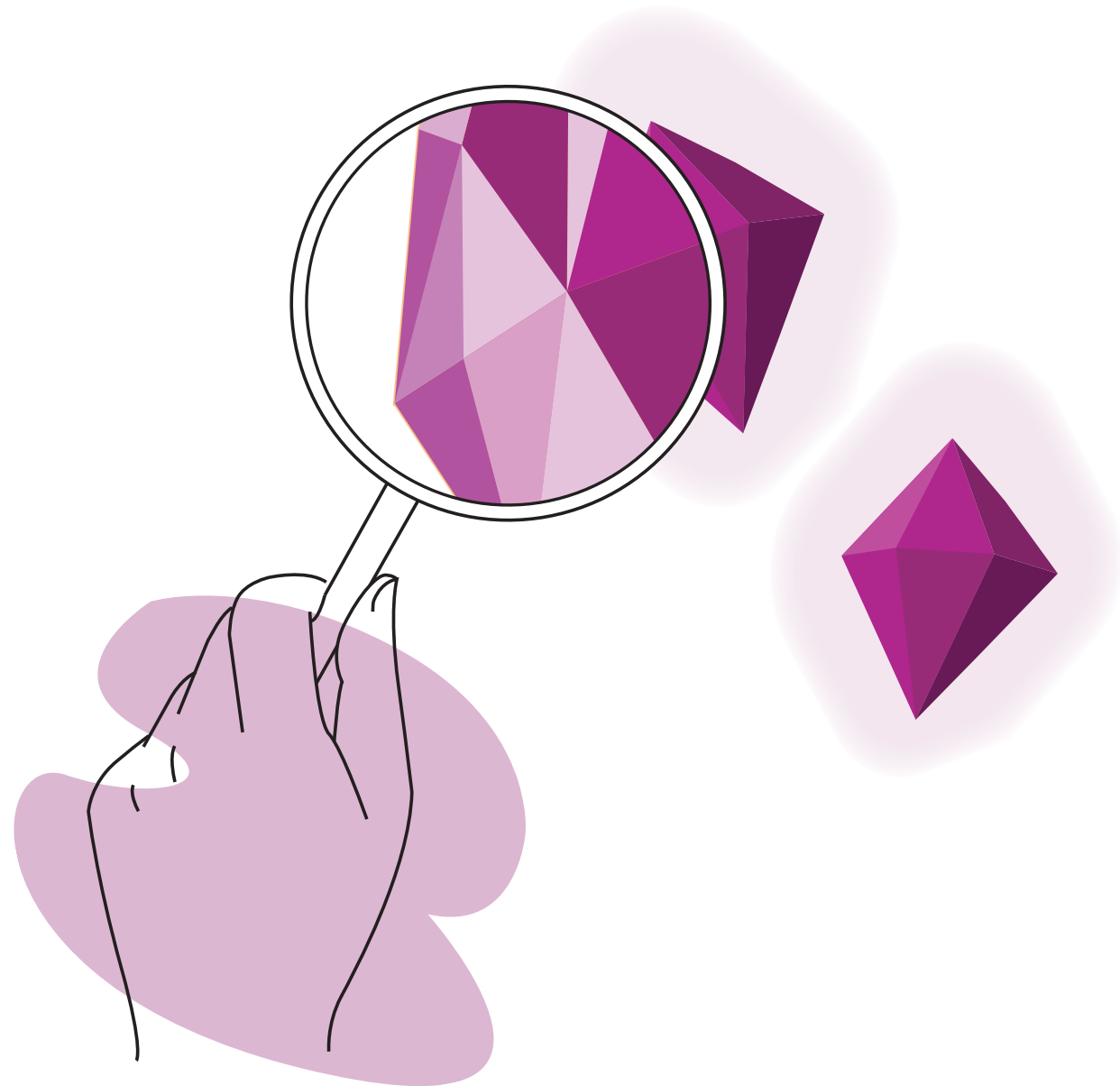
Continuously refine your understanding and how to communicate that knowledge throughout the mapping process. The process shouldn’t be linear but fluid and adaptive.



Build common ground

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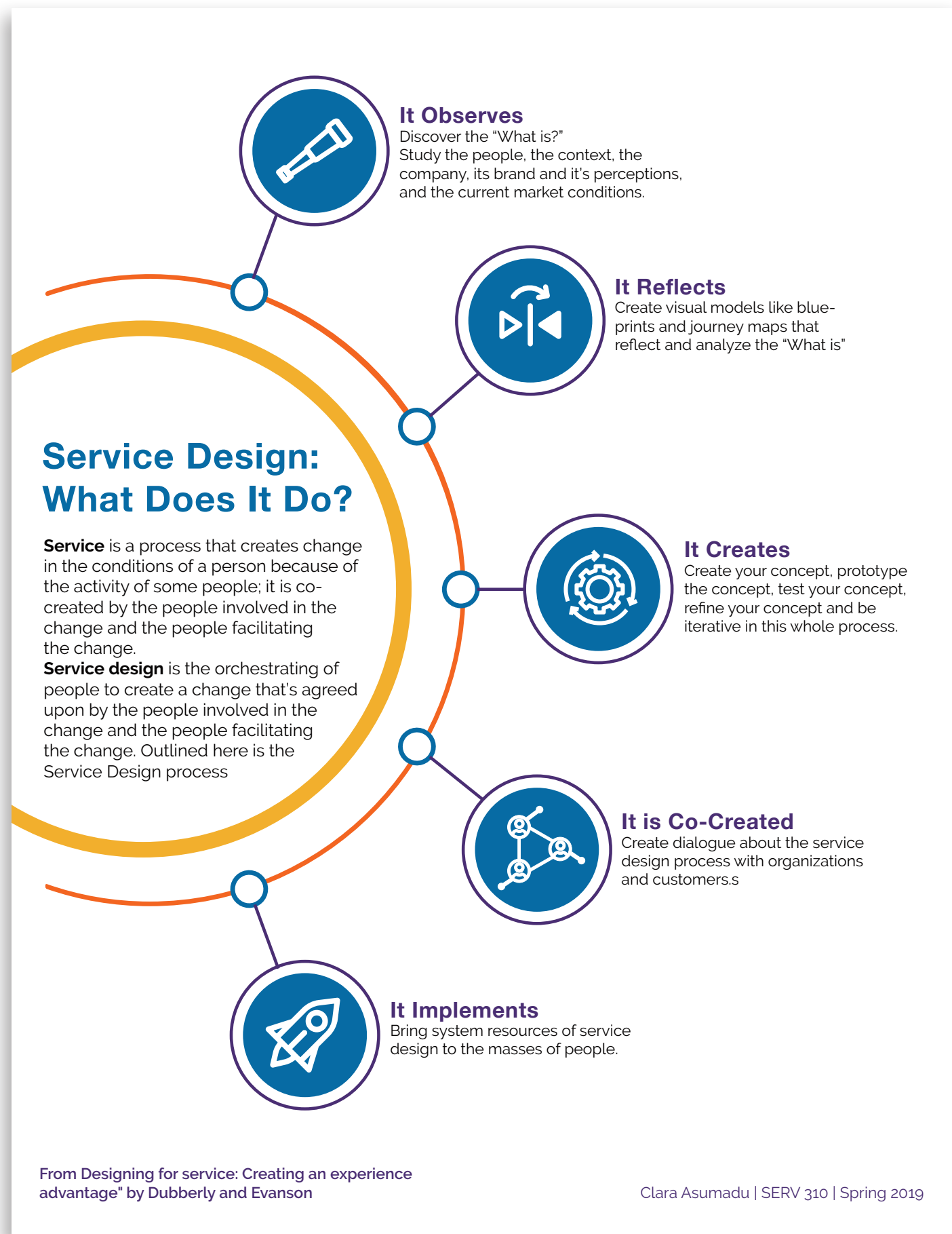


06

Human-Centered Research Methods

The design process must be integrated with human-centered research methods in order to create innovative designs. Each stage of design process correlates with exploratory, generative and evaluative research. In the exploratory phase, you observe and reflect upon the context in which you are conducting research. In the generation phase, you make prototypes that are co-created with those you are designing with and for. In the evaluation phase, you test, assess and implement your most viable ideas. Each of these phases should be human-centered and iterative

From *Designing for Service: Creating an Experience Advantage*
by Hugh Dubberly and Shelley Evenson (2010)



Clara's Work

Why this design?

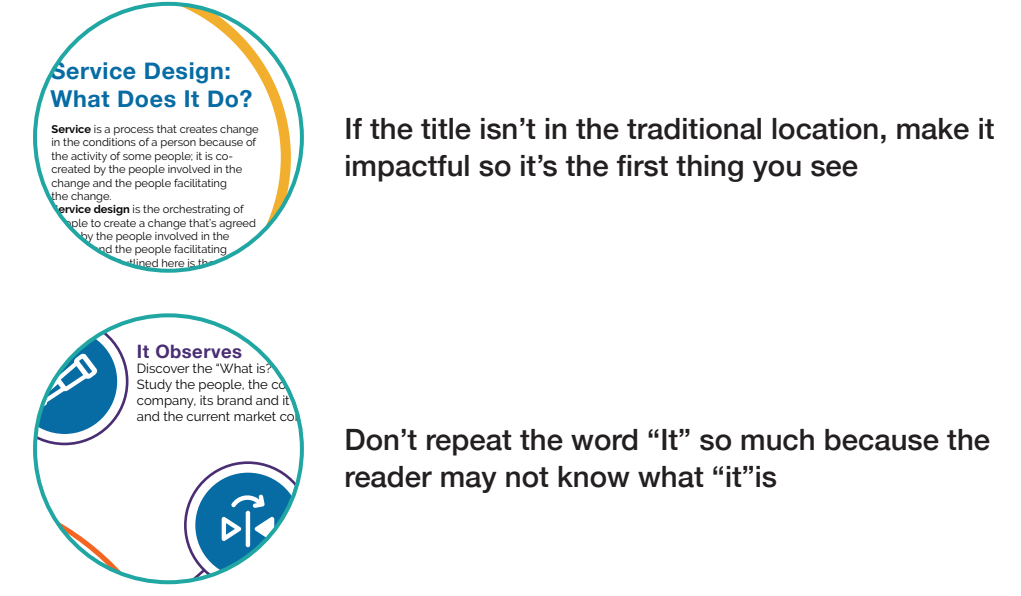
I wanted this infographic to be as dynamic as our original layouts, so I decided to put the title in the center and have the information sprouting from the center.



I showed this to a professor and some students, and they gave a lot of suggestions on how to make the infographic easier to read and to follow

Keep it | Change it

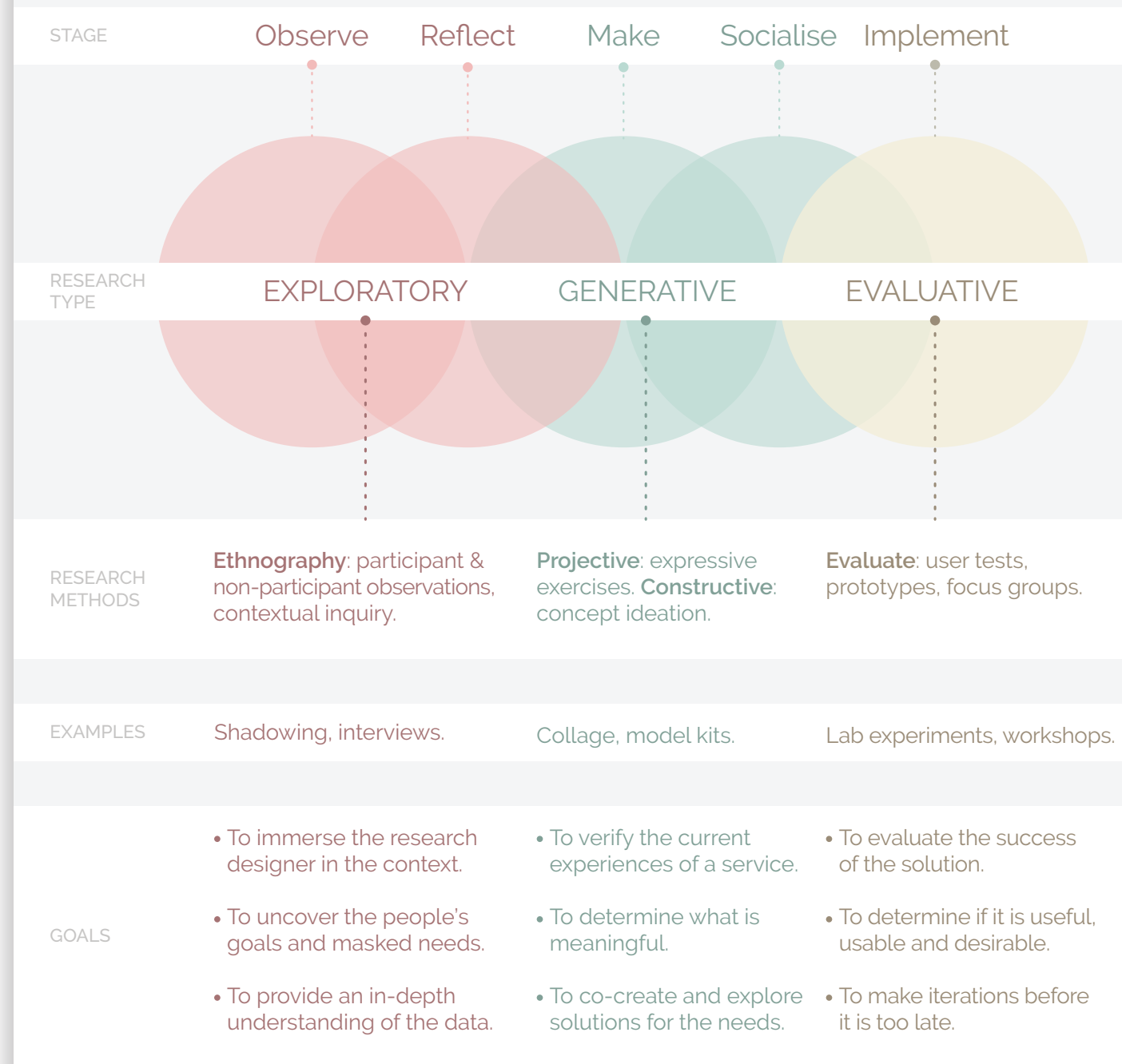
Their suggestions, listed below, were carried into the design of our final infographic.



Human-Centred Research Methods

What methods to use and when to use them.

Each stage of the design process requires the employment of certain human-centred research methods to design innovative solutions most effectively .



Natalie's Work

Why this design?

This infographic walks the reader through the many layers of research methods, and provides examples and goals so that it is useful and actionable for the reader. I wanted to portray the idea that each of the stages are not distinctly categorised within a few of the research methods; there is a lot of overlap in methodologies, hence the overlapping circles.

An In-depth look at an Interview



| Christine Van Duyn, Interior Design professor at SCAD

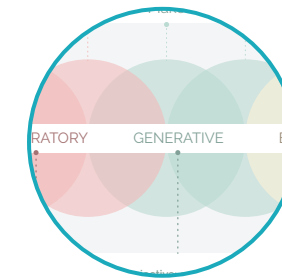


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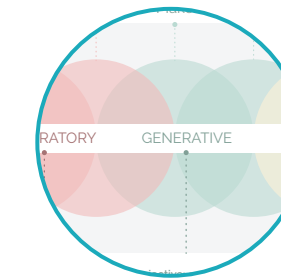
Christine understood everything and relayed her understandings of it back to me perfectly, and was even able to relate it back to her field.

Keep it | Change it

Christine's suggestions, listed below, were carried into the design of our final infographic.



Make the purpose of the overlapping circles immediate to recognize



Make the circles a purposeful part of the infographic, rather than simply a design element

General Interviews



| Show 'em

I spoke to a Barista and an ESOL student. There was still not an immediate understanding of the overlapping circles and they also felt there was a disconnect between the research types and stages and the circles.

Our Work

Why this design?

Natalie's layout was chosen for ease of readability. To solve the problem brought up in the feedback, we flipped the stages and research types and removed the white bar that went through the circles. This helped to make the circles seem more part of the infographic than simply decoration. We also reduced the number of vertical dotted lines to streamline the flow of the infographic.

General Interviews  | Work with 'em  | Show 'em

We spoke to a front-of-house staff, and 2 young parents. They didn't realise that we had 3 different sections which had different colours. We worked with the front-of-house staff to make the wording more comprehensive for an audience without design knowledge. After her help, people were able to understand the message of the infographic quite effectively and could relay the information back to us.

Keep it | Change it

Their suggestions, listed below, were carried into the design of our final infographic.



Make the colours of the text easy to distinguish



Keep information easy to understand for people who without design backgrounds

An In-depth look at an Interview

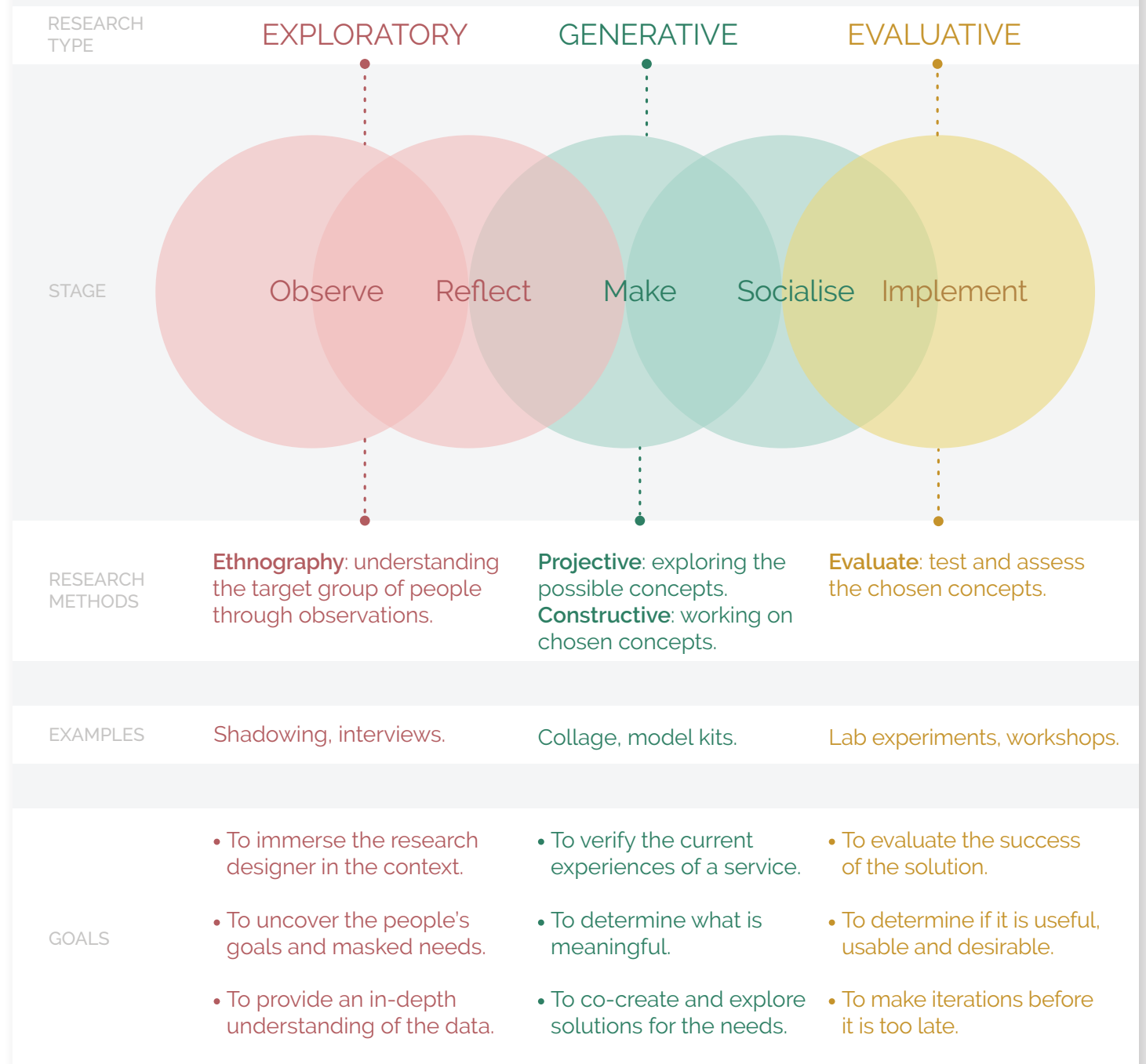
 | Lorraine, a Pharmacist  | Show 'em

We showed Lorraine the final iteration. She understood everything; the flow was correct. Immediately, she pointed out the overlapping of the circles and explained its meaning without prompting.

Human-Centred Research Methods

What methods to use and when to use them.

Each stage of the design process requires the employment of certain human-centred research methods to design innovative solutions most effectively.





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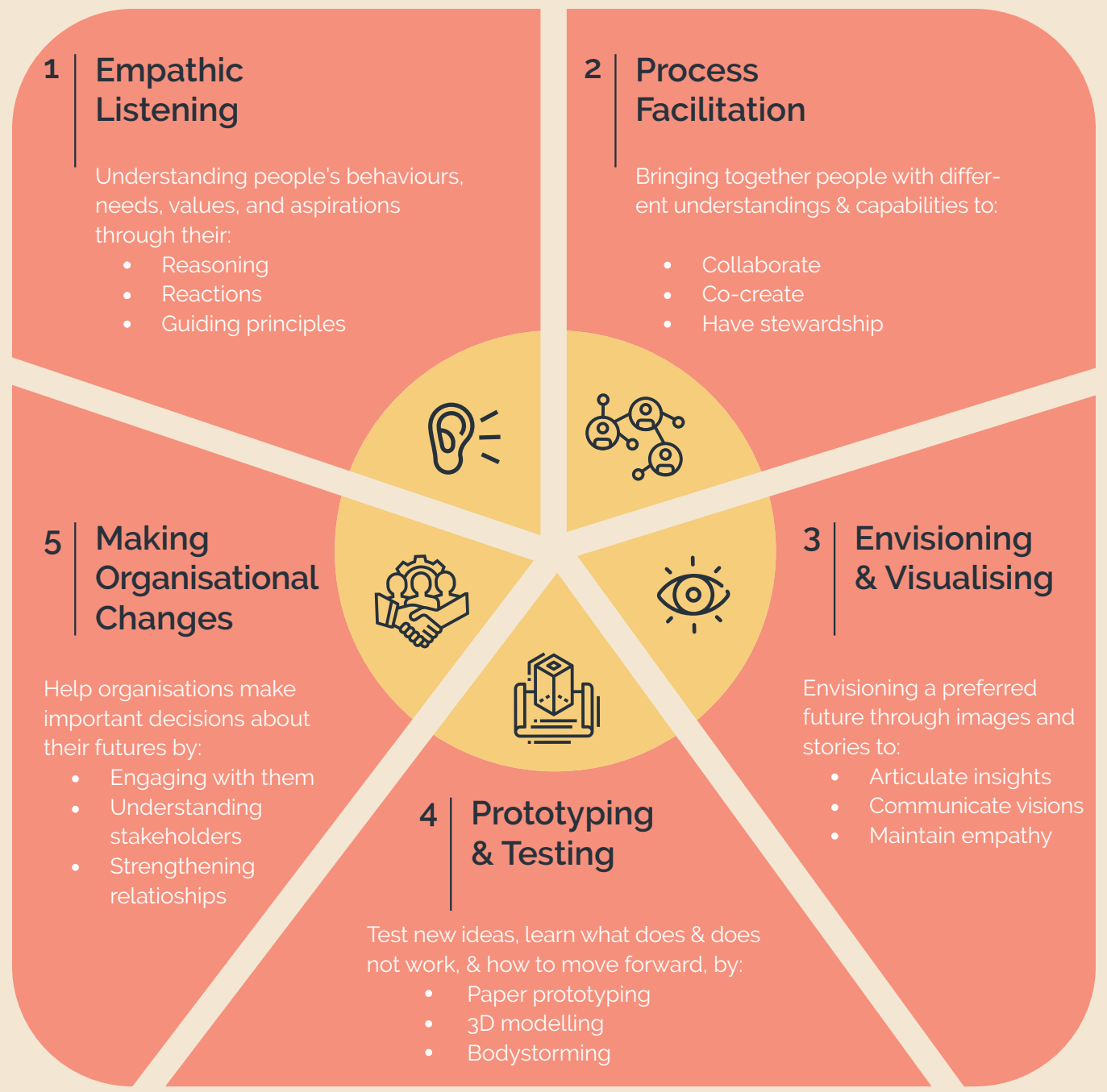
5 Core Elements of Service Design

As service designers, our role is to be an agent of impactful change. The key elements that allow us to create change connect different disciplines and practices together to define a design framework. These key elements include empathy, collaborative facilitation, storytelling, prototyping and testing, and change-making on an organizational level. Our goal should be to master these key elements that make up the core of Service Design.

From An Introduction to Service Design
Chapter 12: Service design core capabilities
by Lara Penin

5 Core Skills to Master as a Service Designer

From *An Introduction to Service Design: Designing the Invisible*, Chapter 12.



Natalie Su | SERV 310 | Spring 2019

Natalie's Work

Why this design?

I wanted to capture the main message of "the core" in some way in my infographic, hence the colour-blocking of the circle in the centre. Again, I wanted this to be an easy, scannable pamphlet for anyone in the team to quickly glance over and understand the message.

An In-depth look at an Interview



| Debbie, an HR Representative

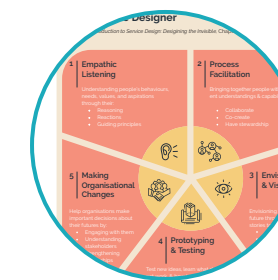


| Tell 'em

Debbie understood the content of my infographic able to relay the information back to me.

Keep it | Change it

Debbie's suggestions, listed below, were carried into the design of our final infographic.



Have info follow the traditional way we read in the West (top-bottom, left-right)



Say "making organizational changes" instead of "organizational change making"

General Interviews



| Work with 'em

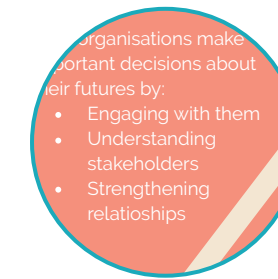


| Show 'em

I showed this to an ESOL student and some SCAD students.

Keep it | Change it

Their suggestions, listed below, were carried into the design of our final infographic.



The 3 bullet points each makes it easy to scan the infographic

The Core Elements of Service Design

Understanding the core elements of service design and how it can create impactful change.



From the book *An Introduction to Service Design*
Chapter 12: *Service design core capabilities* by Penin

Clara Asumadu | Spring 2019
SERV 310 | Professor Manhaes

Clara's Work

Why this design?

To represent the "core" I broke up a circle into four parts, using color to separate each different element of the "core" of service design. I originally had represented the fifth core from this chapter as part of the running copy after the title, as I saw it to be an overarching core. But after interviewing people, and because this section was text heavy, I made the decision to not include this part because people brought the fifth core up, even without fully reading the original text.

An In-depth look at an Interview



| English Professor
from the University
of Southern CA

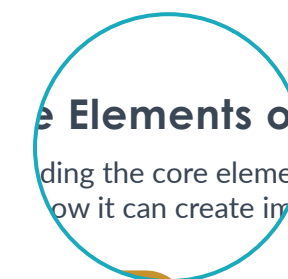


| Show 'em

I presented the infographic to the professor and asked him to read it and explain what he understood. After reading the infographic, he told me what he understood about each topic and he felt that he had a good overview of service design.

Keep it | Change it

His suggestions, listed below, were carried into the design of our final infographic.



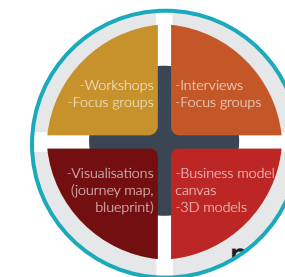
The Core Elements of Service Design
Understanding the core elements of service design and how it can create impactful change.

He used the word "Elements" even though I originally had "Essence" in the title



Understanding the core elements of service design and how it can create impactful change.

Keep the info in the introducing text succinct and relevant



Color makes the information more pleasing to read

Our Work

Why this design?

We decided to change our design completely to explore a better way to visualize the “core”. With the center and its elements branching out from the core, we felt that this conveyed that idea more clearly. We tested the two and people mentioned that this new design was better. We improved the design from one of Clara’s previous infographics by drawing focus to the title (at the centre “core”) and then branching out with “lighter weight” sub-sections.

An In-depth look at an Interview



| Aaron, a SCAD Security Guard



| Show 'em



| Tell 'em

We simply showed Aaron our 2 individual infographics, asking him to tell us what he understood from the context. Without any service design knowledge, he understood and relayed his understanding back to us accurately. He then picked the text that he understood best.

He didn’t understand “process facilitation”, but he understood “collaborative facilitation” from just its title. He said that “empathic listening” captured the message specifically, while “empathy” was too open-ended. In the end, he applied the knowledge learned through the infographic in his own ideas.

General Interviews



| Work with 'em

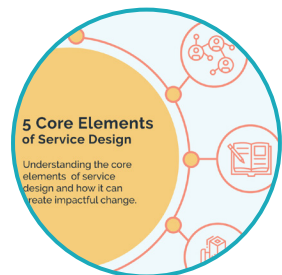


| Show 'em

We talked to 2 tourists, 2 security guards, 2 baristas, 2 SCAD alums at ShopSCAD (a fibres major (2016), and media & performing arts major (2009)) and 4 other people for the final iteration.

Keep it | Change it

Their suggestions, listed below, were carried into the design of our final infographic.



Most people will start to read from the title as intended, as long it’s bold and attention-grabbing



Use the content description from the infographic that best captures each core element



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Core Capabilities by Lara Penin



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