## Concept Mapping Tools

Concept mapping tools are used to present the knowledge in graphics.

Different from mind mapping, a concept mapping tool allows the connection of different concepts rather than focusing on one central idea.

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|  | **Inspiration** | **VUE** | **Cacoo** | **Bubbl.us** |
| Information | <http://www.inspiration.com/> | <http://vue.tufts.edu/> | <https://cacoo.com/> | <https://bubbl.us/> |
| allows graphics in concepts | Y | Y | Y | N |
| allows audio/video in concepts | Y |  | N | N |
| allows attachment in concepts |  | Y | N | N |
| allows hyperlink in concepts | Y | Y | Y | Y |
| allows labels attached to a relationship | Y | Y | Y | Y |
| Operating System | Mac, PC | Mac, PC, Linux | Mac, PC | Mac, PC |
| running program |  | Java on Linux | Adobe Flash Player | Adobe Flash Player |
| online or desktop | desktop (Inspiration), online (Webspiration), mobile (iPad) | desktop | online | online |
| export format | word document, PPT slides, web page, graphics (GIF, JPG, TIFF, PNG) | PDF, graphics (JPG, PNG), interactive web page | graphics (PNG only for free account; PNG, SVG, PDF, PPT for paid users) | graphics (JPG, PNG), web page |
| allows synchronous collaboration |  | N | Y | N (allows asynchronous collaboration though) |
| price | paid; free 30-day trial version | free | free; paid (team plan $25-$99; single user plan $4.95 per month) | free (limited with 3 saved maps); paid ($6 per month) |