

I have a student who struggles with pen and paper notetaking, especially when they have lots of great ideas. But thanks to the Technologist module, I now have a plan with respect to assistive technology:

### **Emphasize (understanding needs)**

The student struggled to write a rough draft. They lost motivation and it affected their well-being.

### **Define (narrow down the problem)**

The student struggled to record ideas with pen and paper.

### **Ideate (identify learner needs)**

The student needed to discover different strategies to record their ideas onto a medium.

### **Prototype (build ideas to solve the problem)**

- a) Use a mindmap (e.g. mindmap) to organise ideas with a graphic organiser
- b) Use Windows Dictation software to dictate ideas from the mindmap to Microsoft Word

### **Connect (test and refine the prototype)**

Edit after dictation, not during.

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The picture below demonstrates how to activate Windows Dictation via the Control Panel into any software:

