

# Positively MAD

*Inspiring Empowered Learning*



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# LEFT

Lists

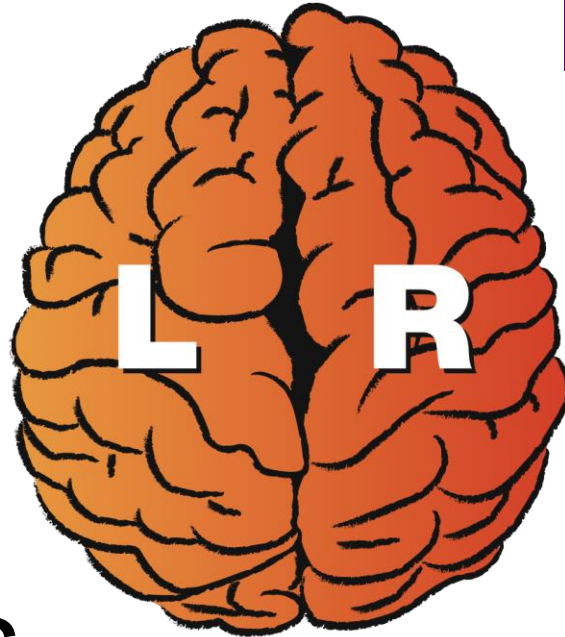
Lines

Logic

Words

Numbers

Order



# RIGHT

Imagination

Colour

Rhythm

Day

Dreaming

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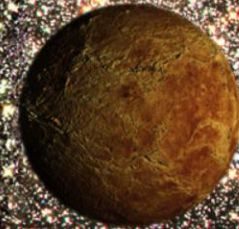
# Memory Techniques

□ We found out the best way to learn is to use both sides of our brain: for example when we write notes we use the left hand side only but if we add colour to our notes we engage the right hand side of the brain too!

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# The Planets



# The Story Method

- ❑ We used the story method to help us to remember the order of the planets in the solar system.
- ❑ This works well for anything you need to remember in order.
- ❑ When we acted out the actions it was even easier for us to remember!

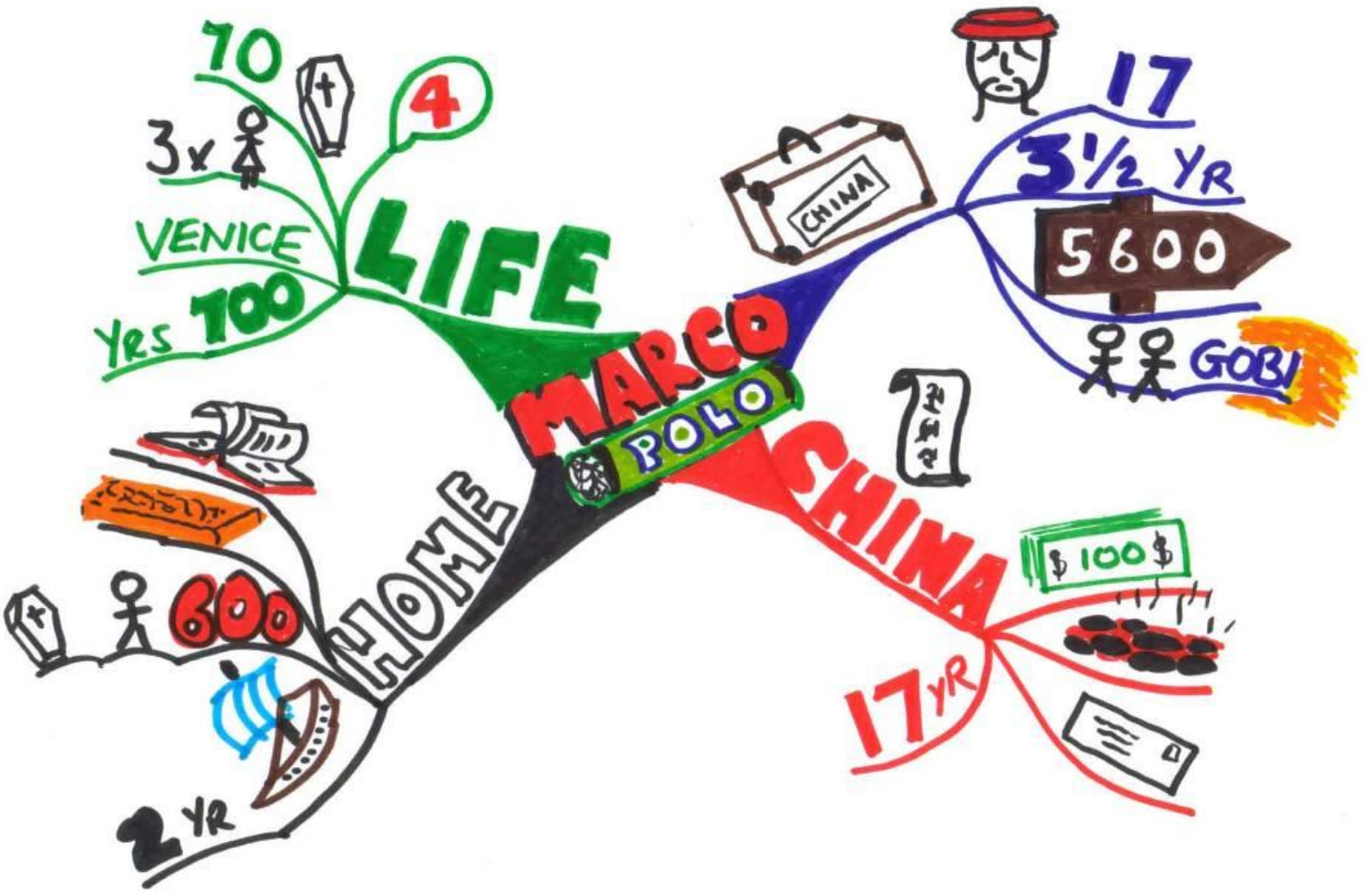
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## ***MARCO POLO 1254-1324***

Marco Polo was an explorer who lived over 700 years ago in the city of Venice. His Father and Uncle were great travellers who had travelled to China when Marco was very young. When he was 17 he accompanied them on their return to China. The trip was very long and it took 3 ½ years to travel over 5600 miles. It was perilous, especially when they had to cross the Gobi Desert. Once in China seeing paper money and coal for the very first time fascinated Marco Polo. He was also impressed with the Imperial Postal service that had 3 levels. To send a “Second Class” letter, you gave it to foot-runners that ran between relay stations about 3 miles apart. They wore bells around their waists so that as they approached the relay station, someone would be ready to take the message on to the next station. “First Class” business post was carried on horseback between staging posts 25 miles apart. Really important Imperial business was carried on horseback by the same courier, stopping only to get a fresh horse. Marco Polo and his Father and Uncle stayed in China for 17 years before they returned to Venice. This time they travelled by sea but it took them 2 years and over 600 passengers and crew died on the voyage. They were assisted on their travels by carrying a special Golden Tablet that guaranteed their safe passage. On his return to Venice Marco Polo wrote a book but because no one had ever travelled that far east before, many of his tales were seen as lies. It was only in the last century when parts of China were revisited by westerners for the very first time since Marco Polo that his stories were found to be true. Marco Polo spoke 4 languages, was 70 when he died in his home city of Venice and he had 3 daughters.



# Mind Mapping

- Page is landscape
- Central image
- Sub-topics
- Detail
- All lines are connected
- One word/picture per branch
- Use colour

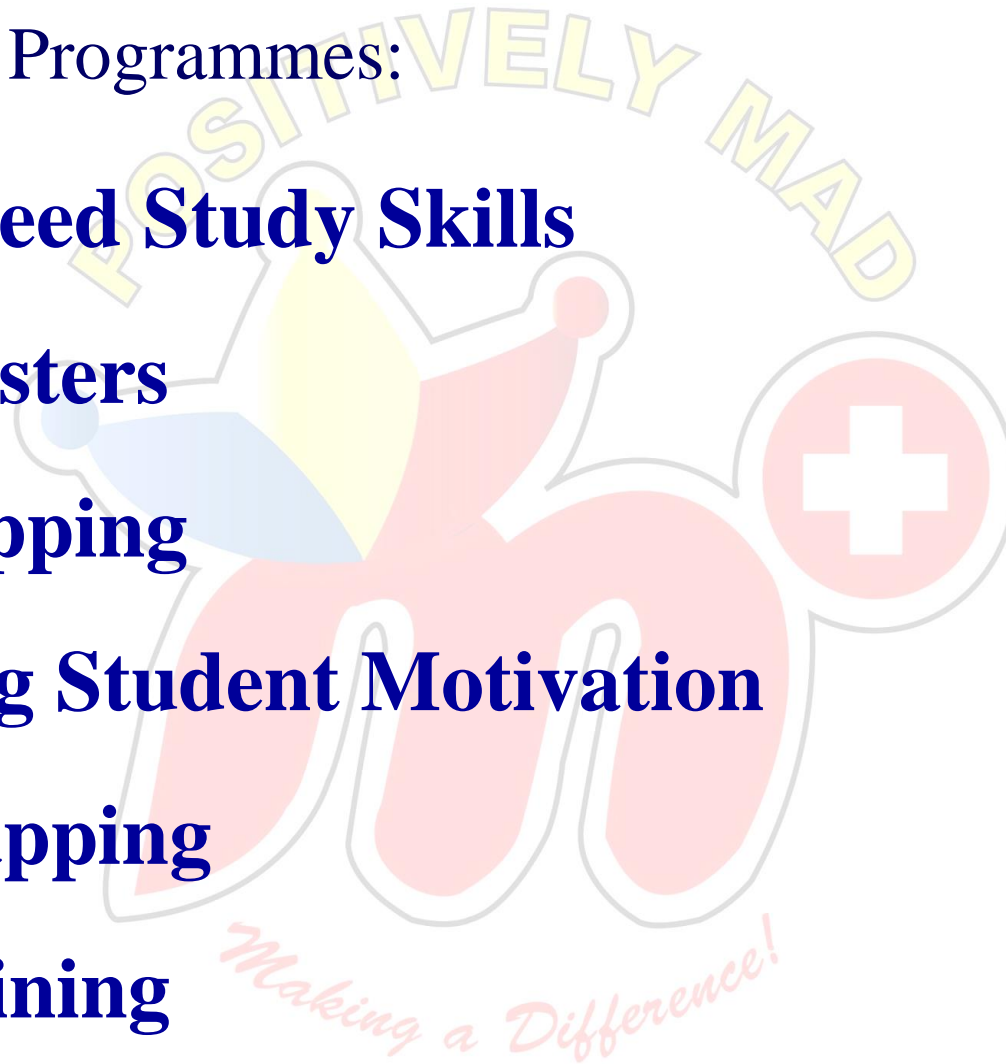
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