



### **This activity will...**

- Analyse essay structure alongside subject content

Note: This activity requires some preparation by the supervisor in advance of the supervision.

### **In advance of the supervision:**

1. Find a journal article (or student exemplar) that is relevant to the topic under discussion.
2. Break down the main topics of the article. You can either draw a mind-map representing the ideas in the text (either by hand or using free mind-mapping software like *Freemind* or *Compendium*) or separate the article into paragraphs.

### **In the supervision:**

1. Introduce the topic to the students.
2. Provide students with the mind-map or the separate paragraphs and ask them to organise them into the correct order. Students will need to examine the textual clues and are therefore required to explicitly recognise the methods that are used to organise text effectively in their discipline.
3. Once students have considered their organisational structure, you can provide a copy of the completed article which can lead into further detailed discussion of the topic of the supervision.