

# SCAMPER

<p><b>Substitute</b></p>	<p><b>Think about</b> replacing part of the problem, with something else.</p> <p><b>Starter Questions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Can I replace or change any parts?</li> <li>•Can I replace someone involved?</li> <li>•Can the rules be changed?</li> <li>•Can I use other ingredients or materials?</li> <li>•Can I use other processes or procedures?</li> <li>•Can I change its shape?</li> <li>•Can I change its colour, roughness, sound or smell?</li> <li>•Can I change its name?</li> <li>•Can I substitute one part for another?</li> <li>•Can I use this idea in a different place?</li> <li>•Can I change my feelings or attitude towards it?</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Substitute</b></p>
<p><b>Combine</b></p>	<p><b>Think about</b> combining two or more parts of your problem to create a different product or process.</p> <p><b>Starter Questions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•What ideas or parts can be combined?</li> <li>•Can I combine or recombine its parts?</li> <li>•Can I combine it with other objects? •What materials could be combined?</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Combine</b></p>
<p><b>Adapt</b></p>	<p><b>Think about</b> adapting an existing idea to solve your problem.</p> <p><b>Starter Questions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•What else is like it?</li> <li>•Is there something similar to it somewhere else?</li> <li>•Has this happened before?</li> <li>•What other ideas does it suggest?</li> <li>•What could I copy?</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Adapt</b></p>
<p><b>Modify</b></p>	<p><b>Think about</b> ways to magnify or exaggerate your idea.</p> <p><b>Starter Questions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•What can be made larger?</li> <li>•What can be exaggerated?</li> <li>•What can be made higher, bigger or stronger?</li> <li>•Can I increase its frequency?</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Modify</b></p>

<b>Put to Other Uses</b>	<p><b>Think of how</b> you might be able to put your current idea to other uses.</p> <p><b>Starter Questions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•What else could it be used for?</li> <li>•How could someone else use it?</li> <li>•Are there new ways to use it?</li> </ul>	
<b>Eliminate</b>	<p><b>Think of what</b> might happen if you eliminated, simplified, or reduced.</p> <p><b>Starter Questions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•How can I simplify it?</li> <li>•What parts can be removed?</li> <li>•What is non-essential or unnecessary?</li> <li>•What if it was smaller?</li> </ul>	
<b>Reverse</b>	<p><b>Think of what</b> you would do if you reversed your problem.</p> <p><b>Starter Questions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•What other arrangement might be better?</li> <li>•Can I interchange components?</li> <li>•Are there other patterns, layouts or sequences I can use?</li> <li>•Can I transpose cause and effect?</li> <li>•Can I change pace or change the schedule of delivery?</li> <li>•Can I transpose positives and negatives?</li> <li>•Should I turn it around? Up instead of down? Down instead of up?</li> <li>•What if I consider it backwards?</li> <li>•What if I try doing the exact opposite of what I originally intended?</li> </ul>	