

Writing process

- Thinking
- Organizing
- Writing
- Revising

Thinking – Brainstorming

- Think of as many ideas as possible about your topic.
- Note ideas as they come to you.
- Don't try to judge, limit, or correct them. You will do that later.

Thinking – Brainstorming

- Pattern one: Make a list.
 - Write your topic sentence.
 - Think of any ideas you can related to the topic.
 - Write down the ideas as you think of them.
 - Don't worry if they are good, bad, useful, or silly. You will choose the good ones later.

Thinking – Brainstorming

Life in Australia seems different from in Japan.

Australia

hot in January “ice block”

nibbles Vegemite McDonalds

barbecue lamb travel Sri Lanka

samosas curry “what’s for tea”

Vegemite on toast



Thinking – Brainstorming

Life in Australia seems different from life in Japan.

1. Seasons

- A. Australia hot in January
- B. Japan cold in January

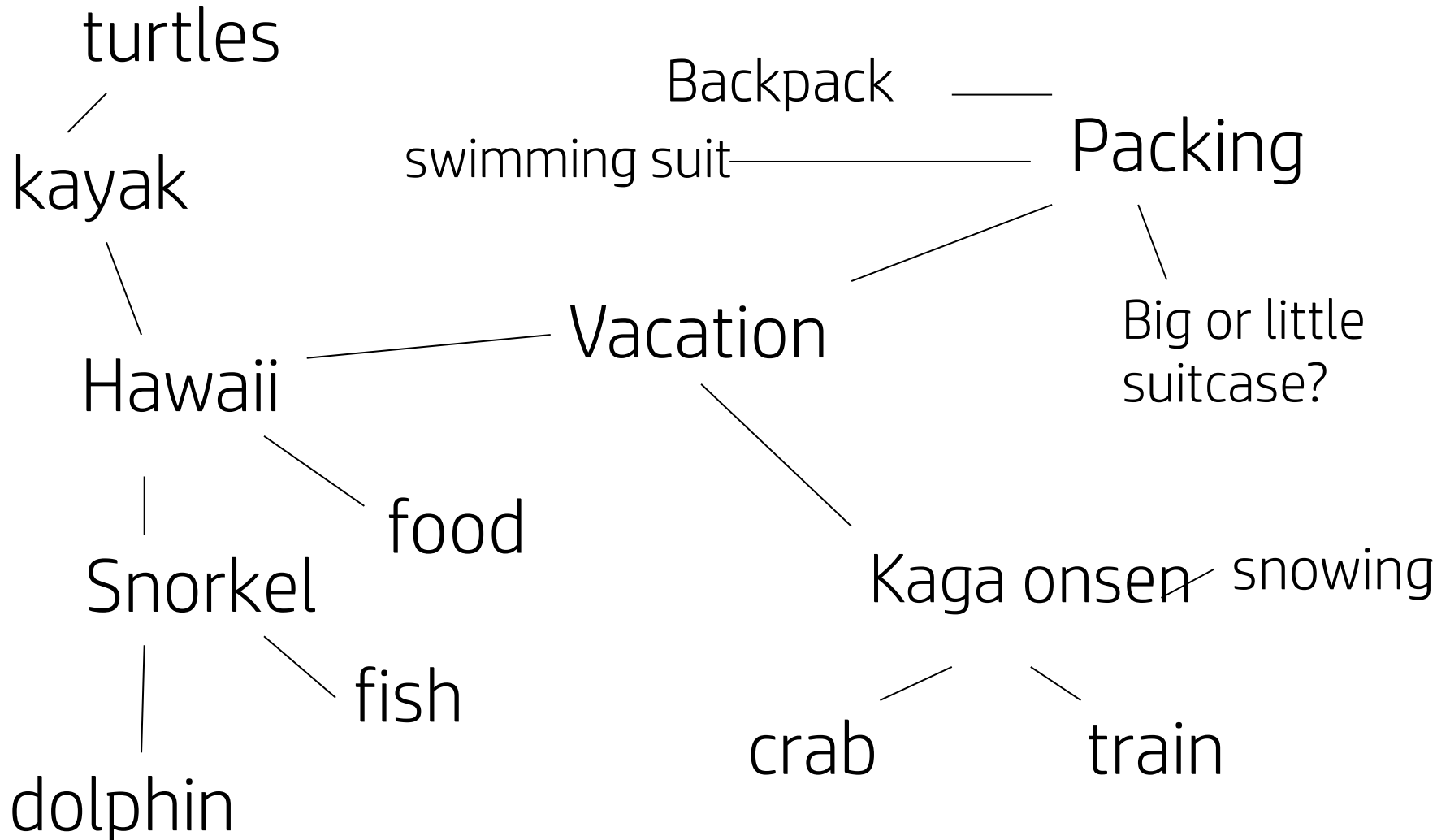
2. Food

- A. nibbles
- B. barbecued lamb
- C. samosas
- D. Vegemite

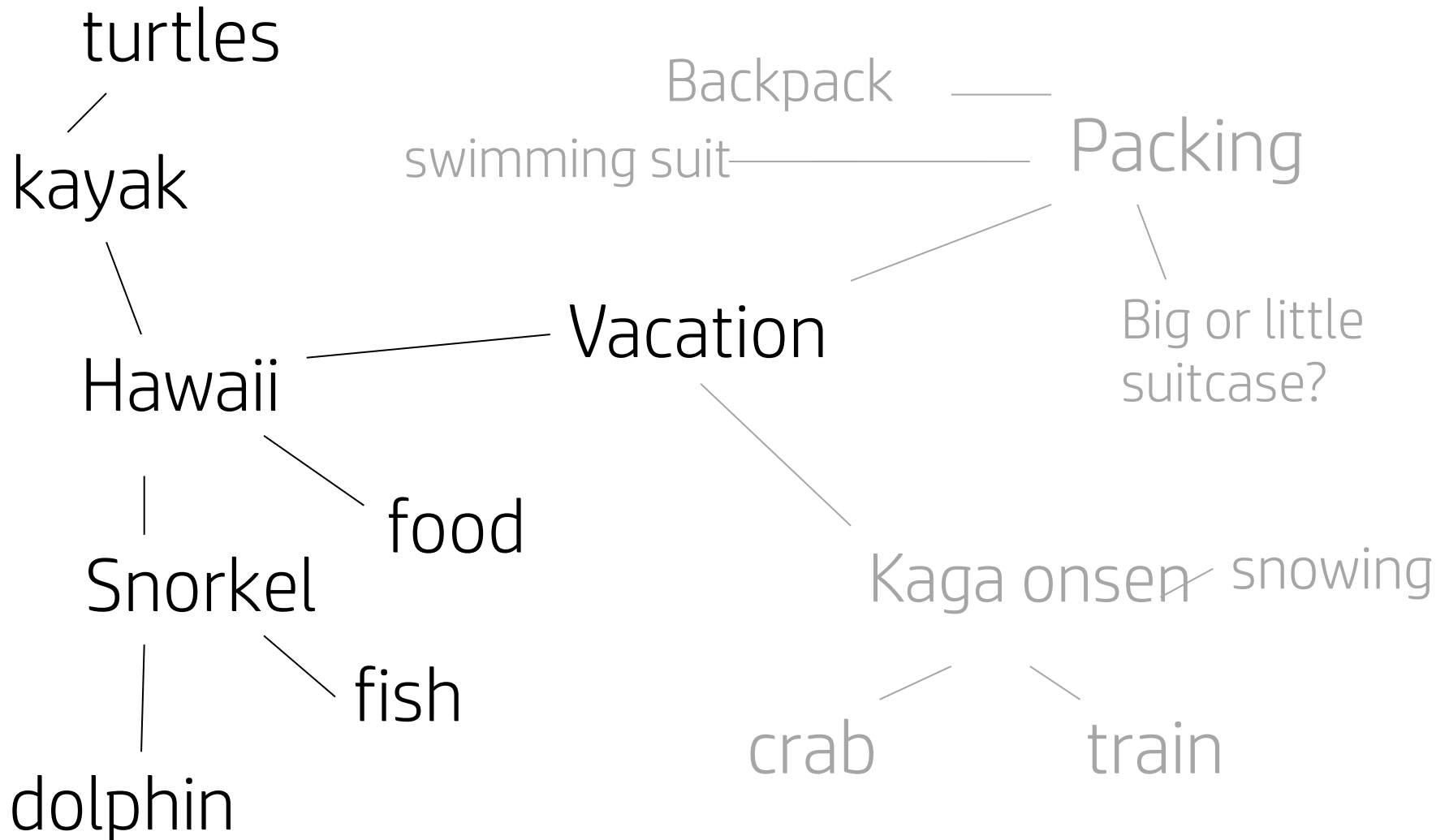
Thinking – Brainstorming

- Pattern two: Bubble diagram
 - Write your general topic.
 - Think of ideas related to the topic.
 - Write them down with a line showing connection to the topic.
 - Think of ideas related to those ideas.
 - Write them down lines showing connections.
 - Don't worry about order; you can jump around.

Thinking – Brainstorming



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- Pattern three: free writing
 - Write your topic sentence.
 - Write whatever ideas come into your mind next.
 - Don't stop writing for five minutes.
 - Don't worry about grammar or spelling.
 - Don't worry if your ideas are good or bad, just keep writing.

Thinking – Brainstorming

The best age to get married is thirty years old. Why? I'm not sure. I was thirty-one when I got married. Thirty years old is old enough to have a job and some money. I didn't have much money, but oh well, some people have money. Thirty years old. Thirty years old. Young enough to have children. Oh, but if you are a woman maybe it's too old? Not too old, but getting older. Thirty is too old to start wanting to get married, but maybe not too old to actually get married.

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Organizing – Outline

- After you brainstorm, collect the ideas you want to include in your paragraph.
- Decide what will come first, later, and last.
 - Choose an order that makes sense to you.
 - Do things happen in some order?
 - Are there similar ideas you can put together?
- Write an outline.

Organizing – Outline

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**Similar ideas
together**

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**New ideas, new
section**

Organizing – Outline

You can make pie if you follow some steps.

1. Crust

- a. flour b. butter
- c. water d. not over-mixed

I make this first.

2. Filling

- a. apple b. strawberry
- c. rhubarb

I add this later.

3. Bake

- a. 170° for 40 minutes
- b. golden brown and delicious

I do this last.