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KEY STAGE

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LEVELS

4–6

Year 8 English test

Writing test prompts

First name _____

Last name _____

Class _____

Date _____

Remember

- You have **1 hour and 10 minutes** to complete this test:
 - 45 minutes** for the longer writing task, including up to **10 minutes** of planning time
 - 25 minutes** for the shorter writing task, including up to **5 minutes** of planning time.
- Ask your teacher if you are not sure what to do.

Longer writing task: That Reminds Me ...

You should spend **45 minutes** on this task.

That Reminds Me ...

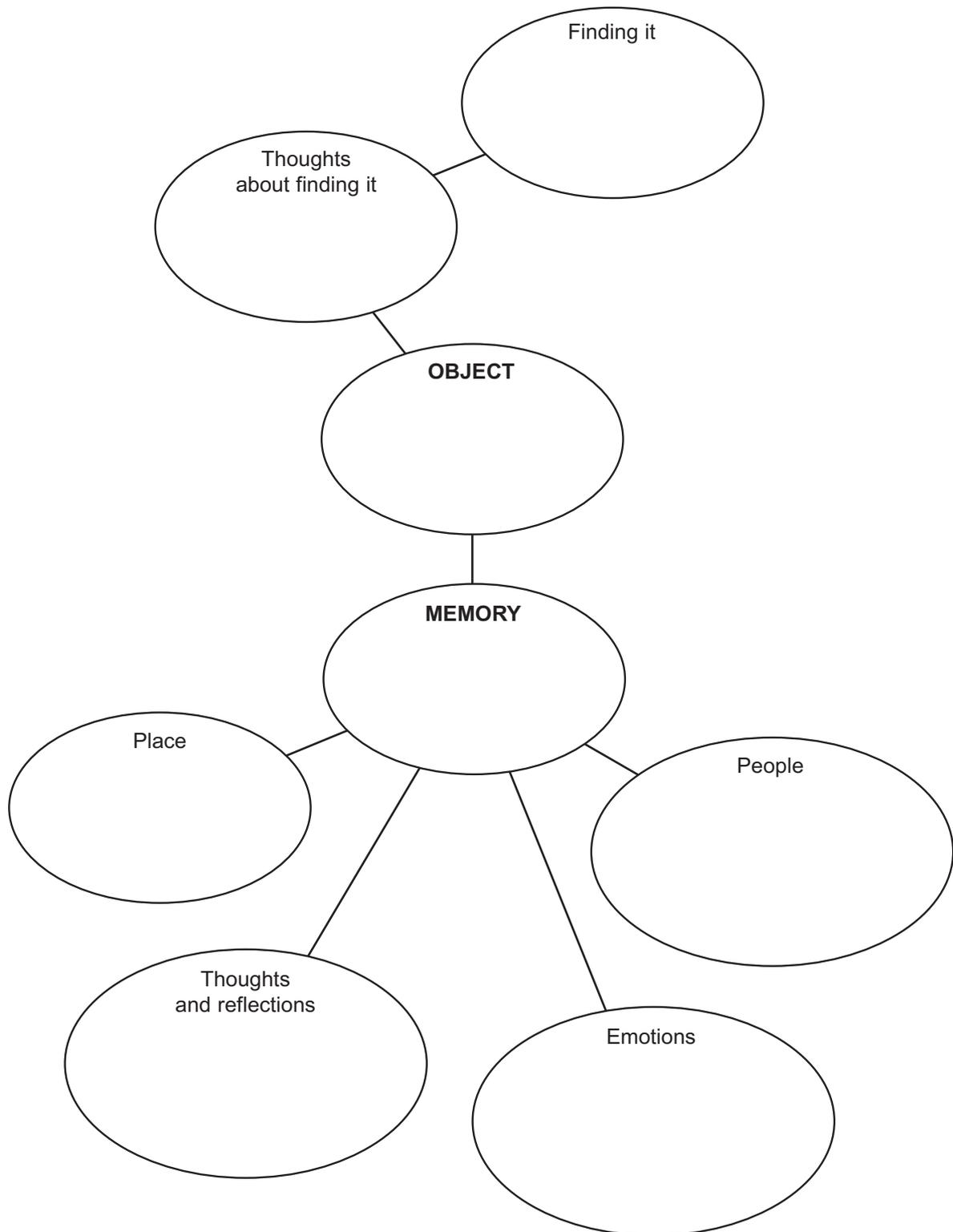
In the story you read in your reading booklet, the narrator found objects in the attic that reminded him of his past. Imagine that you find an object that reminds you of your past.

Your task:

Write a personal account based on finding an object that brings back a memory from your past.

You can make up the details.

Planning: note down key ideas



Shorter writing task: Time Capsule

You should spend **25 minutes** on this task.

Time Capsule

Imagine your school is burying a time capsule that will be dug up in 100 years' time. The capsule should contain objects to help people in the future understand how we live today.

Here are some of the things suggested for the time capsule.

An MP3 player

A letter written by a grandfather about how life has changed

DVD of a walk by a stream in the country

A pair of trainers

Photographs of a theme park ride

Your task:

Choose the *two* suggestions that you think are best to help people in the future understand how we live now. For each one, write a paragraph reviewing your choice and commenting on the reasons for it.

Start by ticking the **two** objects you have chosen.