

Personal Community Maps

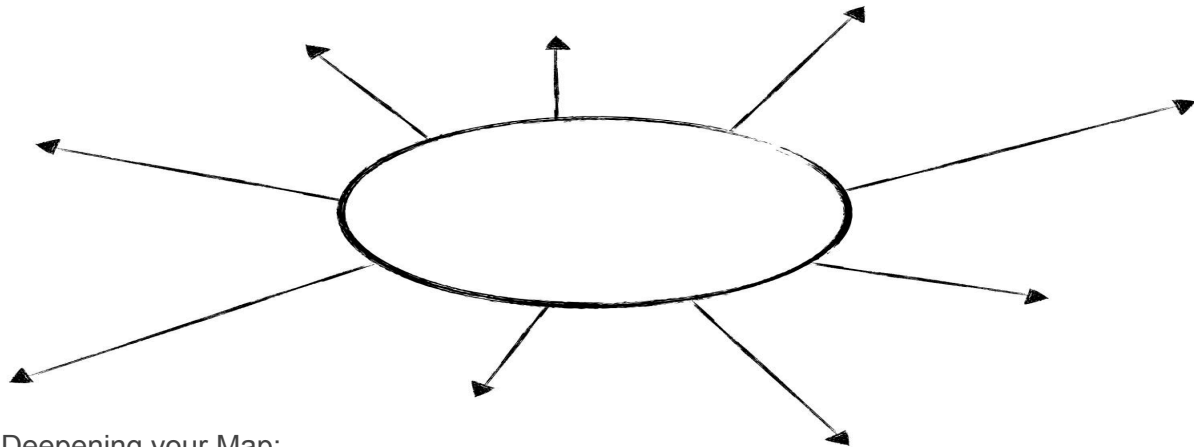
We are all a part of many communities, networks and groups. These can be in-person, online, identity based or practice based, or any other thing that draws people together. The practice of drawing our Personal Community Maps helps us highlight what often goes unnoticed - that we are all very interconnected and have sprawling networks we can draw on.

Some groups can be really obvious...	Others can be less clear...	Some groups are online...	Some we are on the edges of...
Workplace	The people you see on your daily commute	Discord Servers	Maybe you are a new parent but haven't engaged with any groups yet
School / University		Whatsapp Groups	
Sports Teams	The group that frequents the local cafe	Social Media Communities	
Hobbies			Maybe there is an issue you care deeply about but haven't stepped into activism
The Street we live on	Dogwalkers in the park		
Our Families			

Create your own Community Map

Start by considering our own community life

- Draw a circle in the centre of your paper, this is you
- Draw a line off it for every group you are a part of



Deepening your Map:

- Think about your roles: personal, professional, and playful.
- Think about your hobbies, do you participate in any groups? Or do you hold the identity of say "a crafter" or "a nerd" and most of your interactions are online?
- Think about all the interactions you have in a week, are you a regular in a cafe or chat to the shop assistant?
- Make sure you add all the informal groups you are a part of! Consider your book group, your running group, the folk you natter to about your new favourite TV show!

Turn to someone else:

- Do your webs interconnect in any way?