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User Guide

Create a Free Account

Welcome to IdeaShare! Getting started is easy:

- From the homepage (ideashare.net), click on SIGN UP FOR FREE
- Create a display name, enter your email address, and create a password
- Click on Sign Up and then you are ready to engage!

Ask a Question

- A If you are not already logged on, sign in with your email and password
- Click "Ask a Question" in the top green menu bar
- You will see five white input areas. At a minimum, you must fill out the blue question title and the follow-up detail. The other areas are optional for adding a project title, request for email addresses, background information and a "thank you" to your participants
- When filling out the different text areas, you can use the tools in the tool bar to help you. You can hover over the icons in the tool bar to learn what they do. You can add pictures, tables, block quotes, links, and more to convey information:



- When you have filled out all the information you wish to include, click "Post question" to publish your question. IdeaShare will generate a link to the question that you can copy and share.
- Tip: before you share the question link, add a few ideas to get the ball rolling. To do so, paste the link into your browser and follow the "Submit Ideas" instructions below
- When you are ready to share the question, send the link by email, post it to Facebook or Twitter, or simply copy the link and paste it wherever you can reach your participants!



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Submit Ideas

- Follow the question link in your browser
- To submit an idea, click on

Participate

- A Participants will see your ideas, but the ideas are all anonymous
- Enter the idea in the first box
- Add additional details in the second box if you would like. The toolbar has tools to help you add, organize, and display your idea. Hover over any of the icons to learn what they do
- To publish the idea, click on

Submit

- Enter as many ideas as you have!
- ◆ When you are finished entering ideas click on ★ Rate >>>
- The rate page will show the ideas you have just submitted. When you are done viewing the ideas, you can leave the web page.

Manage Questions and Data

- To manage your posted questions, click on "Manage Questions" in the top green menu bar.
- A From here, you can
 - Edit a question with
 - Share the link to a question with
 - Change the status to stop gathering responses by switching on to
 - View the data with VIEW DATA
 - Download the data as an Excel spreadsheet with DOWNLOAD DATA

Get Help with Your Engagement Process

- If you need additional help with your engagement process, click "Need Help?" in the top green menu bar.
- From here, you can fill out the fields to contact our team of engagement, decision support and planning professionals who can help you with your process and analysis



Thank you for using IdeaShare