

The key principle is **simplicity**, without over simplification. This may seem an impossible goal in today's complicated and technical environments. However, I have **NOT** found any topic or subject so complex, that its **core components** can not be meaningfully distilled + clearly represented **on one page**.

Visual Modeling Techniques™ - used to simplify creating **Roadmap Templates** that provide rational "at a glance" views about any topic, with good perspective and verifiable accuracy. New discoveries, better understanding of events, and better ways to optimize business processes will continue to surface. **Roadmaps** are **living documents** and should continue to evolve in all subsequent releases.

Any historical topic: **cultures**, **countries**, **places**, **individuals**, **milestones**, **events**, **religions** can all be summarized and presented using these template models. The reader quickly discovers simple continuity in both appearance and understanding. Using common visual structures i.e. **time-line grids**, **text-boxes**, **colors**, **fonts**, **arrows**, **etc.** this visual modeling technique is ideal for presenting vast amounts of information in a very rational and highly condensed format.

All ROADMAPS whether **historical** or **business process** in nature will always suffer from some inadvertent errors in facts, omissions, and lack of space for all key facts. Numerous compromises are made to fit everything **on one Page**.

Summarizing the essence of any historical topic or series of events forces the illustrator to first select what are the **key data points**. Then, determining how best to wordsmith relevant information and simplify data (i.e. **rounding of dates**, **years**, **periods**) without compromising historical accuracy. Finally, how best to present all relevant information in a **clear concise form** that enables readers to quickly visualize and learn about any topic in a meaningful way will remain a great challenge. Certainly, we benefit by sharing a more common model of understanding.

Other historical and process roadmap models currently available for viewing include: Mankind / Global Map - Last 5000 Years, USA History - Last 75 Years, USA Debt History, Debt to GDP, Supply Chain Model, Warehouse MGMT System, Integrated FINACIAL Model, Worst OIL Spills Global Map, Nuclear Crisis Response, Energy GRID Model, Health Care Delivery Model, Boxing Champions, Top Baseball Players, Ryder Cup, President Cup

Patterns are patterns Trends are trends Facts are Facts

What was ...was What is ...is What could be ...can be!