








Bullet Journal Symbol Key

Traditional Symbols

-  Note
-  Event
-  Task
-  Task Complete
-  Task Migrated
-  Task Scheduled
-  ~~Task Irrelevant~~

Use any or all of these and add your own so your BuJo works for you!

Bullet Journal Resources

bulletjournal.com – the official Bullet Journal site

The Bullet Journal Method by Ryder Carroll—book by the creator of the Bullet Journal Method

Websites

[Diary of a Journal Planner](http://diaryofajournalplanner.com)

diaryofajournalplanner.com/bullet-journal

[Tiny Ray of Sunshine](http://tinyrayofsunshine.com)

tinyrayofsunshine.com

[ManMade](http://manmadedaily.com)

manmadedaily.com/4760

Pinterest and Instagram are great resources for BuJo ideas! People get really creative and use their journals as a way to express themselves. Don't be afraid to experiment with new spreads and ways to decorate but also don't feel like you have to be all fancy. Use what appeals to you and what you find value in!

Books

The 365 Bullet Guide Compton, Zennor

Dot Journaling: A Practical Guide Miller, Rachel Wilkerson

Beyond Bullets Rutell, Megan

Journal Me Organized Spooner, Rebecca

Hack Your Journal (no author)

Artsy Inspiration

Journal Sparks Neuburger, Emily

The Planner Book Sagendorph, Jean

While some of my bullet journal is beautiful, many pages are not. My mantra is, "embrace the mess." I use my journal to bring organization to my life. I'm a mother of two, an outside sales person calling on interior design firms in Dallas, the founder of a non-profit, a wife, a sister, an owner of three dogs (and one cat). But, most important, I'm human. Humans are messy and make mistakes.

Tammi Kollinger, Bullet Journal Blog, "Embrace the Mess"

BULLET JOURNAL

QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

"FOR THE LIST-MAKERS, THE NOTE-TAKERS, THE POST-IT PILOTS, THE TRACK-KEEPERS, AND THE DABBLING DOODLERS. IT'S AN ANALOG SYSTEM FOR THE DIGITAL AGE THAT WILL HELP YOU TRACK THE PAST, ORGANIZE THE PRESENT, AND PLAN FOR THE FUTURE" - RYDER CARROLL, INVENTOR OF THE BULLET JOURNAL

ABOUT IT IS A SYSTEM DESIGNED IN A NOTEBOOK THAT YOU SET UP. IT HAS A SIMPLE FRAMEWORK THAT IS EASILY CUSTOMIZABLE BY ITS USER. IT GETS OUT OF YOUR WAY TO HELP YOU GET THINGS DONE. ALL YOU NEED IS A NOTEBOOK AND PEN. WE RECOMMEND THE OFFICIAL BULLET JOURNAL NOTEBOOK. HERE'S HOW TO GET STARTED.

STEP 1: INDEX

- TITLE FIRST 4 PAGES INDEX
- WHEN YOU ADD A NEW ENTRY, INDEX IT
- THIS IS A SNAPSHOT OF WHAT'S IN YOUR BULLET JOURNAL
- PRO TIP: ONLY INDEX WHAT YOU'LL REFERENCE LATER

INDEX	INDEX
FUTURE LOG: 1-4	
MEETINGS: 7, 10-11	

STEP 2: FUTURE LOG

- TITLE NEXT 4 PAGES FUTURE LOG
- PLACE FUTURE EVENTS HERE
- PLACE TASKS YOU'D LIKE TO GET TO SOME DAY HERE
- CHECK IT ON A MONTHLY BASIS TO FILL MONTHLY LOG
- ADD TO IT AS NEEDED
- PRO TIP: IF YOU HAVE A CALENDAR ONLINE, THEN ONLY ADD EVENTS IN YOUR BULLET JOURNAL YOU WANT TO KEEP AN EYE ON
- PRO TIP: THERE ARE SEVERAL FUTURE PLANNING SOLUTIONS, HEAD TO BULLETJOURNAL.COM TO DISCOVER THEM

FUTURE LOG	FUTURE LOG
JAN 01 - NEW YRS	APR
FEB • BUILD SHED	MAY
MAR	JUN 03 - BIRTHDAY
1	2
3	4

- ... ALSO LOOK UP
- CALENDEX
 - ALAISTAIR METHOD
 - SIMPLE LIST
 - CREATE YOUR OWN!


STEP 3: MONTHLY LOG

- TITLE LEFT PAGE WITH MONTH AND NUMBER
- TITLE RIGHT PAGE TASKS
- THE CALENDAR PAGE IS FOR EVENTS
- THE TASK PAGE IS FOR TASKS YOU WANT TO GET DONE THIS MONTH AND MIGRATED TASKS FROM THE PREVIOUS MONTH
- PRO TIP: LOG NOTABLE SNIPPETS YOU'D LIKE TO LOOK BACK ON AS MEMORIES ON THE CAL PAGE

JUNE	TASKS
1W	• PLAN PARTY
2T	• MAKE GIFT LIST
3F 0 BIRTHDAY	• HIKE
4S	
5S SAW PARENTS	
6M 0 MEETING 9A	
7T	
8W	
9T	
10F NEW PHONE	
11S	
12S	
13M	
5	

STEP 4: DAILY LOG

- TITLE WITH DAY AND DATE
- RAPID-LOG TASKS, EVENTS, AND NOTES THROUGHOUT THE DAY WITH CORRESPONDING BULLETS
- PRO TIP: REVIEW REGULARLY

MON / 6	FRI / 10
• BANK	0 PARTY
0 9A - MEETING	X NEW PHONE
- BUTTERFLY	SAT / 11
X GAMES	- NEW COFFEE
	X CLEAR DESK
	X RELAX
	SUN / 12
	0 RELAX!
	
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COLLECTIONS

- COMPOSED OF RELATED IDEAS, USUALLY FILLED WITH BULLETS AND SIGNIFIERS
- TURN TO THE NEXT BLANK SPREAD, TITLE, AND INDEX

➔ ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES!

BULLETS AND SIGNIFIERS

- OBJECTIVE SHORT-FORM NOTATION
- ORGANIZE WHAT YOU WRITE WITH BULLETS
- GIVE BULLETS CONTEXT WITH SIGNIFIERS

- TASK BULLET
- X TASK COMPLETED
- TASK MIGRATED
- < TASK SCHEDULED
- 0 EVENT BULLET
- NOTE BULLET
- * PRIORITY SIGNIFIER
- ! INSPIRATION SIGNIFIER
- ⊕ EXPLORE SIGNIFIER

MIGRATION

- WHEN YOU SET UP A NEW MONTHLY LOG, LOOK AT PREVIOUS COLLECTION'S UNDONE TASKS AND MIGRATE TO THE NEW MONTHLY LOG, STRIKE OUT IF IT'S NO LONGER WORTH YOUR TIME, OR SCHEDULE TO THE FUTURE LOG
- IT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN BEING BUSY AND BEING PRODUCTIVE