Phase 3 of thorough synthesis: Translating insights into opportunities & recommendations

In this last phase of synthesis, we'll turn each insight into a How Might We (HMW) question.

HMW questions describe opportunities for us to improve our product, and help us brainstorm recommendations.

Now, let's break down the anatomy of that question:

How might we enable first-time users to set up their account quickly?

How might we { verb } - In the example, we wrote enable, but you can use any verb: help, improve, create, increase, decrease, etc.

{ User profile/ segment } - In the example, we wrote first-time users. Use this part to describe the user profile/segment you're researching.

To { Accomplish this task} – in the example, we wrote set up their account quickly. Use this part to describe the opportunity you have to improve your product.

How to use this template:

- 1. Copy & paste 1 insight into each box below (If you created 'customer problem statements', you can place them here as insights).
- 2. Rephrase each insight as one or more HMW questions (more is better).
- 3. Choose which HMW question(s) you want to keep for each insight.

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Opportunities and recommendations for the Insights

- How might we {verb}... {user profile/segment}... to {take this action}...? + recommendations
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Insight #2 (need/pain point)

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Opportunities and recommendations for the Insights

- How might we {verb}... {user profile/segment}... to {take this action}...? + recommendations
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Insight #3 (need/pain point)

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Opportunities and recommendations for the Insights

- How might we {verb}... {user profile/segment}... to {take this action}...? + recommendations
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Insight #4 (need/pain point)

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Opportunities and recommendations for the Insights

- How might we {verb}... {user profile/segment}... to {take this action}...? + recommendations
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Insight #5 (need/pain point)

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Opportunities and recommendations for the Insights

- How might we {verb}... {user profile/segment}... to {take this action}...? + recommendations
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