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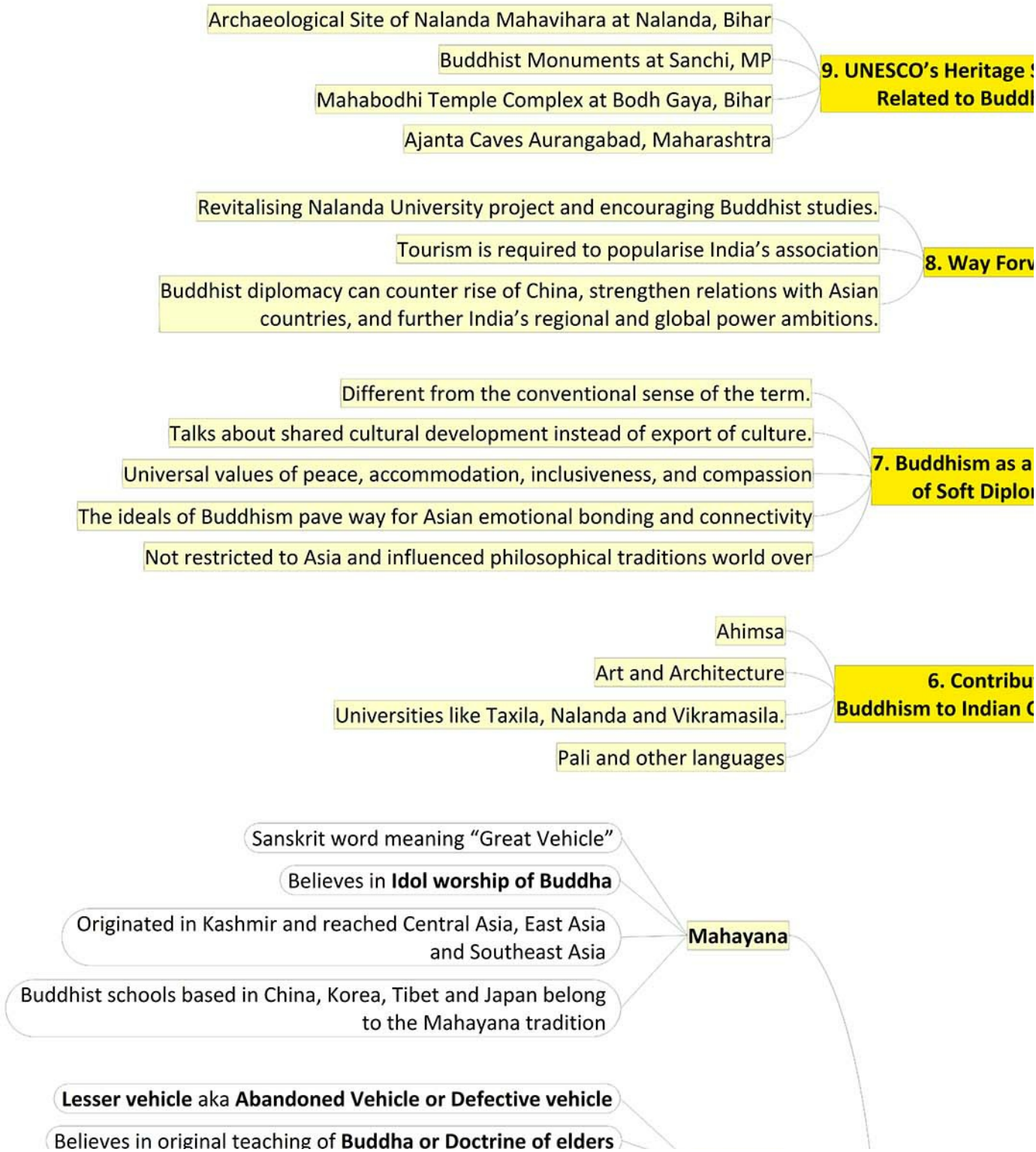

Hinayana
Does not believe in Idol worship
Theravada is a Hinayana sect
5. Schools of Buc
Most ancient branch of Buddhism
Closest to the original teachings of Buddha
Developed in Sri Lanka and later spread to Southeast Asia
Theravada
Prevalent in Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar, Sri Lanka, and Thailand
Means “The Vehicle of the Thunderbolt”, aka tantric Buddhism
Developed in India around 900 CE
Vajrayana
Based on esoteric elements and complex set of rituals
School of Mahayana originated in China as the Chan school of Chinese Buddhism
Reached Japan in 7th century C.E
Zen
Meditation is the most distinctive feature