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What is Bounce Back?

Unique collaborative of physicians, nurses, healthcare leaders and community members

Single purpose – to impact the lives of individuals, communities, and organizations by promoting health through happiness



Bounce Back Tools

Purpose: to expand resilience by retraining our mind to focus on the positive, increase the feelings of well-being and decrease the feelings of depression

- Random Acts of Kindness
- Three Good Things
- Gratitude
- Social Connections
- Mindfulness and Self-Care
- Purpose





Resilience

Resilience: re·sil·ience /rəˈzilyəns/

noun

- **1.** the ability of a substance or object to spring back into shape; elasticity.
- 2. the capacity to recover quickly from difficulties; toughness.



Five Pillars of Resilience





Resilience can be learned!

- Consistency is the key
- The more you practice the better you get
- Strive for progress, not perfection



Why Is Resilience So Important?



Greater resilience leads to improved learning and academic achievement.



Resilience is related to lower absences from work or school due to sickness.



It contributes to reduced risk-taking behaviors including excessive drinking, smoking, and use of drugs.



Those with greater resilience tend to be more involved in the community and/or family activities.



Higher resilience is related to a lower rate of mortality and increased physical health.

AND add years to your life....

I'm going to make you all live 7.6 minutes longer by what we do today.







1. Stand up and take three steps in place





2. Snap your fingers EXACTLY 30 times





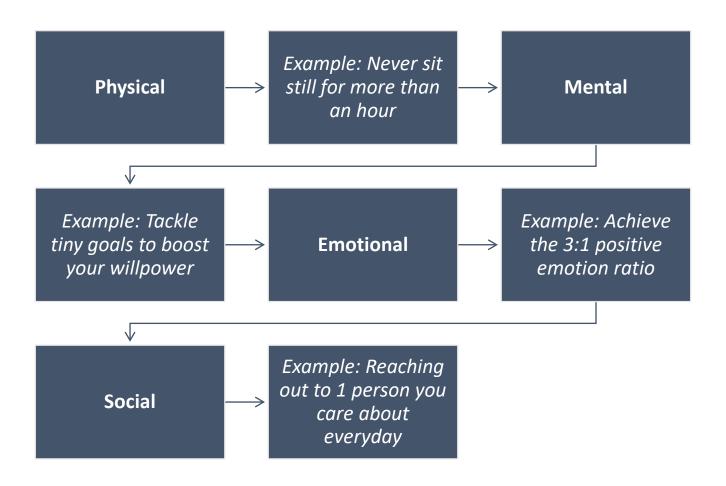
3. Close your eyes and remember a truly happy time in your life... seeing your baby for the very first time, meeting your spouse, a concert or movie, time spent friends





4. Look someone in the eye and shake their hand for six seconds





Resilience helps you live longer!



Build Resilience In Your Life!

Show up as your real self.

Manage stress and avoid burnout.

Manage change and setbacks.

Engage

Respectfully engage others by communicating supportively and being an effective listener.

Facilitate

Facilitate another person's success with guidance, recognition and support.

Build Build trust.

Have moments of play!

Stay Stay inspired!

S Growth mindset vs fixed mindset 3



577GGESS FRUSTRATION

- 1. I can learn anything I want to.
- 2. When I'm frustrated, I persevere
- 3. I like to challenge myself.
- 4. When I fail, I learn.
- 5. I like being told that I try hard.
- 6. If my classmates succeed, I'm inspired
- 7. My effort and attitude determine everything.

- 1. Im either good at it, or I'm not.
- 2. When I'm frustrated, I give up.
- 3. I don't like to be challenged.
- 4. When I fail, I'm no good.
- 5. I like being told that I'm smart.
- 6. If my classmates succeed, I feel threatened.
- 7. My abilities determine everything.





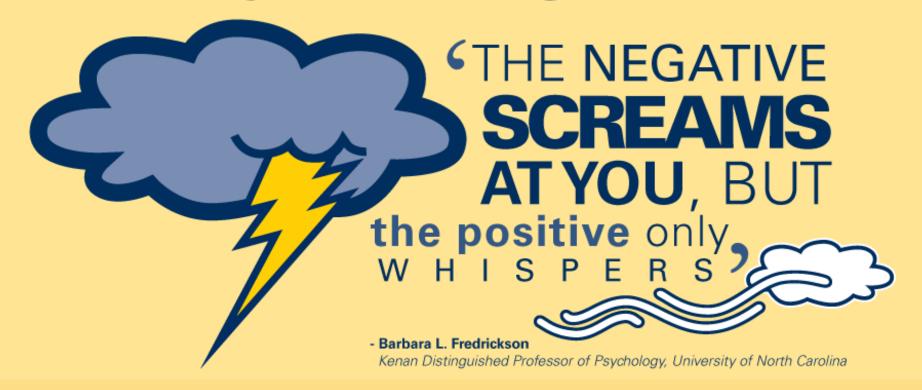


> Learned helplessness

Three Good Things



THE CHALLENGE





Negativity Is Hardwired

We are hardwired to remember the NEGATIVE



Three Good Things



"A compelling view of a positive human future, for individuals, corporations, and nations, brilliantly told."

-Tony Hsieh, author of Delivering Happiness and CEO of Zappos.com, Inc.

A Visionary New Understanding of Happiness and Well-being



Martin E. P. Seligman

BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF
AUTHENTIC HAPPINESS



Counting Blessings Versus Burdens: An Experimental Investigation of Gratitude and Subjective Well-Being in Daily Life

Robert A. Emmons University of California, Davis Michael E. McCullough University of Miami

The effect of a grateful outlook on psychological and physical well-being was examined. In Studies 1 and 2, participants were randomly assigned to 1 of 3 experimental conditions (hassles, gratitude listing,

led to increases in positive affect, as well as reductions in negative affect, mediational analyses showed that gratitude was uniquely responsible for the effect of the intervention on positive affect. In addition, the gratitude intervention improved people's amount of sleep and the quality of that sleep. Furthermore, the effects on well-being were apparent to the participants' spouse or significant other.

Reflect on your present blessings, on which every man has many, not on your past misfortunes, of which all men have some.

—Charles Dickens (M. Dickens, 1897, p. 45)

been treated as both basic and desirable aspects of human personality and social life. For example, gratitude is a highly prized human disposition in Jewish, Christian, Muslim, Buddhist, and



Three Good Things





What Is "Three Good Things"?

Just before bed, ask yourself "What are three things that went well today, and what is my role in making them happen?"

You remember best what you've reviewed during your last two wakeful hours

For best results, write it down

Repeat for two weeks to make effects last longer









The Science of the Good Life: How one school increased student happiness with one simple exercise



The Science of the Good Life



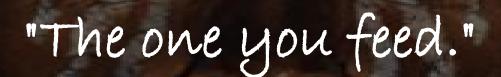
The Two Wolves Cherokee Legend

An old Cherokee is teaching his grandson about life. "A fight is going on inside me," he said to the boy.

"It is a terrible fight and it is between two wolves. One wolf is evil - he is anger, envy, sorrow, regret, greed, arrogance, self-pity, guilt, resentment, inferiority, lies, false pride, superiority, and ego." He continued, "The other is good - he is Joy, Gratitude, Serenity, Interest, Hope, Pride, Amusement, Inspiration, Awe, Love, and Faith. The same fight is going on inside you grandson - and inside every other person, too."

The grandson thought about it for a minute and then asked his grandfather:

"Which wolf will win?"
The old Cherokee simply replied,



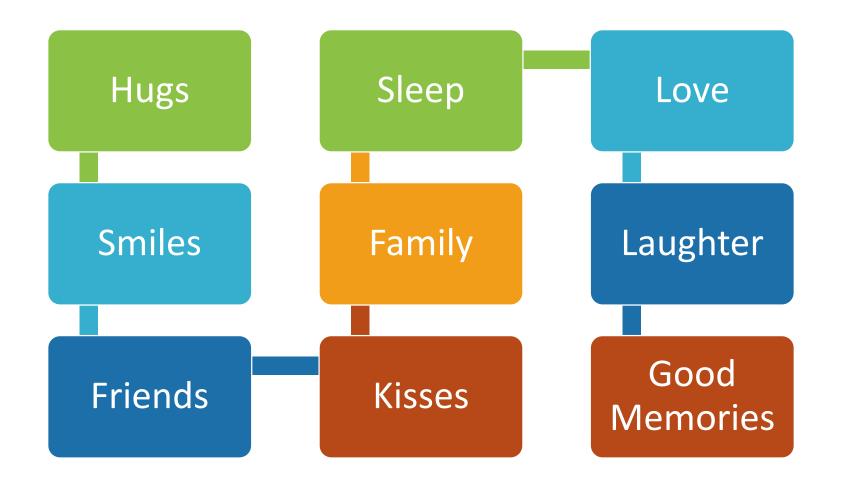


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Everyone think of ONE good thing that happened to you today ...





The Best Things in Life are Free!



Three Good Things in your life

Practice

Practice 3 Good Things for two weeks

Start

Start each gathering with 1 good thing that is happening for each attendee or 3 Good Things for the group

Discuss

Discuss how identifying the positives in one's day can lead to better health and happiness and how it gets easier the more it is practiced

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Sign up for newsletter: http://bit.ly/bbnewsltr



Gratitude



Which Line are you most often standing in?





"In our daily lives, we must see that it is not happiness that makes us grateful, but the gratefulness that makes us happy."

- Albert Clarke

Being Grateful Makes Us Happy



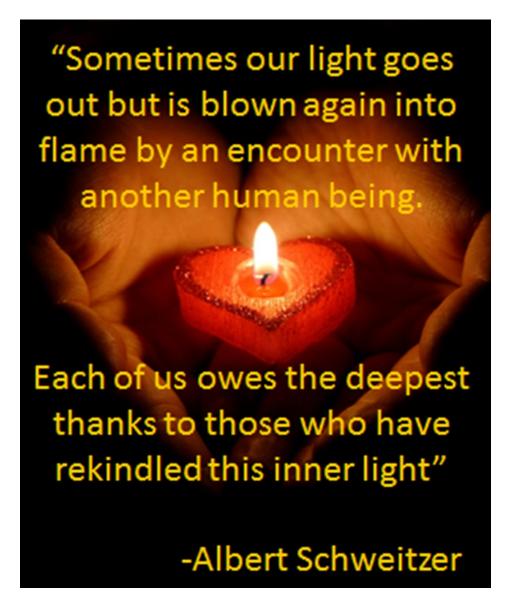


- Decreased depressive symptoms and increased feelings of well being ^{5,1}
- Improved psychological wellbeing ⁶
- Improved working memory ²
- Improved sleep ³
- Improved immune system function ⁴
- Improved relationships ⁵
- Improved coping with emotional upheavals ⁶



Gratitude

• Please close your eyes and think about someone who, at some time in your lives, has rekindled your inner light.
Someone who you are truly grateful for and have never properly thanked.





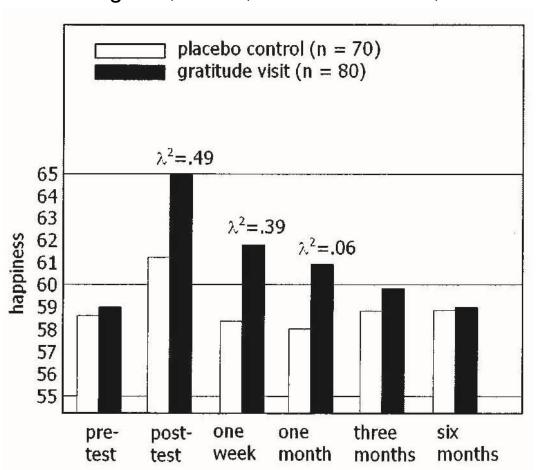
Gratitude Experiment

Science of Being Happy



Gratitude Letter Effectiveness

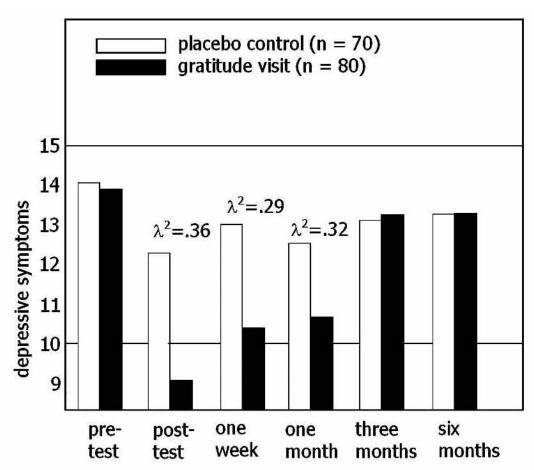
Seligman, Steen, Park & Petersen, 2005





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Gratitude

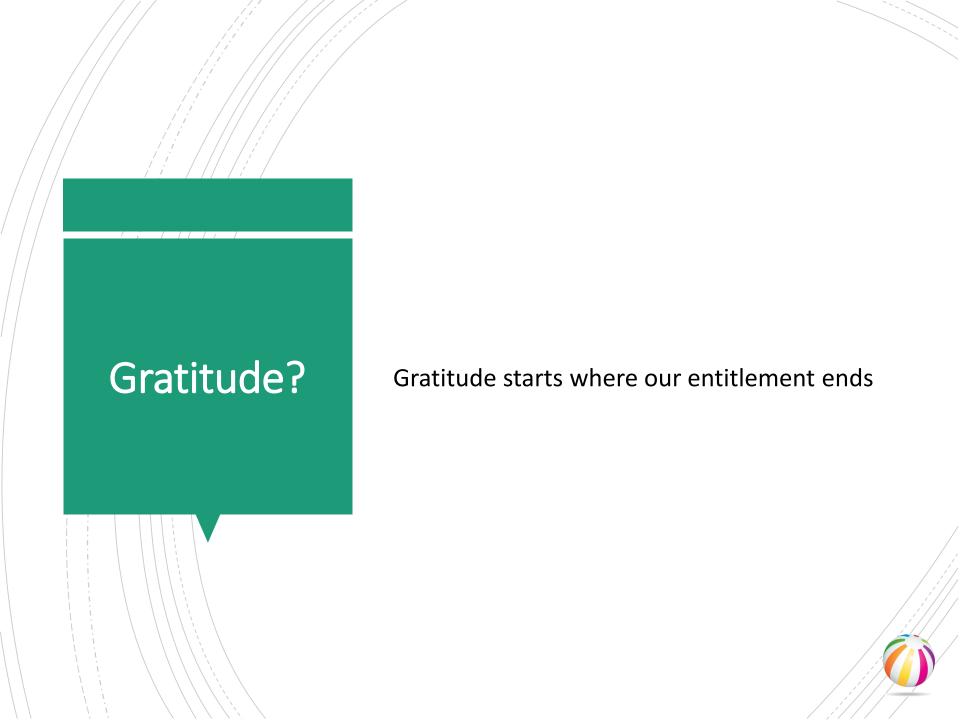
You now have the opportunity to write that person you thought about a thank you note....right now!



Gratitude

Commit to a face-to-face conversation or phone call within the next 48 hours





Lollipop Moments

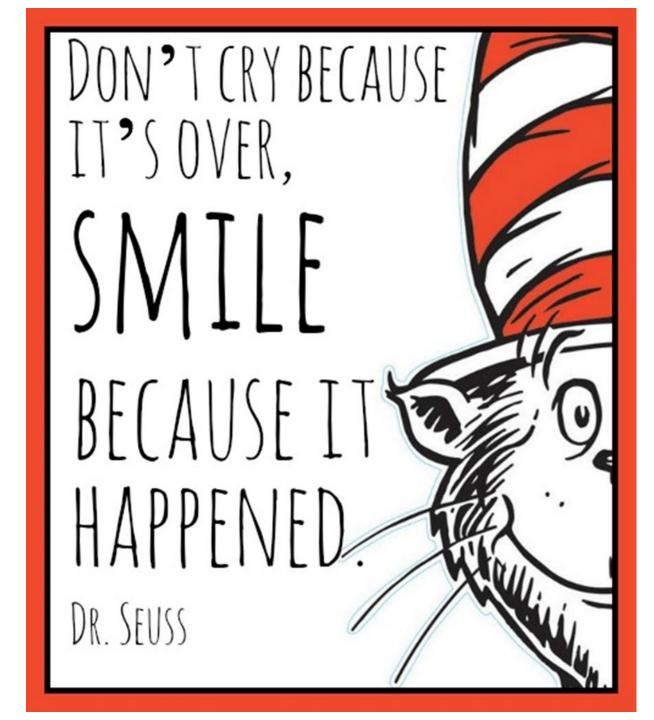
Can I ever do anything worth someone else's gratitude?

Do I make a difference?

We wonder just like many other people do – express your gratitude to someone TODAY and you will change the world

Be The Leader In Gratitude

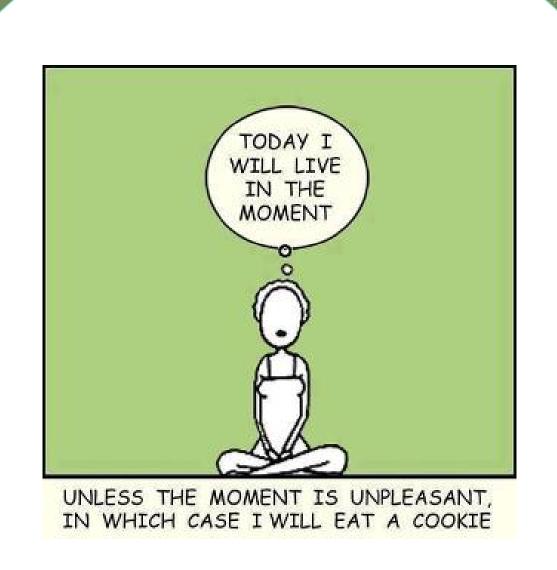






Mindfulness & Self-Care







Mindfulness:

A state of active, open attention on the present.

- When you're mindful, you observe your thoughts and feelings from a distance, without judging them good or bad.
- Instead of letting your life pass you by, mindfulness means living in the moment and awakening to experience.





In other words...

Focusing on one thing at a time

Being aware of your emotions, and acknowledging that **they won't last forever**.

Staying present, in this moment.

Or as we like to say:

"Be here now"



Mindfulness





Why Practice Mindfulness?

Practicing mindfulness for even a few weeks can bring a variety of physical, psychological, and social benefits:

- Boosts our immune system
- Increases positive emotions and reduces negative emotions and stress
- Increases gray matter in regions of our brain linked to learning, memory, emotion regulation, and empathy
- Helps us focus; tune out distractions, improves memory and attention skills
- Fosters compassion for others and ourselves
- Helps parents, schools, prisons, healthcare professionals, veterans and more
- Enhances relationships
- Fights Obesity



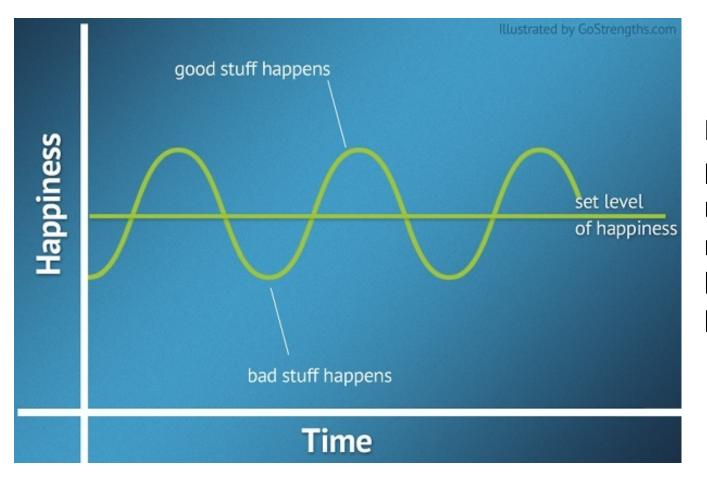






People who practice mindfulness show higher levels of overall happiness

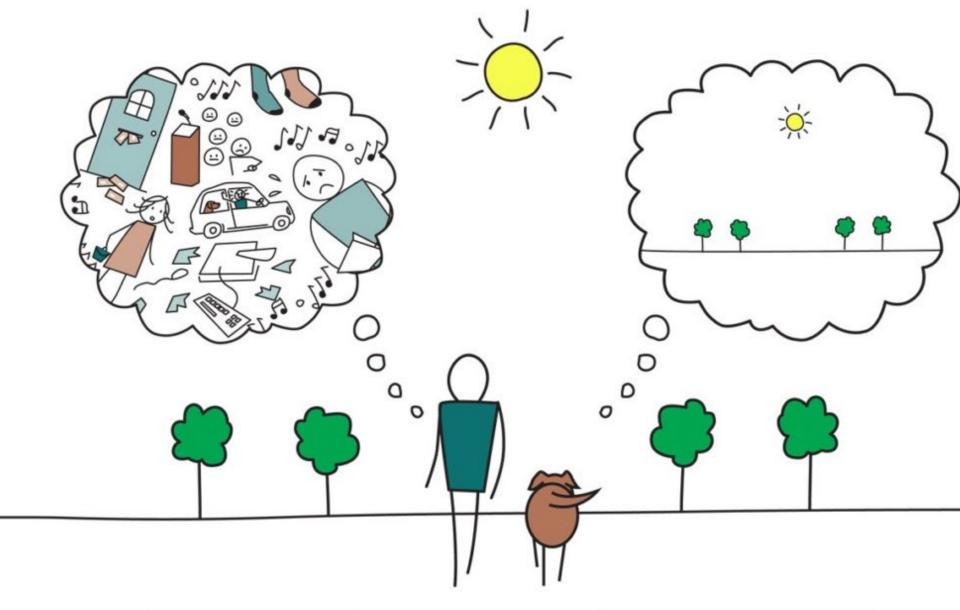




People who practice mindfulness can raise their set level of happiness.







Mind Full, or Mindful?



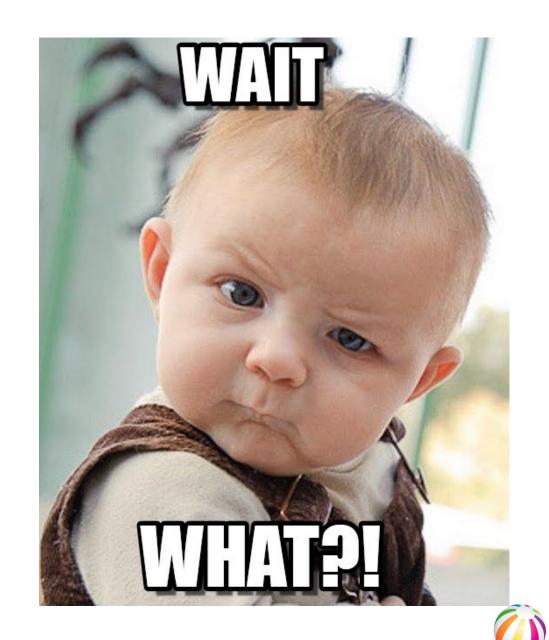
Studies show...

What makes people happy has less to do with what they are doing, and more to do with whether their attention is fully present in the moment.





Mindfulness can even help us **rewire our brains** to be happier.



Here's how thoughts work

The storyteller thoughts:

- These thoughts are a little melodramatic and blows things way out of proportion.
- Go to the negative/jumps to the conclusion.
- The storyteller thoughts tend to take things personally, or "this must be about me!"

The observer thoughts:

- Observes how the world reacts to us without any bias.
- Realistically reflects on the situation as it is, no more, no less. Just observes the moment.
- Asks for more clarification, no conclusions before getting the whole story.



Our thoughts play out like this:

The boss slams the door.

Observer: "The boss seems agitated. I'll check in later."

Storyteller: "Better get the resume together. We're getting fired."

Our thoughts play out like this:

A friend looks at you funny:

Observer: 'I wonder what happened, I'll ask if he or she wants to talk.'

Storyteller: 'He or she hates me, we're no longer friends!'

The good news is, these thoughts are only one part of you

You can reflect on whether these thoughts are serving you in living your best life.

This is where mindfulness (awareness) comes in.

Mindfulness is about focusing on the concrete information we have, not getting wrapped up in interpretations.





We all have an innate ability to learn how to manage stress and become more resilient by awareness of our thoughts and reflecting on those thoughts.



Are these thoughts realistic/true/creditable/accurate/rational/sensible?



Both yes and no are correct



By reflection we can better take care of self through self-compassion and asking ourselves what we need right now, in this moment.

Resilient by awareness





Ultimately, you're in charge.



What you can do is...

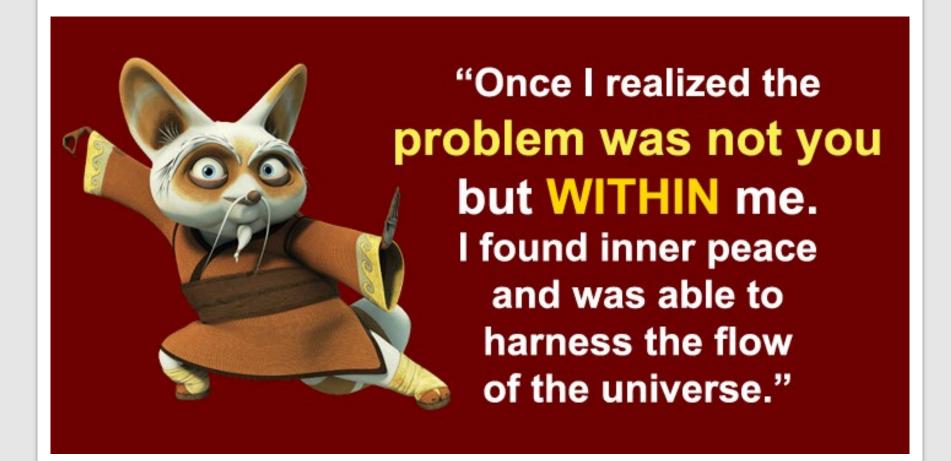
Listen to your thoughts as you go about your day, and contradict dramatic assumptions.

Look for other ways a situation can be interpreted. Is this truly about you?

The more you practice, the more often your brain is using these "positive pathways" to solve a problem.

Eventually, this becomes a habit and storytelling starts to rewire in a more positive, mindful way.







Why Mindfulness is a Superpower





How do we begin to cultivate being mindful?

- Being non-judging
- Developing patience
- Fostering a beginner's mind that is open to life's experiences
- Extending trust

- Becoming non-striving
- Demonstrating acceptance
- Letting go; allowing yourself to not become attached



More steps toward Mindfulness

Meditate

Meditate – reduces stress, calms the mind and increases inner peace, be in the moment.

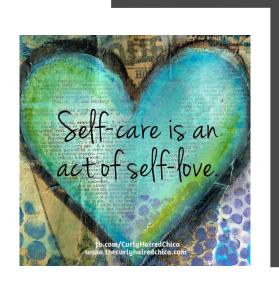
Notice

Notice what you are doing and how it feels (For example: next time you're washing the dishes, think about what the soap and water feels like on your hands).

Stop

Most importantly: Stop multi-tasking







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Self-care







What is Self-Care and why is it so important?

Self-care is our ability as human beings to function effectively in the world while meeting the multiple challenges of daily life with a sense of energy, vitality, and confidence

Self-care is important for your physical health as well as your mental, spiritual, and lifestyle health. It requires active engagement





Without self-care, relationships can suffer



Self-care makes us more effective and energetic



Self-care produces positive feelings, which improve confidence and self-esteem too





How do we practice self-care?

- Make a date with yourself
- Praise yourself when you do something awesome
- Unplug
- Journal
- Meditate
- Take a class for fun, something that feeds your soul
- Take a quick nap

- Eat something you enjoy
- Take a long bath or shower
- Do a mini-declutter
- Help someone/ do a RAOK
- Run or walk for a few minutes
- Touch a pet
- Spend time with real friends and other people who lift you up





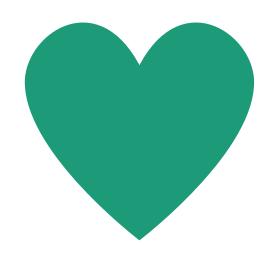
Create a Self-Care Box

- Create one for yourself or to share with someone you care about
- Add items that bring you joy, calm you, spark wonderful memories or satisfy your taste buds!
- Keep it handy so you can use it on "mad, bad, and sad" days



RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS





Random Acts of Kindness

Doing an act of kindness produces the single most reliable momentary increase in well-being of any exercise that has been tested.

Dr. Martin Seligman University of Pennsylvania





"Life is an echo.

What you send out, comes back.

What you sow, you reap.

What you give, you get.

What you see in others, exists in you."

- Zig Ziglar



Judgement and you



The way you measure yourself is how you measure others, and how you assume others measure you.



Often times, if you don't like someone it's because they have a trait that you don't like about yourself.



WE BUT MIRROR THE WORLD. ALL THE TENDENCIES PRESENT IN THE OUTER WORLD ARE TO BE FOUND IN THE WORLD OF OUR BODY. IF WE COULD CHANGE OURSELVES, THE TENDENCIES IN THE WORLD WOULD ALSO CHANGE. AS A MAN CHANGES HIS OWN NATURE, SO DOES THE ATTITUDE OF THE WORLD CHANGE TOWARDS HIM. THIS IS THE DIVINE MYSTERY SUPREME. A WONDERFUL THING IT IS AND THE SOURCE OF OUR HAPPINESS. WE NEED NOT WAIT TO SEE WHAT OTHERS DO.

- MAHATMA GANDHI -

Happiness and Random Acts of Kindness

There are two good things in life:

 freedom of thought and freedom of action.

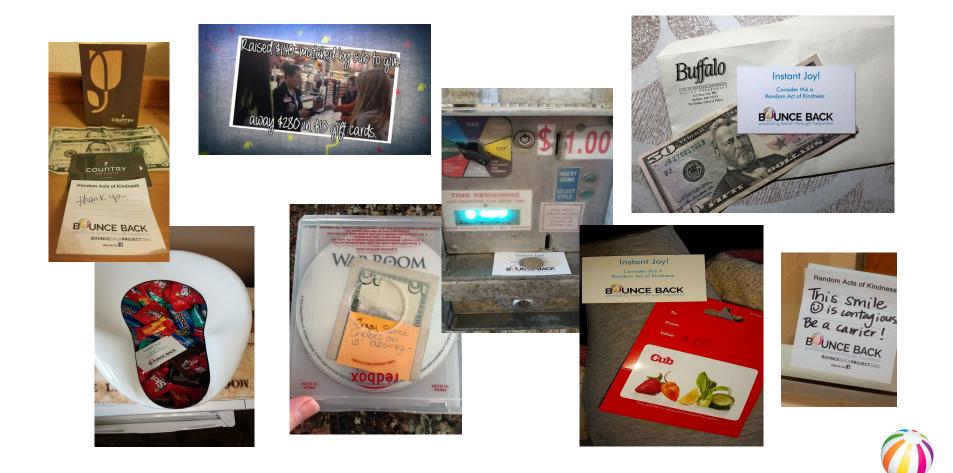
W. Somerset Maugham





Random Acts of Kindness

What have you seen? What have you done?



Impact On Bystanders

(what will your random act of kindness do to those who witness?)

Increases kindness in others

Increases generosity in others

Creates a "peak experience" of gratitude and ability to be content with current state

Change For A Dollar



RAOK in your life



Do RAOK regularly



Give workplace incentives for doing a RAOK



As a group, complete a RAOK in the community



Create a "challenge" for a variety of work groups to complete RAOKs



Social Connections



Chasing Happiness







We all want it, right? How do we get it?

- ✓ Being Grateful
- Being Content
- ✓ Having Quality Relationships

Stop saying "I will be happy when..."

and start saying

"I am happy now because..."





The Good Life...







Living with loneliness increases your odds of dying early by 45% (more than obesity – 20%)

Causes the same amount of damage to your lifespan as smoking 15 cigarettes a day

Loneliness is associated with a higher risk of high blood pressure in older people

Makes it harder to recover from illnesses, including mental health concerns

Loneliness Is Bad For Our Health



Humans Are Wired For True Social Connection



People with strong social relationships are 50% more likely to live longer



40% of Americans are lonely at any one time



4am friends – do you have any?



Why is talking about loneliness taboo



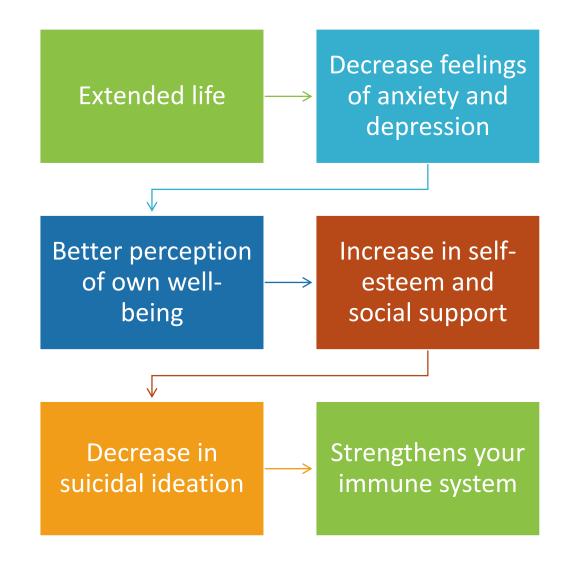
Social media makes feeling of loneliness worse



Comparison WILL kill your joy

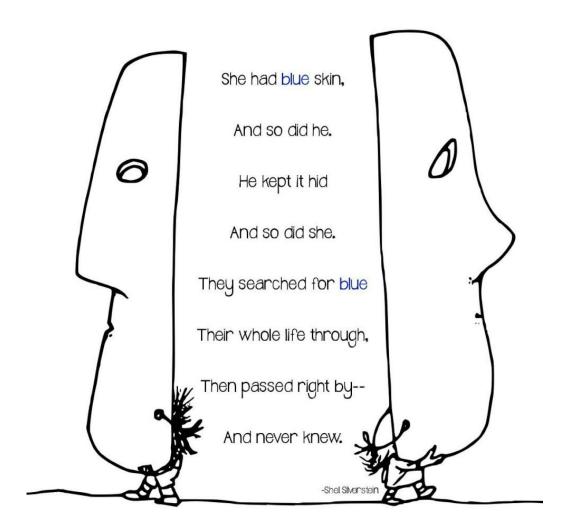


Healing
Power Of
Social
Connections





Have The
Courage To
Show Up And
Be Seen!









What Can You Do For Yourself

Take a long, hard look at your *perceived* connections

Build your relationships by being authentically who you are, not who you want to be

Reach out to one person you care about every day

Do things in nature

Participate in rec sports

Take a vacation

Organize leisure activities with people you know

Take a class

Volunteer

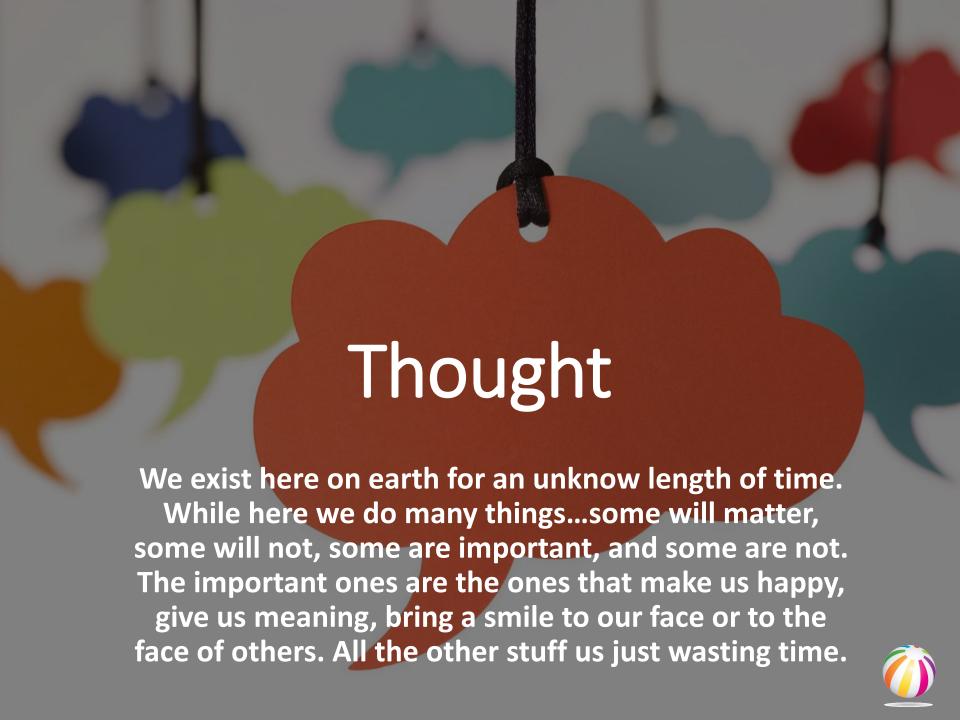


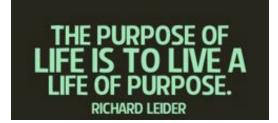
What Can You Do In Your Community

Organize or promote	Organize or promote volunteer activity
Host	Host a social event
Reach out	If you think someone you know might be lonely, reach out to them
Share	Share compliments
Talk	Talk to people who serve you and call them by name (barista, cashier at the store, etc.)

Purpose





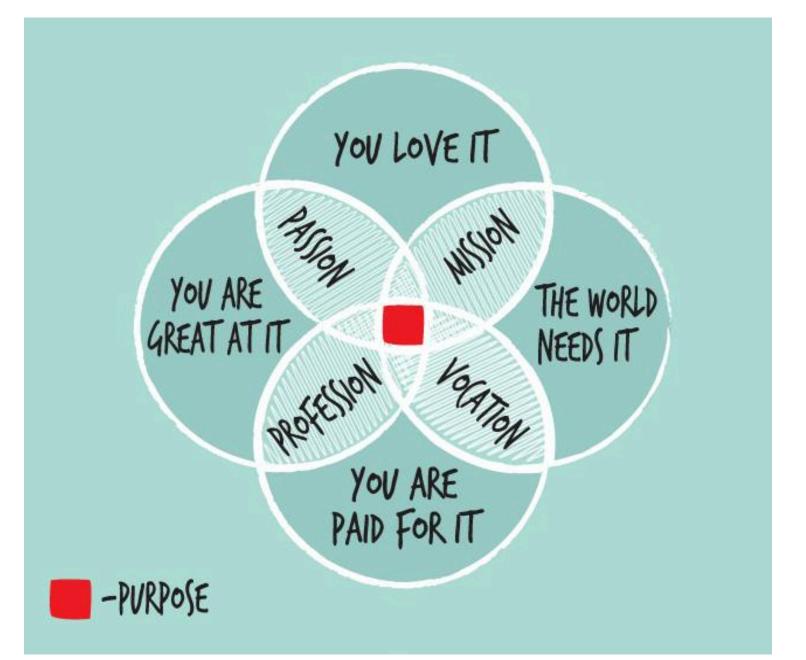


So what is purpose?

- Purpose in life refers to a "feeling that there is meaning in one's present and past life."
- Something that is instantly meaningful
- Something that makes you come alive



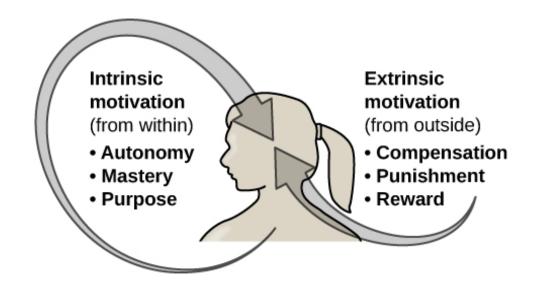






WHY IS PURPOSE IMPORTANT?

- Rates of mental illness are increasing
- Decrease social connectedness
- Increased perception of environmental threat
- Increased emphasis extrinsic rather than intrinsic rewards
- Students and fatigued and bored





Just the facts

- 40% of Americans have NOT discovered a life purpose.
- 40% either do not think their lives have a clear sense of purpose or are neutral about whether their lives have purpose.
- 25% feel neutral or do not have a strong sense of what makes their lives meaningful

Research has shown that having purpose and meaning in life increases overall well-being and life satisfaction, improves mental and physical health, enhances resiliency, enhances self-esteem, and decreases the chances of depression.



How bad is it?



32% of ALL students reported suicidality, self-injury, or clinical levels of depression / anxiety before completing college

40% of students say they have been unable to function due to stress, depression and/or anxiety

12.4% of students reported adding some form of psychological distress while in college





Physiological Responses

- Heart "speak"
- Nervous system
- Changes to the involuntary
- body functions





There are two great days in a person's life - the day we are born and the day we discover why.

-William Barclay



Positives of Purpose



ADD 2 YEARS TO YOUR LIFE!!



REDUCE PAIN



CANCER REGRESSION



HELP DECREASE THINGS THAT DISTRACT YOU



INCREASE YOUR RESILIENCE



Research shows...

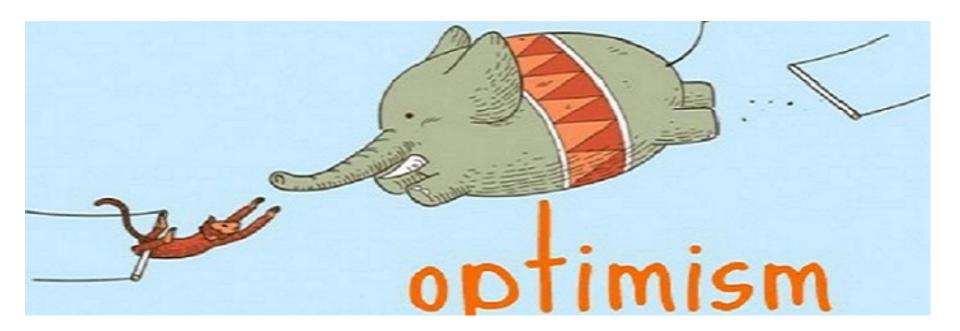
Development of purpose is necessary to develop ones identify

Research shows that teens and young adults that seek purpose report higher life satisfaction and levels of happiness.

New research even suggests that a feeling of purpose in young people is associated with better physical health.



Purpose Provides





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A sense of something BIGGER!



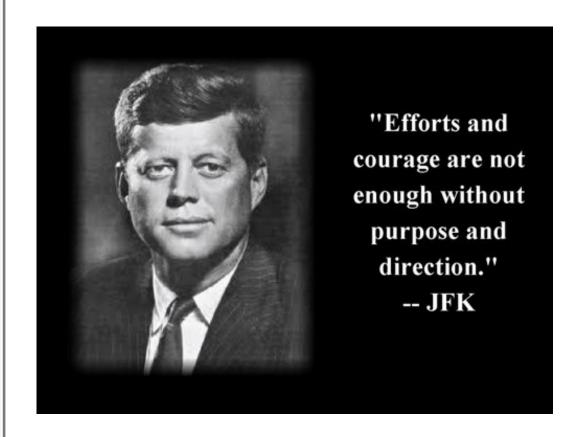


Purpose Increases Acceptance The Harvard's men's study found that those who reflect on their purpose had less negative feelings and discomfort with diversity.



Purpose Provides

Motivation
Focus
Resilience
Determination
Sense of Wellbeing
Positivity





PURPOSE FOR KIDS CAN ...



- Lessen depression
- Lessen binge drinking
- Lessen drug abuse





Do you often wonder or think ...

What do I want to do with my life

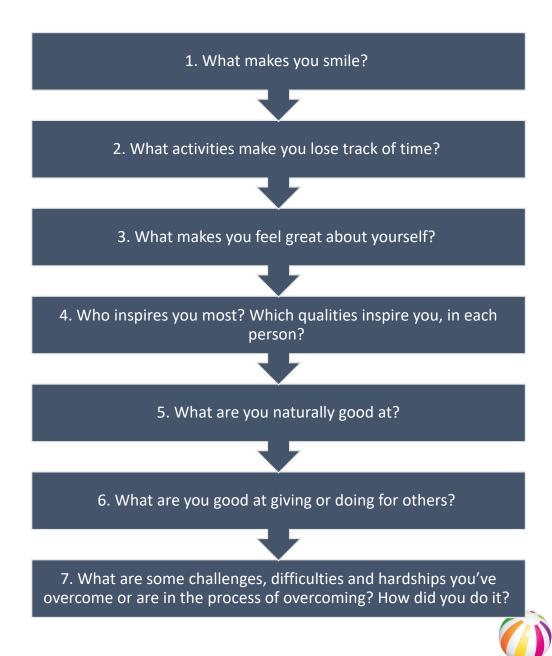
I don't have a clue ...

What am I passionate about

Do you think you will know when you are 20, 30....50?



Things to get you thinking...





- (In the presentation file)
- Pick your top FIVE values
- Pick your top ONE





What is Your Purpose in Life?

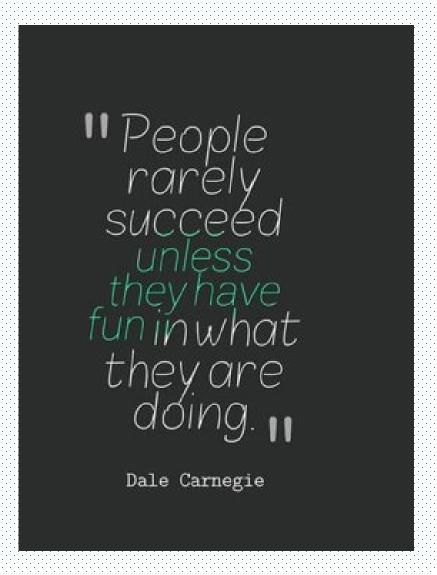


Life should not be a journey to the grave with the intention of arriving safely in a pretty and well-preserved body, but rather to skid in broadside in a cloud of smoke, thoroughly used up, totally worn out, and loudly proclaiming

"Wow! What a Ride!"

Hunter S. Thompson

How do we find purpose?



Get up and get out, experience as many new things as possible until you find something that is important to you.



Think About

What activity absorbs you to the point that you forget to eat?

If you knew you would not be here in 6 months or a yearwhat would you want to make sure you did? How would you want to be remembered?



EVENT HING EVENT DAY

THAT MAKES YOU HARD PY

Ask yourself ...

What would make your younger self sad if you could talk to them now?



Finding Purpose Can be Tough



Let's be honest, life is not always fun and games ... and the road gets rough, even when we are at our best.



Failure IS NOT A dirty word

It's only a failure if you don't learn something

Failure is success that has not happened yet



"The meaning of life is to find your gift.

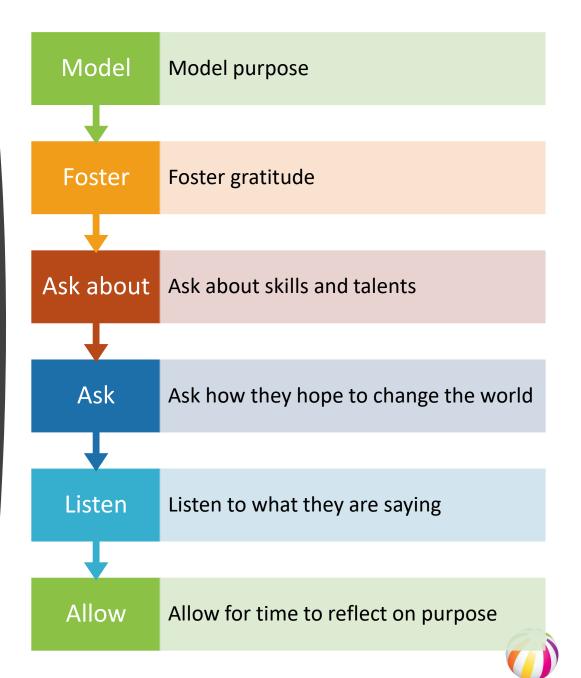
The purpose of life is to give it away"

Pablo Picasso

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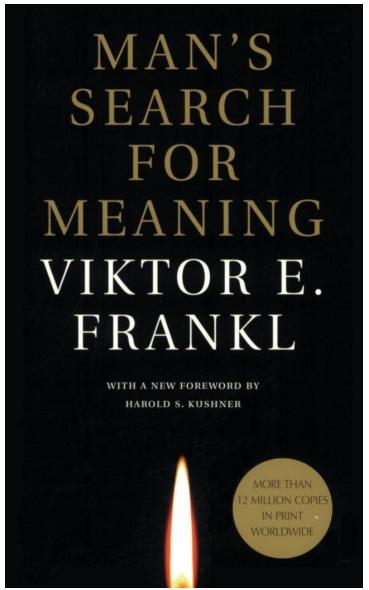


How to foster purpose

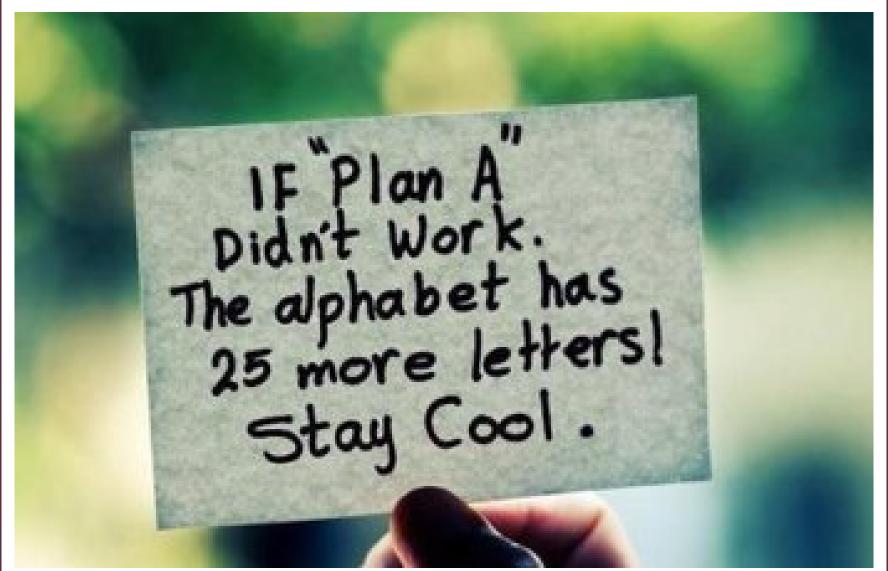


Happiness cannot be pursued: it must ensue. One must have a reason to be happy. Once the reason is found, however, one becomes happy atomically.

Victor Frankl











Tell me, what it is you plan to do with your one wild and precious life?

Mary Oliver





Multiple intelligence and types: htp://literacyworks.org/mi/assessmen t/findyourstrengths.html

45 questions

Inventory of strengths: htp://www.viacharacter.org/VIASurve y/tabid/55/Default.aspx

•120 questions

https://www.fosterpurpose.org/new-page

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