## EMOTION REGULATION

EMOTION SERIES



Emotion regulation is a crucial skill as our emotions can have a big impact on our thoughts, feelings, and behaviors.

Our emotions are neither good nor bad, but uncontrolled emotions can cause unneeded stress and anxiety.

The goal of this worksheet is to reflect and question the automatic thoughts and beliefs that underlie your emotions. In this way, we can reframe those thoughts and beliefs to regulate the emotions.

We recommend you to finish the minicourse on <u>emotion awareness</u> and <u>emotion regulation</u> first before continuing with this worksheet.

## GUIDE FOR REGULATING EMOTIONS

- 1.Be **aware** when you are experiencing an emotion
- 2. Acknowledge your emotions and give yourself time to feel them
- 3. Reflect on your thoughts
- 4. **Question** those thoughts and beliefs
- 5. **Reframe** your thoughts and **move on**

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What happened? What were you doing?	What were you thinking? What were you saying to yourself?	What were you feeling in response? How strong were they (1- 10)?

## REFLECT

Now, let's reflect on those thoughts and beliefs. Sometimes your emotions overshadow everything else that you are not thinking clearly. Let's try to question these thoughts and beliefs. This will help us reframe them and see the bigger picture.

•	is there any evidence supporting it?			
	○Yes	○ Maybe	ONo	
•	Is there any evidence against it?			
	○ Yes	○ Maybe	ONo	
•	Are there other factors I am ignoring			
	○ Yes	○ Maybe	ONo	
•	Are there any other explanations?			
		○Maybe	○No	

•	Am I overreacting or jumping to conclusion?				
	○Yes	○ Maybe	ONo		
•	• Will it matter in a day?				
	○Yes	○ Maybe	ONo		
•	Is there anything I can do about it?				
		○ Maybe	○No		
•	<ul> <li>Is it helpful for me to be thinking this way?</li> </ul>				
	○ Yes	○Maybe	ONo		

Reflect. Question. Reframe. Move On.

Click <u>here</u> for the next part of the mini-course on how to be happier

