Overthinking And Anxiety Reset Workbook

A practical reflection worksheet for grounding, slowing thoughts, and choosing one doable next step.

Use this at your own pace. Skip, adapt, pause, or stop. You are allowed to choose what fits your body, culture, privacy, energy, safety, access needs, and real-life limits today.

This is a reflection tool, not a test. One honest sentence, one checked box, or one small next step can be enough.

A printable reflection and practice resource

The Overthinking

& Anxiety Reset

Understand the Cycle, Tolerate Uncertainty

& Move Forward With Greater Freedom

NOTICE THE LOOP (cid:127) RESPOND WITH SKILL

CHOOSE ACTION (cid:127) RETURN TO THE PRESENT

A Practical Guide To Anxiety & Overthinking

Welcome

Anxiety is a human alarm system involving thoughts, body sensations, attention, emotion, and behavior. Overthinking is often an attempt to create certainty, prevent mistakes, or feel prepared. Both can be understandable - and both can become exhausting when the strategies used for relief keep the cycle going.

This workbook may help you:

Understand the anxiety cycle Recognize physical anxiety Separate worry from problem-solving Question catastrophic predictions Tolerate uncertainty Reduce reassurance loops Approach manageable fears Respond to intrusive thoughts Loosen perfectionism Make decisions with enough information Sleep with a busy mind Build a maintenance plan The goal is not never feeling anxious. It is having more freedom in how you respond.

Each skill has a full educational guide and a full-page exercise. Begin with safety and grounding when highly activated. Use reflection when you can think, and seek qualified help when anxiety exceeds self-help.

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The Short-Term Relief Loop

Why Anxiety Keeps Repeating

Trigger

An uncertain event, sensation, thought, memory, responsibility, or possible threat catches attention.

Prediction

The mind imagines danger, failure, rejection, illness, regret, or loss of control.

Alarm

The body mobilizes through tension, racing heart, shallow breathing, nausea, restlessness, or narrowed attention.

Safety behavior

Avoiding, checking, researching, rehearsing, asking for reassurance, controlling, or mentally reviewing brings temporary relief.

Learning

Because relief follows the safety behavior, the brain may learn that the behavior prevented danger and should be repeated.

Maintenance

The feared prediction receives less opportunity to be tested, uncertainty feels less tolerable, and the cycle strengthens.

A behavior can reduce anxiety now and strengthen anxiety later. That is why relief alone is not the only measure.

A short-term relief behavior I want to understand:

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They Can Feel Similar

Worry, Rumination & Problem-Solving

Worry

Usually future-focused: "What if...?" It often repeats possible dangers without reaching a workable next step.

Rumination

Usually past- or self-focused: replaying what happened, why you feel this way, or what it means about you.

Problem-solving Defines a specific influenceable problem, generates options, chooses a step, acts, and reviews the result.

Reflection

Explores experience to understand, learn, grieve, make meaning, or choose - then eventually pauses or closes.

Mental compulsion Thinking performed to obtain certainty, neutralize distress, prove safety, or feel "just right." It may offer brief relief and invite repetition.

A useful question:

Is this thinking producing a decision, action, understanding, or compassionate closure - or only another round?

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The kind of thinking I experience most often:

How I know it has stopped being useful:

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Realistic Benefits

How This Workbook May Help

The exercises cannot guarantee calm or eliminate uncertainty. They may increase psychological flexibility: the ability to notice anxiety, make room for discomfort, and choose behavior based on facts, values, safety, and current priorities. _____

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Practice may help you become more able to:

Catch the loop sooner Approach fears gradually Name the feared prediction Allow thoughts without neutralizing _____

_____ Recognize safety behaviors Tolerate imperfection Ground during physical anxiety Reduce checking Postpone repetitive worry Return attention to life Use balanced thinking Ask for appropriate support Make decisions without total certainty Recover after setbacks Progress may look like doing what matters while anxiety is present - not waiting until anxiety disappears.

The freedom I most want anxiety to stop taking from me:

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Map Your Anxiety Cycle - Learn

Anxiety often follows a repeatable loop involving trigger, prediction, body alarm, urge, safety behavior, relief, and longer-term cost.

Why this may help Mapping the loop can reveal several intervention points instead of treating anxiety as one uncontrollable event.

How to use the skill

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1. Choose one recent episode.

2. Write each link in order.

3. Identify the short-term relief and long-term cost.

4. Circle the earliest realistic intervention point.

Example

Example: Email arrives, prediction of criticism, tight chest, repeated rereading, brief relief, then greater doubt.

Gentle caution Understanding a loop does not mean you caused the stressor.

A real situation where this skill may fit:

After trying it, what will I look for or learn?

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Map Your Anxiety Cycle - Practice

Trigger:

Prediction or meaning:

Body alarm and emotion:

Urge and safety behavior:

Short-term relief:

Long-term cost and intervention point:

Continue with observations, examples, or next steps:

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Recognize Physical Anxiety - Learn

The fight-flight-freeze system can create real physical sensations even when the threat is uncertain or psychological.

Why this may help Accurate recognition may reduce secondary fear and guide grounding or medical evaluation.

How to use the skill

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1. List sensations and intensity.

2. Notice context, onset, and duration.

3. Separate sensation from catastrophic interpretation.

4. Choose an appropriate response and monitor change.

Example

Example: "Racing heart" is the sensation; "I will collapse" is the prediction.

Gentle caution New, severe, or concerning physical symptoms require medical attention.

A real situation where this skill may fit:

After trying it, what will I look for or learn?

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Recognize Physical Anxiety - Practice

Sensation, location, and intensity:

Context and duration:

What my anxious mind predicts it means:

Other possible explanations:

Grounding, care, or medical step:

Continue with observations, examples, or next steps:

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Separate Possibility From Probability - Learn

Anxiety treats "possible" as if it means "likely" or "certain."

Why this may help Estimating probability and coping capacity can restore proportion without demanding a guarantee.

How to use the skill

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1. Name the feared event specifically.

2. Estimate likelihood using actual evidence.

3. Compare with alternative outcomes.

4. Plan proportionate preparation and coping.

Example

Example: A mistake is possible; catastrophe is not therefore the most likely outcome.

Gentle caution Probability estimates are imperfect and should not replace expert advice in high-stakes situations.

A real situation where this skill may fit:

After trying it, what will I look for or learn?

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Separate Possibility From Probability - Practice

Feared possibility:

Evidence about probability:

More likely or alternative outcomes:

If it happened, what coping options exist?

Proportionate action - not total prevention:

Continue with observations, examples, or next steps:

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Work With Catastrophic Predictions - Learn

Catastrophizing jumps from uncertainty to the worst outcome and often underestimates coping, support, and recovery.

Why this may help A fuller forecast can include difficulty without treating it as total ruin.

How to use the skill

1. Write the worst-case prediction.

2. Name the most likely case.

3. Identify a realistic difficult case.

4. Plan coping and support for what is actually plausible.

Example

Example: "The interview will be awkward" is difficult; "My career is over" is a catastrophic conclusion.

Gentle caution Balanced thinking is not minimizing genuine danger.

A real situation where this skill may fit:

After trying it, what will I look for or learn?

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Work With Catastrophic Predictions - Practice

Worst-case story:

Most likely outcome:

Realistic difficult outcome:

Coping resources:

More complete forecast:

Continue with observations, examples, or next steps:

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Schedule Worry Time - Learn

Worry postponement gives repetitive worry a defined container rather than unlimited access to the day.

Why this may help Practicing redirection may strengthen attention and show that every worry does not require immediate analysis.

How to use the skill

1. Choose a daily 15-20 minute period.

2. Briefly record worries when they arise.

3. Redirect to the present task without solving them.

4. At worry time, review and choose action, acceptance, or release.

Example

Example: "I will place this on my 6:00 worry list and return to cooking."

Gentle caution This is not appropriate for urgent safety, medical, or time-sensitive action.

A real situation where this skill may fit:

After trying it, what will I look for or learn?

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Schedule Worry Time - Practice

My worry period:

Worries captured today:

Which requires action?

Which requires acceptance or support?

Which no longer feels urgent?

Continue with observations, examples, or next steps:

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Reduce Reassurance Loops - Learn

Repeated reassurance may briefly lower anxiety while teaching the mind that certainty must come from checking again.

Why this may help A planned reduction can build internal tolerance and preserve relationships.

How to use the skill

1. Identify the question and usual reassurance source.

2. Notice how long relief lasts.

3. Delay or reduce one repetition.

4. Use a coping statement and observe the anxiety curve.

Example

Example: Ask once about the plan, then tolerate the urge to ask three more times.

Gentle caution Appropriate information-seeking and safety consultation are not the same as compulsive reassurance.

A real situation where this skill may fit:

After trying it, what will I look for or learn?

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Reduce Reassurance Loops - Practice

Reassurance question or behavior:

Relief duration and longer-term effect:

One reasonable information check:

What I will delay or reduce:

Coping statement and result:

Continue with observations, examples, or next steps:

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Interrupt Checking - Learn

Checking can involve locks, messages, symptoms, work, memories, finances, or other concerns. Repeated checking can reduce trust in memory and increase doubt.

Why this may help Setting a reasonable check and stopping point may weaken the "one more time" loop.

How to use the skill

1. Define a reasonable standard in advance.

2. Complete the check slowly and attentively once.

3. Mark completion if useful.

4. Allow the urge to rise and fall without repeating.

Example

Example: Verify the attachment once using a checklist, send, and close the email.

Gentle caution

Safety-critical procedures should follow professional standards, not arbitrary reduction.

A real situation where this skill may fit:

After trying it, what will I look for or learn?

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Interrupt Checking - Practice

What I check and how often:

Reasonable standard:

One-check procedure:

Urge after stopping ____ /10 What happened when I did not repeat?

Continue with observations, examples, or next steps:

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Approach Avoidance Gradually - Learn

Avoidance provides immediate relief and can prevent corrective learning, skill-building, and valued living.

Why this may help A graded approach can build tolerance and evidence without flooding.

How to use the skill

1. Create a ladder from easiest to hardest.

2. Rate expected anxiety 0-10.

3. Choose a manageable step and remain long enough to learn.

4. Repeat or adjust based on safety and capacity.

Example

Example: Read one job posting, save one, edit one resume line, then apply.

Gentle caution Do not use exposure for unsafe situations, abuse, discrimination, or trauma work without appropriate support.

A real situation where this skill may fit:

After trying it, what will I look for or learn?

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Approach Avoidance Gradually - Practice

Avoided situation:

Step 1 and anxiety ____ /10 Step 2 and anxiety ____ /10 Step 3 and anxiety ____ /10

Chosen step, support, and result:

Continue with observations, examples, or next steps:

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Tolerate Uncertainty - Learn

Uncertainty is unavoidable. Anxiety often demands certainty before action, rest, trust, or decision.

Why this may help Practicing "maybe" can reduce the endless work of proving safety or predicting the future.

How to use the skill

1. Name the uncertainty plainly.

2. Notice attempts to eliminate it.

3. Choose a reasonable action based on current information.

4. Practice allowing the unanswered remainder.

Example

Example: "I may or may not be liked. I can communicate respectfully and let the response belong to them."

Gentle caution Uncertainty tolerance does not require ignoring known risks or needed information.

A real situation where this skill may fit:

After trying it, what will I look for or learn?

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Tolerate Uncertainty - Practice

What I cannot know for certain:

What I do to eliminate uncertainty:

What is reasonable to know or do?

What remains unanswered?

My uncertainty-tolerance statement:

Continue with observations, examples, or next steps:

Module 10 Of 21 - Psychoeducation

Make Decisions With Enough Information - Learn

Decision paralysis grows when the mind demands a perfect, regret-free choice.

Why this may help Defining enough information and a deadline may support movement while preserving thoughtful choice.

How to use the skill

1. Name the decision and stakes.

2. List required versus optional information.

3. Set a review deadline.

4. Choose the next reversible step when possible.

Example

Example: Tour two programs and compare key criteria instead of researching every possible program.

Gentle caution High-stakes legal, medical, or financial decisions may require professional guidance.

A real situation where this skill may fit:

After trying it, what will I look for or learn?

Module 10 Of 21 - Structured Application

Make Decisions With Enough Information - Practice

Decision and deadline:

Required information:

Optional information I can stop chasing:

Values and criteria:

Next reversible or committed step:

Continue with observations, examples, or next steps:

Module 11 Of 21 - Psychoeducation

Loosen Perfectionism - Learn

Perfectionism links worth or safety to impossible standards, excessive effort, delay, checking, or avoidance.

Why this may help Choosing "fit for purpose" can increase completion, learning, and flexibility.

How to use the skill

1. Define the actual purpose.

2. Set a good-enough standard before beginning.

3. Limit time or revisions.

4. Submit, share, or stop and review the real consequence.

Example

Example: A clear internal email may not require ten revisions.

Gentle caution Some tasks genuinely require precision; use the standard appropriate to the stakes.

A real situation where this skill may fit:

After trying it, what will I look for or learn?

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Loosen Perfectionism - Practice

Task and actual purpose:

Perfectionistic rule:

Fit-for-purpose standard:

Time or revision limit:

What happened when I stopped?

Continue with observations, examples, or next steps:

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Respond to Intrusive Thoughts - Learn Intrusive thoughts are unwanted mental events. Their presence does not automatically reveal desire, intent, character, or probability.

Why this may help Labeling and allowing a thought without analysis or neutralization may reduce the importance assigned to it.

How to use the skill

1. Name it as "I am having the thought that..."

2. Notice the urge to analyze, confess, avoid, or neutralize.

3. Allow uncertainty about why it appeared.

4. Return attention to a chosen activity.

Example

Example: "My mind produced a frightening image; I do not need to solve what its presence means."

Gentle caution Thoughts involving intent, plans, or inability to stay safe require immediate professional or crisis support.

A real situation where this skill may fit:

After trying it, what will I look for or learn?

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Respond to Intrusive Thoughts - Practice Intrusive thought theme - use only as much detail as helpful:

Meaning anxiety assigns to it:

Neutralizing or avoidance urge:

Defusion statement:

Activity I will return to:

What I observed:

Continue with observations, examples, or next steps:

Module 13 Of 21 - Psychoeducation

Stop Mental Review - Learn

Mental review repeatedly replays conversations, choices, memories, or sensations to reach certainty.

Why this may help Recognizing review as a process can help you disengage even when the content feels important.

How to use the skill

1. Notice the first repeated loop.

2. Ask whether new information is being produced.

3. Name the urge for certainty or self-protection.

4. Redirect to a sensory or values-based action.

Example

Example: Replaying a sentence for the tenth time is unlikely to produce a reliable answer about how it sounded.

Gentle caution Intentional reflection with a clear question and stopping point can still be useful.

A real situation where this skill may fit:

After trying it, what will I look for or learn?

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Stop Mental Review - Practice

What I keep replaying:

What certainty I am seeking:

Is new information appearing?

Stopping statement:

Present or values-based action:

Continue with observations, examples, or next steps:

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- Use a Balanced Coping Statement - Learn

A coping statement acknowledges uncertainty and distress while reminding you of choice and capacity.

Why this may help Credible language can support action better than forced reassurance.

How to use the skill

1. Name the feared prediction.

2. Remove guarantees and exaggerated certainty.

3. Add coping, support, values, or present facts.

4. Repeat while taking a chosen action.

Example

Example: "This may be uncomfortable. I can pause, ask for help, and respond to what actually happens."

Gentle caution A coping statement is not a substitute for safety action.

A real situation where this skill may fit:

After trying it, what will I look for or learn?

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- Use a Balanced Coping Statement - Practice

Anxious prediction:

Guarantee or exaggeration to remove:

Coping capacity or support to add:

My balanced statement:

Action I will pair with it:

Continue with observations, examples, or next steps:

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Calm the Body Without Fighting It - Learn Regulation can signal safety and reduce secondary panic, but forcing calm can become another struggle.

Why this may help Gentle breath, movement, temperature, pressure, or orienting may help the body move through activation.

How to use the skill

1. Rate activation and choose one tolerable skill.

2. Practice briefly without demanding zero anxiety.

3. Notice any small shift in body or attention.

4. Stop, switch, or seek support if symptoms worsen.

Example

Example: Lengthen the exhale slightly while keeping breathing comfortable, or press feet into the floor.

Gentle caution Breathing exercises do not fit everyone; medical symptoms need assessment.

A real situation where this skill may fit:

After trying it, what will I look for or learn?

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Calm the Body Without Fighting It - Practice Activation before ____ /10

Skill chosen and why:

Body response during practice:

Activation after ____ /10 What helped, did not help, or needs adapting?

Continue with observations, examples, or next steps:

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Sleep With a Busy Mind - Learn Nighttime worry grows when fatigue reduces flexibility and the bed becomes a place for planning or checking.

Why this may help A wind-down routine and worry parking place may protect sleep while preserving important concerns for daytime.

How to use the skill

1. Create a brief brain-dump before bed.

2. Identify tomorrow's first action for solvable items.

3. Use a consistent low-stimulation wind-down.

4. If awake, follow appropriate sleep guidance rather than intensive

problem-solving.

Example

Example: Write "call insurance at 10" and tell the mind the task has a place tomorrow.

Gentle caution Persistent insomnia or sleep changes deserve medical or clinical support.

A real situation where this skill may fit:

After trying it, what will I look for or learn?

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Sleep With a Busy Mind - Practice

Thoughts I need to park:

Tomorrow's first action:

Wind-down steps:

What I will avoid doing in bed:

Support needed for sleep:

Continue with observations, examples, or next steps:

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Handle Social Anxiety Predictions - Learn

Social anxiety predicts scrutiny, rejection, embarrassment, or visible anxiety and may drive avoidance or post-event review.

Why this may help Attention training and behavioral experiments can test predictions while supporting authentic participation.

How to use the skill

1. Write the feared social prediction.

2. Shift some attention outward to the actual conversation.

3. Try one manageable participation step.

4. Compare prediction with observable evidence and stop excessive review.

Example

Example: Ask one question and notice the answer rather than monitoring every facial expression.

Gentle caution

- Choose safe, respectful settings and account for real bias or discrimination.

A real situation where this skill may fit:

After trying it, what will I look for or learn?

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Handle Social Anxiety Predictions - Practice

Situation and feared prediction:

Self-focused attention I notice:

Outward focus cue:

Participation step:

Observable result - not mind reading:

Continue with observations, examples, or next steps:

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Address Health Anxiety Loops - Learn

Health anxiety may involve scanning, searching, checking, avoiding, or repeatedly seeking certainty about symptoms.

Why this may help A medically informed plan can separate appropriate care from repeated anxiety-driven checking.

How to use the skill

1. Identify symptoms and actual medical guidance.

2. Define when and how to seek care.

3. Limit unplanned searching or repeated checks.

4. Use coping for the uncertainty between appropriate evaluations.

Example

Example: Follow the clinician's monitoring plan rather than checking the symptom every ten minutes.

Gentle caution Do not dismiss symptoms as anxiety; obtain appropriate medical evaluation.

A real situation where this skill may fit:

After trying it, what will I look for or learn?

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Address Health Anxiety Loops - Practice

Symptom and medical guidance already received:

Reasonable care threshold:

Anxiety-driven checks or searches:

Plan for limiting the loop:

Coping and support between evaluations:

Continue with observations, examples, or next steps:

Module 19 Of 21 - Psychoeducation

Act From Values, Not Alarm - Learn

Values describe how you want to behave even when anxiety is present.

Why this may help Values-based action can shift the goal from "feel no fear" to "live more fully." How to use the skill

1. Name what anxiety urges you to do.

2. Choose the value involved.

3. Design one action small enough to attempt.

4. Let anxiety come along without giving it the steering wheel.

Example

Example: Anxiety says avoid the call; connection says send a brief message.

Gentle caution Values do not require unsafe action or ignoring capacity.

A real situation where this skill may fit:

After trying it, what will I look for or learn?

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Act From Values, Not Alarm - Practice

Anxiety urges me to...

The value I want to express:

Small action:

Support that keeps it manageable:

What I learned by acting with anxiety present:

Continue with observations, examples, or next steps:

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Plan for Setbacks - Learn Anxiety often returns during stress, illness, change, loss, poor sleep, conflict, or new demands. A return of symptoms is not proof that all progress is gone.

Why this may help A setback plan can shorten the time between recurrence and skillful response.

How to use the skill

1. List early signs and common conditions.

2. Name skills that helped before.

3. Identify behaviors that quietly restart the loop.

4. Set thresholds for professional or crisis support.

Example

Example: Increased checking after poor sleep prompts rest, reduced research, and a therapist check-in.

Gentle caution

Safety concerns require immediate action, not a wait-and-see plan.

A real situation where this skill may fit:

After trying it, what will I look for or learn?

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Plan for Setbacks - Practice

Early signs:

Conditions that increase vulnerability:

Helpful first responses:

Loop-maintaining behaviors to watch:

Professional or crisis support thresholds:

Continue with observations, examples, or next steps:

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Create Your Anxiety Freedom Plan - Learn

An anxiety plan integrates regulation, thinking skills, uncertainty practice, values-based action, support, and review.

Why this may help A personalized plan makes tools easier to access and keeps the goal focused on freedom rather than perfect calm.

How to use the skill

1. Choose your most useful tools.

2. Match them to early, moderate, and high anxiety.

3. Include values-based weekly action.

4. Schedule review and professional follow-up as needed.

Example

Example: Ground at early signs, postpone worry at moderate intensity, seek support when functioning or safety declines.

Gentle caution

- Keep the plan realistic and individualized.

A real situation where this skill may fit:

After trying it, what will I look for or learn?

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Create Your Anxiety Freedom Plan - Practice

Early anxiety tools:

Moderate anxiety tools:

High anxiety and support plan:

Weekly values-based action:

Behaviors I want to reduce:

Review date and next support step:

Continue with observations, examples, or next steps:

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Integration Challenge

My 7-Day Anxiety Freedom Practice

- Choose a manageable version. The aim is useful learning, not a perfect streak.

Progress is not the absence of anxiety. It is greater freedom in what you do next.

DAY 1 - Map one anxiety loop.

DAY 2 - Notice one physical anxiety signal without catastrophizing it.

DAY 3 - Postpone one repetitive worry or reassurance check.

DAY 4 - Use one balanced coping statement.

DAY 5 - Take one graded approach step.

DAY 6 - Make one decision with enough information.

DAY 7 - Take one values-based action and review the week.

Most useful learning:

Tool to repeat or adapt:

Next freedom step:

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Compassionate Closing

A Note to My Anxious Mind

- Write to the part of you that tries to protect you through prediction, checking, rehearsal, or avoidance.

I understand that you are trying to...

What you are afraid might happen is...

What I know about my ability to cope is...

You do not have to solve...

Today I am choosing...

Additional reflections, examples, or notes:

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