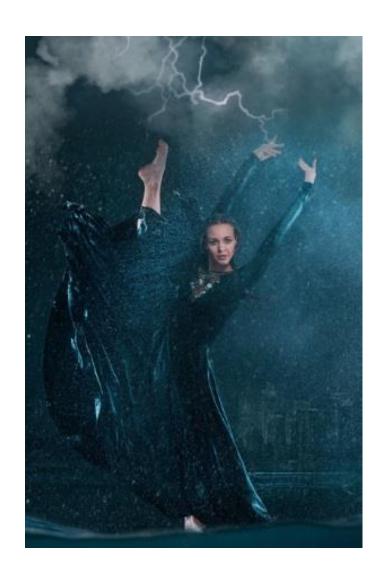




Cultivating Happiness: How to Create Your Own Happiness Regardless of What Life Throws at You



You can dance in a hurricane, but only if you're standing in the eye."

~Brandi Carlile



#### **Objectives**

During today's webinar, you will learn:

- A basic understanding of Emotional Intelligence how to manage your emotions before they manage you.
- The relationship between thoughts and feelings how to change your mind and change your world.
- Daily practices that promote happiness what sets you free.





VS.



**LIFE IS 10%** 

WHAT HAPPENS TO YOU

**AND 90%** 

**HOW YOU REACT TO IT** 



There is nothing outside of yourself That can ever enable you To get better, stronger, richer, Quicker or smarter. Everything is within. Everything exists. Seek nothing Outside of yourself. -Miyamoto Musashi

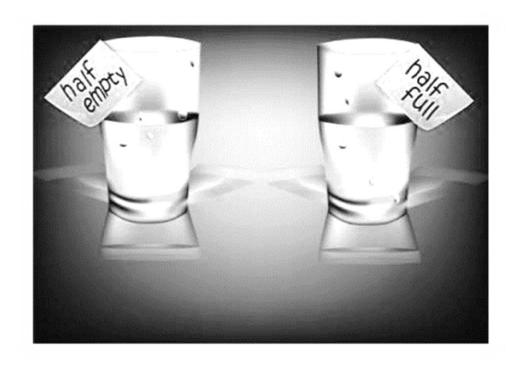
#### *Top ten emotions*

- 1. Amusement
- 2. Interest
- 3. Surprised
- 4. Happiness
- 5. Delight

- 6. Pleasure
- 7. Joy
- 8. Hope
- 9. Affection
- 10. Excitement

## "There is nothing either good or bad but thinking makes it so."

~William Shakespeare

















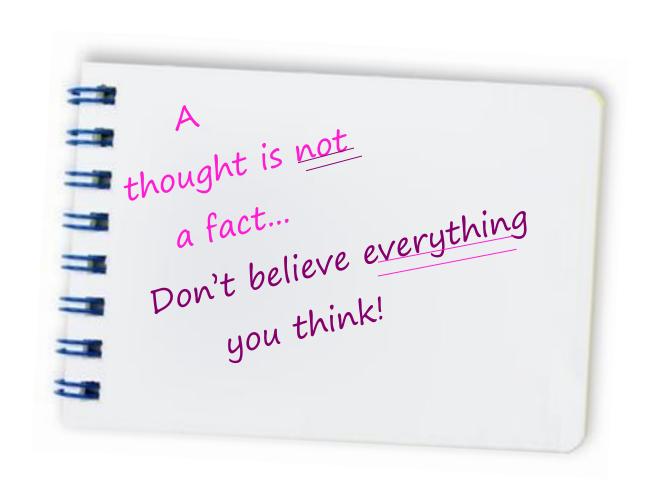












#### Ten common cognitive distortions

All or nothing thinking

Overgeneralization

Mental Filter

Discounting the positive

Jumping to conclusions

Magnification or minimization

**Emotional reasoning** 

Should statements

Labeling

Personalization and blame

#### Ten ways to untwist your thinking

Identify the distortion

Examine the evidence

The double-standard method

The experimental technique

Thinking in shades of grey

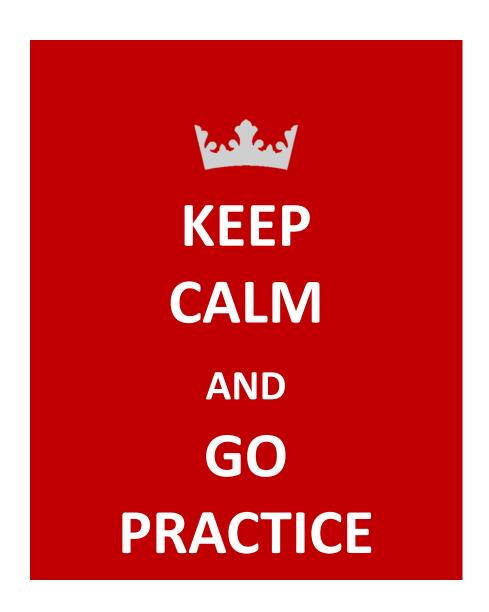
The survey method

Define terms

The semantic method

Re-attribution

Cost benefit analysis



#### Behaviors that promote happiness

Meditation

Practicing mindfulness

Exercise

Pursuing hobbies

**Psychotherapy** 

Rest

Flying kites

Eating healthy

Making new friends

Taking positive risks

Joining support groups

Volunteering

Creating art



You should sit in meditation for 20 minutes per day. Unless you're too busy; then you should sit for an hour.

#### ~Zen Proverb



"The thought manifests as the word; The word manifests as the deed; The deed develops into habit; And habit hardens into character; So watch the thought and its ways with care, And let it spring from love Born out of concern for all beings As the shadow follows the body, As we think, so we become.

~Buddha



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