MENTAL HEALTH THRIVAL KIT
This breathing exercise can help with stress and even sleep. Breathe in for a count of 4, hold for 7 seconds, and then breathe out for 8 seconds. Repeat!

Take a deep breath and name...

- **5 things you see around you.** 당신이 주변에서 보는 5 가지를
- **4 things you can touch around you.** 당신이 주변에서 만질 수 있는 4 가지를
- **3 things you hear.** 들리는 3 가지를
- **2 things you can smell.** 당신이 냄새 맡을 수 있는 2 가지를
- **1 thing you can taste.** 당신이 맛을 느낄 수 있는 1 가지를
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Today, I am proud of 
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Ways to Cope

Tough times are part of life. Coping is how we draw on the inner strength and resilience that allows us to keep going, protecting us when we might feel like giving up.

**Get Creative**
Create something! Becoming absorbed in creative activities has been shown to help our minds combat stress and can help break negative thought patterns.

**Use Your Imagination**
Imagining positive future events or daydreaming about people we care about can increase happiness. Visualizing ourselves doing tasks (a technique called “mental rehearsal”) can help us perform them more effectively in everyday life.

**Talk It Out**
Stay connected to those who matter to you. Talk openly about any challenges you are facing with someone supportive. You are not alone in your journey.

**Rest**
Productivity is important, but so is rest. We can’t function optimally when we’re exhausted.
Both mental health and physical well-being factor into our overall productivity and focus. Self-care helps us check-in with ourselves, recharge and can even improve cognitive function and problem-solving. Investing in self-care reminds us of our value and helps us be the best version of ourselves we can be!

Ways to Cope that Work for Me

- Make Some Music
- Drink a Comforting Beverage
- Write or Read Poetry
- Watch the Clouds
- Turn off all Electronics
- Eat Twice as Slow
- Journal
- Sleep
- Drink Water
- Exercise
- Clean, Declutter, Organize
- Touch Something Soft
- Write a Kind Note to Someone
- Rest Your Mind
- Read, Doodle, Paint, or Color
- Play with Somms
- Class Your Eyes and Count Backwards
- Visualize a Peaceful Place
- Talk to Someone
- Puzzle
- Take 20 Deep Breaths
- Do 20 Jumping Jacks
- Watch the Stars
- Buy or Pick Some Flowers (and Smell Them!)
- Write Down One Thing You Are Thankful For

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Self Affirmation

We all want to make others proud of us, but navigating pressures from family members, cultural expectations, and societal norms can wear us down. When this happens, it’s important that we build ourselves back up. Self-affirmations remind us of our worth, defend against stress, and can help us weather difficult circumstances.

Self-affirmations should be authentic to you and your beliefs. Think of some statements you can use to remind yourself of your strengths and abilities, as well as what you are grateful for or working toward. Focus on these statements regularly – such as every morning or before bed – but especially when you need to ground yourself or shift your mindset. (You can also use the examples below as inspiration if you’re not sure where to start.)

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- I am enough and am loved by friends and family.
- I believe in myself and will reach my goals.
- I have come so far already and will keep improving myself each day.
- My life is full of potential, and I am grateful for the opportunities in front of me.
I AM ENOUGH
I HAVE THE RIGHT TO FOLLOW MY DREAMS
I AM HOPEFUL
I AM COURAGEOUS
I AM PURPOSEFUL
I AM LOVED
I AM LOVE
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Write It Out!

Remember that there are different ways to express yourself and your feelings: you can draw, write a poem, bullet journal and more. Here are some prompts to get you started.

1. **Think about your reasons for living.** Write down three things or people that bring you joy, give you hope, or fill you with a sense of purpose.

2. **What is the biggest dream you have for yourself?** What do you most want to accomplish and why is this dream important to you? What steps have you already taken on the path to your goal?

3. **What’s your favorite recipe to prepare?** Write it out, reflecting on any memories you associate with that recipe. How does preparing it make you feel?

4. **What are some ways in which you support your friends, family or community?** How does helping others make you feel?

Submit narratives, poems and art for prizes:

www.DirectingChangeCA.org
Express Yourself!
Create a film, song, narrative or piece of art and submit for an opportunity to win prizes and recognitions.

Annual Film Contest:
- Suicide Prevention
- Mental Health
- Walk in Our Shoes
- Through the Lens of Culture

Monthly Art & Film Contests:

Hope
What helps you get through tough times? What do you see or experience in your life or community right now that gives you hope for the future?

Justice
What changes do you want to see in your community? What can young people do to take a stand against injustice?

Check the website for contest rules, special topic prompts, prizes and deadlines.

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Youth Suicide Warning Signs

*Talk to a trusted adult or reach out to someone you are concerned about if you observe one or more of these warning signs, especially if the behavior is new, has increased or seems related to a painful event, loss or change.*

1. Talking about or making plans for suicide
2. Expressing hopelessness about the future
3. Displaying severe/overwhelming emotional pain or distress
4. Showing worrisome behavioral cues or changes in behavior, such as:
   - Withdrawal from or changing in social connections/situations
   - Changes in sleep (increased or decreased)
   - Anger or hostility that seems out of character or out of context
   - Recent increased agitation or irritability

If you are concerned about someone, reach out and ask:

"Are you thinking about suicide?"

Whatever you're going through, you're not alone. If you're in pain or concerned for someone else, call or text 988, or chat 988lifeline.org to reach the Suicide & Crisis Line (24/7). You can also visit suicideispreventable.org for more information.
자살의 위험 신호들

자살을 생각하는 사람들은 심한 절망감을 느낍니다. 아무도 자신을 도울 수 없다는 생각과 다른 사람에게 짐이 되지 않고 싶은 마음에 자살을 고통의 유일한 해결책으로 여기는 상황이 발생할 수 있습니다.

만약 친구나 가족이 평상시와 다른 다음과 같은 행동을 보이면 즉시 다가가서 도움을 제공해주십시오.

• 죽고 싶다고 하거나 자살에 대해 언급
• 자해나 자살 도구를 마련함
• 사랑하는 이에게 ‘더 잘해 주고 싶었는데 그렇게 하지 못해 미안하다’는 말을 함
• 삶의 목표 상실
• 주변 사람들에게 계속 실망을 안겨 준다고 생각함
• 절망감, 자포자기, 갇혀 있는 느낌

누군가에 대해 염려가 된다면, 손을 내밀어 다음과 같이 질문하십시오:

"자살을 생각하고 있으십니까?"

당신이 어떤 일을 겪고 있든, 당신은 혼자가 아닙니다. 당신이 고통 중에 있거나 또는 다른 사람이 염려된다면, 988에 전화를 하거나 문자를 보내거나, 또는 988lifeline.org에서 Suicide & Crisis Line (24/7) (자살 및 위기 전화)를 통해 말씀을 나누십시오. 또한 suicideispreventable.org 를 방문하셔서 좀 더 자세한 정보를 얻으실 수 있습니다.
Teen Line:
Call 1-800-852-8336 (from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. PST)
Text TEEN to 839863 (from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. PST)
Offering anonymous support for teenagers by phone, text or email. No problem is too small, too large, or too shocking for the trained Teen Line volunteers.

Crisis Text Line:
Text HOPE to 741-741
Connect with a crisis counselor 24/7 to receive high-quality text-based mental health support and crisis intervention.

Suicide & Crisis Lifeline:
Call or text 988, or chat 988lifeline.org.
Trained counselors are available 24/7 to offer support.

Trans Lifeline:
877-565-8860
A 24/7 lifeline run by and for trans people, providing direct emotional and financial support to trans people in crisis.

The Trevor Lifeline:
866-488-7386
The Trevor Project is the leading national organization providing 24/7 crisis intervention and suicide prevention services to lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning (LGBTQ) young people ages 13-24.
The Directing Change Program holds film and art contests for young people in California to learn about the topics of suicide prevention and mental health. By creating short films or art projects, you can learn about suicide prevention, mental health, social justice, and other health topics; share what you’ve learned with others; and communicate positive messages to peers and adults in your community that will inspire them to take action. Win cash prizes and make a difference! To learn how you can get started visit: www.DirectingChangeCA.org

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