

**LESSON 3 WORKBOOK**

**Build Confidence  
That Everything  
Will Be Ok**

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# What It Means To Have Confidence That Everything Will Be OK

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Having confidence that everything will be OK is a special type of confidence. When you feel confident that everything will be OK, you're giving yourself permission to really live your life to the fullest.

A person who feels confident that everything will be OK understands the value of taking risks and trying new things. While being risky and trying new things can be frightening, doing so is the "spice of life" – if people never tried something risky or new, they'd never grow or change throughout their lives.

Having confidence that everything will be OK doesn't guarantee that you know everything will work out exactly as you planned. Life doesn't work that way – if we could all have total control over everything in our lives 100% of the time, we'd be living in a fairy tale existence.

Since people don't have total control over everything, it's important to develop a sense of confidence that everything will be OK, no matter what happens.

If everything turns out as expected, you can move forward as you planned. If everything turns out sour, you can still move forward and keep going – just in a different direction.

When you have confidence that everything will be OK, you aren't guaranteeing definite success. Instead, you're guaranteeing that you'll have a good attitude no matter the outcome and will find a way to keep moving forward.

This type of confidence is also key for not allowing yourself to drown in doubt, or the black hole of misery when you face challenges and obstacles. In these ways the confidence you build in knowing that everything will be OK helps you excel in life.

# Exercise: Develop Your Sense Of Confidence That Everything Will Be OK

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You can learn to feel confident that everything will be OK. It takes time and practice to develop this specific form of confidence because it ebbs and flows with the natural pace of your daily life.

## Let go of any perfectionist attitudes

Building confidence in the idea that everything will be OK doesn't mean everything will always end perfectly. In fact, some situations may end pretty terribly, but this doesn't mean that everything won't be OK in the end.

Does everything in your life have to be perfect?

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Describe your flaws

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**What issues does being a perfectionist cause you?**

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**Flip the script: Change your inner perfectionist script. Use the table below to change negative critical, demanding thoughts into those that are more compassionate and understanding**

<b>Negative Self Talk</b>	<b>Positive Self Talk</b>
You screwed up again	It's okay, you made a mistake, everyone

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**Reach out to your support system for guidance and advice.**

When you keep all your struggles to yourself, you can begin to feel isolated and alone in your hardship. To help boost your confidence that everything will be OK, reach out to someone in your support system for help.

Discuss your problems and concerns with someone you trust, list those people here

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**Commit to yourself in writing how you will let go of control of all the things you cannot control**

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**Think back on past hardships and reflect on your resiliency.**

Reflecting on past hardships is a great way to boost your confidence that everything will be OK

**Describe a past hardship, what happened, how did it turnout, what role did you play**

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**Describe a hardship where everything turned out OK**

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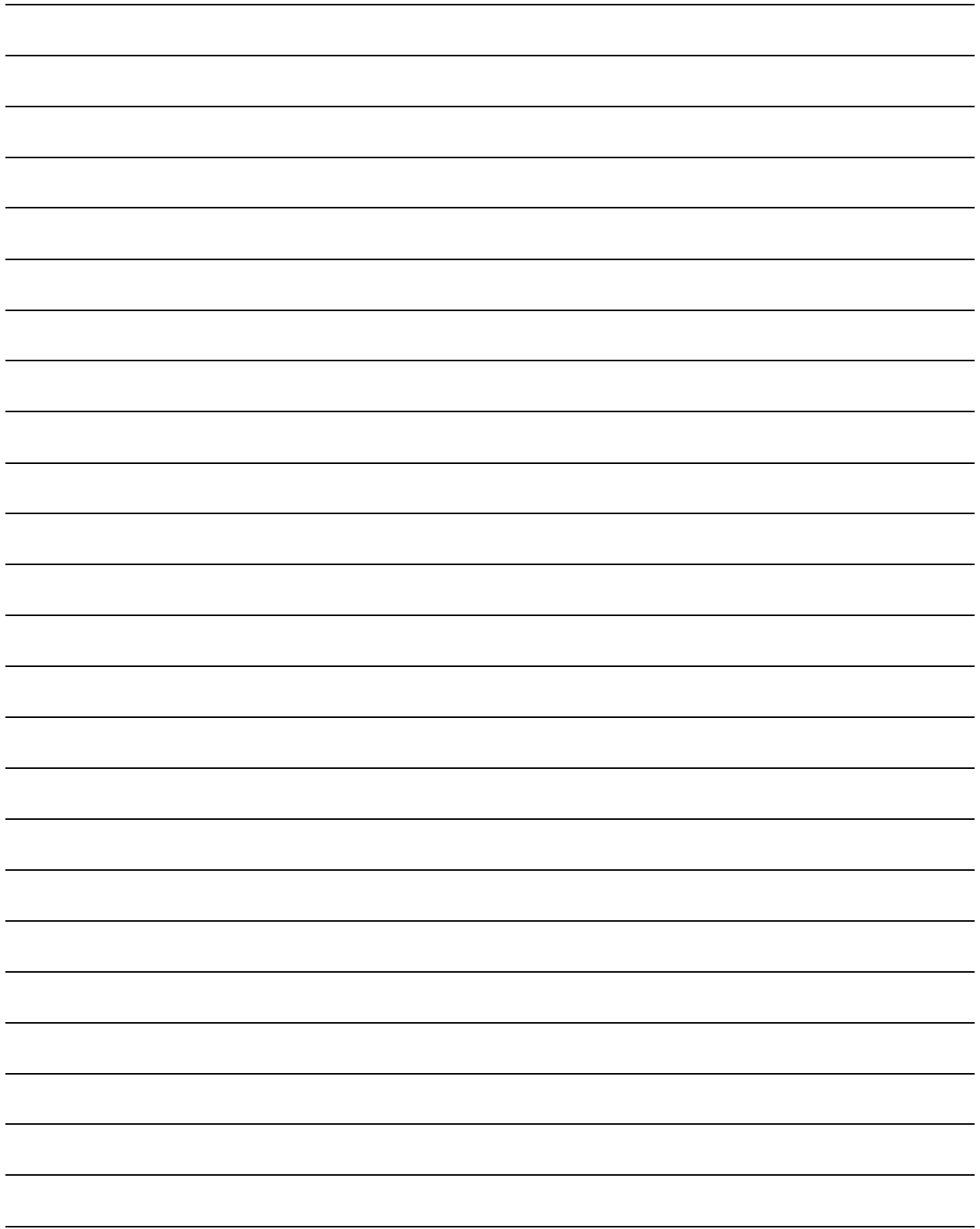
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Use the table below to schedule your self-care activities

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday

**Develop a mantra to help you work through challenging times.**

Mantras are powerful meditation tools and have been used as a method for centering the mind, body, and spirit for thousands of years. Developing a mantra to help you work through tough times is a great way to build more confidence that everything will be OK.

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**Action Step: Let the beginning of each day count as a “fresh start.”**

When you’re going through a tough time, let yourself view each new day as an opportunity to make a fresh start.

**Revisit or create your personal gratitude list.**

Write down everything you are grateful for

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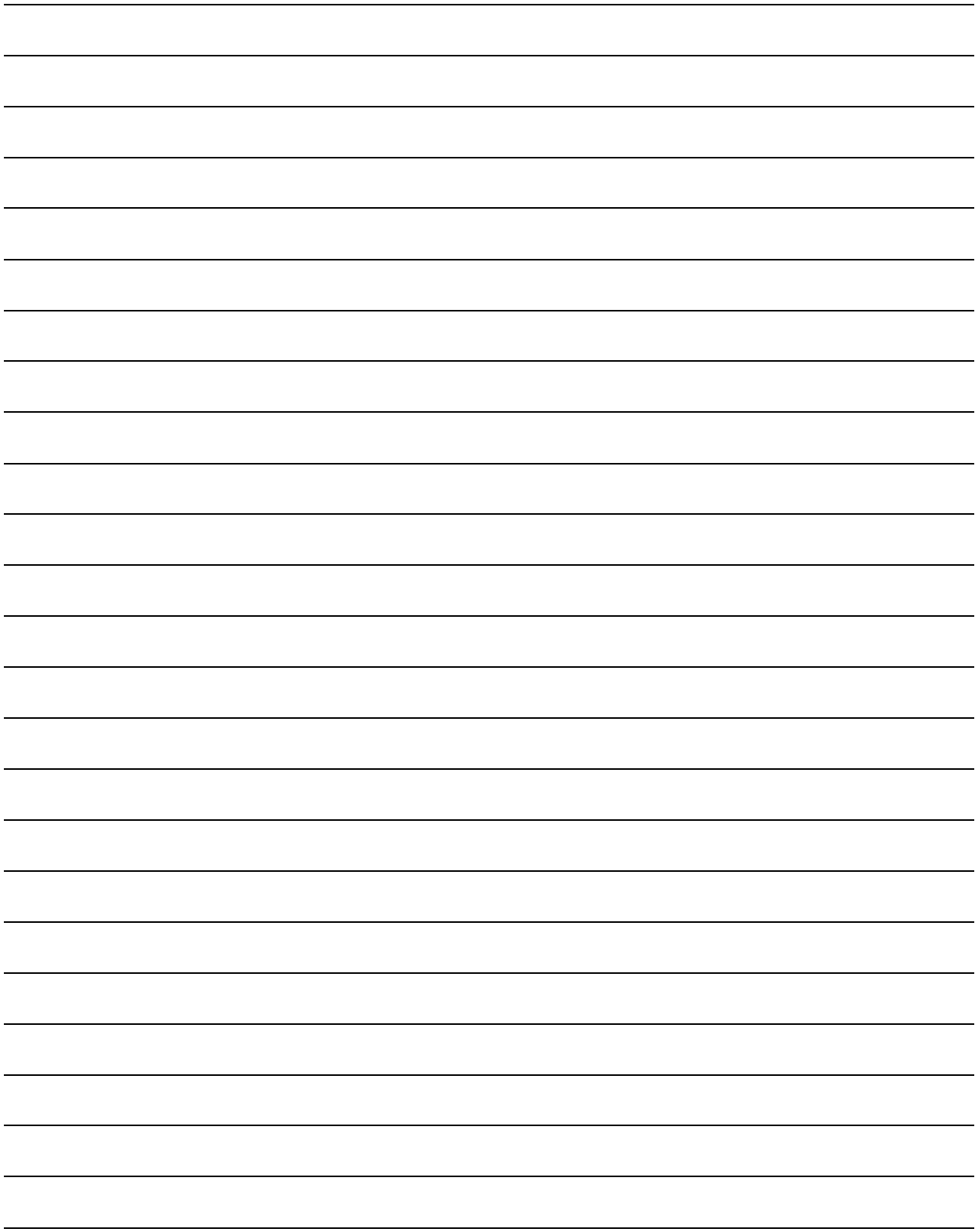
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Write a statement thanking the hard times because they make you appreciate the good times so much more

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**Counter your negative thinking with the facts.**

<b>Negative Thought</b>	<b>Fact</b>
You can't handle anything	I am strong and resilient and have handled many hard times in my life






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**Plan how you will make time for these**

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## **Always Remember that you have yourself.**

One of the most important considerations when developing your confidence that everything will be okay is to find comfort and security in the fact that you have yourself.

- When you have your back, are self-supportive and fight to meet your needs then everything will be ok.
- You have yourself to turn to.
- You practice self-compassion and this helps you get through tough times.
- You are your own best friend, and this keeps you stable and balanced when you face challenges.
- You can rely on your own inner strength.
- You can find your way out of anything life throws at you.
- You are never alone when you stand behind you.

**How do you feel about the above statements?**

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