Anxiety Bundle

WHAT YOU SEE













IRRITATED AND FIDGETY



WHAT YOU DON'T SEE



























INTRUSIVE THOUGHTS



SELF-CARE WHEEL

Self-care is vital for survival. Self-care refers to regular practices that help in reducing stress and maintaining or improving physical and mental well-being. Self-care includes anything you do for yourself that makes you feel better or cared for. This self-care wheel identifies aspects of self-care, providing a simple action plan to manage stress and lead a more balanced life.

Sleep

There is a strong link between sleep and mental health, as inadequate sleep leads to frequent mental distress. A good night's sleep fosters both mental and emotional resilience. It is recommended that healthy adults get 7 to 9 hours of sleep per night.

Gratitude

Gratitude is an effective tool for self-care. Practicing gratitude allows time for reflection on things that are valued and appreciated. Research shows that practicing gratitude daily can increase mental well-being.

Nutrition / Exercise

Exercise strengthens mental health. It releases chemicals like endorphins and serotonin, which enhance mood. Better quality diets are consistently linked with a reduced risk of depression.

SELF-CARE

Boundaries

Setting personal boundaries is a key part of self-care, helping you respect your emotional, psychological, and physical needs.

Social Interaction

Social connection is a powerful resource for self-care. It involves having healthy, supportive relationships that make you feel appreciated and provide a sense of belonging.

Hobbies/Interests

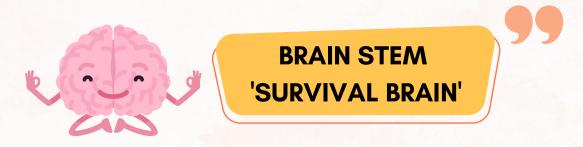
Spending time on activities you enjoy, such as painting, art, knitting, or crochet, helps elevate mood and reduce stress levels.



THE FIGHT OR FLIGHT RESPONSE



Temporarily goes **"offline,"** so the energy usually used by the brain is redirected to other body systems to ensure safety.



Prioritizes survival functions, such as increasing heart rate to pump more oxygen to the body, essential for fighting or running away. This extra energy goes to your limbs to help you move faster and with greater strength.



Emotions become highly intense, serving as a warning system to quickly respond to danger and threats.