

HEAD HIGHER We are the wellbeing ambassadors

project`s exercises





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The project organized two-week-long training sessions where students tested various exercises to enhance wellbeing, evaluated them, and finally selected the best exercises for this e-book. Additionally, students designed posters on the topic. You can also find links to all the exercises from the training in this publication on Padlet.

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EXERCISES



MINDFUL BREATHING



This activity is great for bringing the mind back to the importance of our breath. As it turns out when we're stressed we take shallow breaths. On the other hand, deeper "belly breaths" focus our attention and calm us. Sitting or standing, ask your students to breathe deeply and slowly for around five minutes. Ask them to count to three on the inhale and three again on the exhale. You may like to suggest they put their hands on their stomachs to feel the air as it moves in and out.

Breathe deeply and slowly for around five minutes.

Count to three on the inhale and three again on the exhale.

You can put your hands on your stomach to feel the air as it moves in and out



At the end of every day, participants write down on paper one thing that she/he is grateful for/thankful for.

Today I did well...

Papers are put into a jar. i'm thankful for...

After the week all papers are read to participants.



100 strenghts

1.fair

- 2. appreciative
- 3.careful
- 4. organized
- 5.honest
- 6. precise
- 7. conscientious
- 8. just
- 9. sriving for the best
- 10. polite

11.kind

12.helpful

13. loving

14. friendly

15.warm

- 16. empathetic
- 17. benevolent

18.generous

- 19. socially intelligent
- 20. encouraging
- 21. quick

22. practical

23. concious of beauty

24. resilient

25. purposeful

26.goal-oriented

27. efficient

- 28. solution-oriented
- 29. creative

30. profound

31. sensitive

32. emotional intelligence

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- 36. expressive
- 37. spiritual
- 38. insightful
- 39. intelligent
- 40. wise
- 41. thoughtful
- 42. broad-minded
- 43. considerate
- 44. skillful learner
- 45. independent
- 46. humble
- 47. smart
- 48. nice
- 49. trustworthy
- 50. committed
- 51. able to see other
- points of view
- 52. caring
- 53. prudent
- 54.self- regulating
- 55. loyal
- 56. persistent
- 57. trusting
- 58. respectful
- 59. hardworking
- 60. able to work in
- groups
- 61. curious
- 62. joyful
- 63. self confident
- 64. resourceful
- 65. optimistic ositive Education Oy

66. energitic

- 67. enthusiastic
- 68. positive
- 69. favourable
- 70. grateful
- 71. sense of humour
- 72. versatile
- 73. playful
- 74. fun, funny
- 75. cheerful
- 76. hopeful
- 77. strong
- 78. brave
- 79. decisive
- 80. determined
- 81. sincere
- 82. safe
- 83. convising
- 84. responsible
- 85. leader
- 86. relaxed
- 87. accepting
- 88. flexible
- 89. calm
- 90. understanding
- 91. conciliatory
- 92. gentle
- 93. present
- 94. considerate
- 95. tolerant
- 96. reason<mark>a</mark>ble, prudent
- 97. patien<mark>t</mark>

99. forgiving

98. good listener

100. compassionate

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Name your core strengthsinstructions

- Consider what your strengths are.
- Choose a few core strengths that you've used last week or recently. Write them down, one strength per piece of paper.
- How do the strengths you use show in your everyday life?



BORROW SOMEONE S STRENGHT

KEEP YOUR ASSIGNED STRENGHTS VISIBLE

In groups, take turns to borrow strenght from someone for a situation.

Explain the situation and how the strenght would help you.





What do you use time on?

Examine your use of time using the clock face.

Mark down on the clock face truthfully how you divide your time during the time between mandatory and optional things.



When you`re done, consider:

- How much time do you have that you can choose what to do with?
- How do you sleep?
- How do you eat?
- -How do you take care of yourself?

How social media affects our feelings/self esteem? Pair work, 20 minutes

- Search information from the internet and list 10 negative and 10 positive facts about how social media affects mental health.
- Then check together with your pair your social media feeds (instagram/facebook/etc).
- Decide what feeds could be harmful to your self-esteem and why. You can also remove/stop following something that causes more negative feelings.

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JENGA PROMOTING WELLNESS

Start the game by building the Jenga tower.

Each player takes their turns to move on piece from the tower to the top without toppling the tower.

Each piece has a number at the end and on the list you'll find the corresponding questions. Answer the question.



Jenga- questions about strenghts and interests

- 1.Who would you like to hear from about your strenghts?
- 2.Which of your strenghts is easiest for you to name?
- 3.Name three strenghts that are significant to you!
- 4.Which of your strenghts would you like to improve?
- 5.Which of your strenghts do your friend appreciate?
- 6.Who is your role model when it comes to strenghts? Why?
- 7.Which strenght have you learned from someone else? 8.Which strenght do you think would help you in your work life?
- 9.Which strenght are you especially grateful for?
- 10.What would you do if anything was possible?
- 11.What are you like at your best?
- 12.What is your advantage when looking for work?
- 13.What have you learned in your free time?
- 14. Give feedback on the strenghts of someone in the group.
- 15.Which of your strenghts do you use at home?
- 16.Which of your strengths do you use with friends?
- 17. Which of your strengths can you use in your studies?
- 18. Which strengths do you admire in others?
- 19.What do you wish from life? Name your three most important wishes. What are you doing now to make the wishes come true?
- 20. If anything were possible, what would you do? 21.Which strenghts do you know you've inherited from your family?
- 22.Which of your strenghts are you especially proud of?23.What strenght would help you in your everyday life?24.Which factors have a negative effect on your wellbeing?





ICEBERG GOAL

What is my goal, achievement or dream?

What is my inspiration statement?

What capable already have relation to my goal or dream?

What I still need to do or learn to achieve my goal?

What strenghts I have that help me achieve my goal?

What additional strenghts do I need to achieve my goal?

WHEEL OF EMOTIONS

Do you know all emotions that exist? Here you have some examples.







HEALTHY HABITS IN OUR PSYCHOLOGICAL BALANCE

- 1. Planning our days
- 2. Sleeping well
- 3. Have a good diet

- 4. Do exercise
- 5. Hang out
- 6. Free time
- 7. Drink enough water

POSTERS



Today is a new day, a new opportunity to do something great.

Today I will focus on what I can do, rather than what I can`t.

I will approach today with positivity and graditude.

Today is a chance to be the best version of myself.

Today I will take my actions towards my goals, one step at a time.

Every moment is an opportunity for growth and learning.



START YOUR DAY WITH A SMILE!



HOW TO KNOW IF YOU HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT YOUR MENTAL HEALTH?

Prolonged apathy

Irritability

Excessive anxiety

Sleeping problems

Eating problems

Intrusive thoughts

Extreme mood swings

Substance abuce



ADDICTED TO SOCIAL MEDIA?

Do you feel like you spend too much time on social media?

Here are ways to reduce it.

1. Leave your phone in another room.

4. Spend time with your family or friends, without the phone.

2. Use the mute or unfollow button.

- 3. No phones on the table.
- 5. Leave your phone 10 min. before going to bed.

6. Use "Screen Time" in your phone.

















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