# Self-Care Enhancement and Enrichment



#### **Objectives**

- Understand the importance of self-care.
- Describe how to find happiness and purpose in life.
- Develop techniques to achieve an improved mindset and mood.

# The importance of SELF-care

- Positive emotions = better health, longer life, and greater well-being, good social networks
- Negative emotions and worry = physical ailments.







# Routes to happiness

- Feeling good
- Engaging fully
- Doing good
- Gratitude
- Savoring pleasure
- Being mindful
- Self-compassion



## Finding purpose or meaning using character strengths

**Character strengths** 

Creativity

Curiosity

Judgment

Love of learning

Perspective

Bravery

Perseverance

Honesty

Zest

Love

Kindness

Social intelligence

Teamwork

Fairness

Leadership

Forgiveness

Humility

Prudence

Self-regulation

Appreciation of beauty & excellence

Gratitude

Hope

Humor

Spirituality

# Putting your purpose into action

#### Finding purpose/meaning

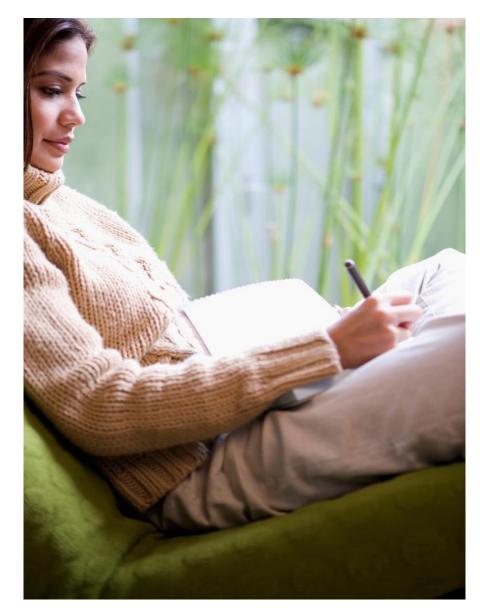
- Find your source
  - VIA Character Strength Survey
- Take action
  - VIA Strengths-Based Activities & Exercises



### Techniques to achieve an improved mindset and mood

#### Gratitude

- Keep a Gratitude Journal
- Ask yourself three questions
- Let others know you appreciate them
- Commit to practicing gratitude
- Fake it until you make it
- Find gratefulness in the small things
- Use social media to spread gratitude
- Come to Your Senses



# Gratitude practice



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Thank you!

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