Thought Record



A thought record is a valuable tool to help you understand and manage your thoughts and feelings. It's a simple worksheet that guides you in identifying specific situations that might trigger uncomfortable emotions, analyzing the thoughts that occur in those moments, and then challenging them by looking at evidence both for and against those thoughts. Fill out a thought record whenever you encounter a situation that causes significant distress or when you notice a pattern of negative or irrational thoughts.

Name	D	ate / Time
Event		
Event: What event, previous thou	ght or circumstance led to how	you are feeling now?
Automatic Thought		
What thought seemingly poppe	d up out of nowhere?	
How true does the thought feel	to you?	000000000
1, not so true. 10 very true.		000000000
What is the evidence (if any) su	pporting the thought? Facts o	nly! No opinions!
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What cognitive distortion are yo	ou potentially utilizing? An ina	accurate and negatively biased thought. (Circle one)
Dichotomous Thinking	Magnification / Minimiza	tion Should Statements
Catastrophizing	Selective Abstraction	Jumping To Conclusions
Discounting The Positive	Mind Reading	Blaming
Emotional Reasoning	Overgeneralization	What If?
Labeling	Personalizing	Unfair Comparisons
Automatic Emotion		
What emotion did you feel after	r having the automatic thoug	ht?
How strong is the emotion?		000000000
1, weak. 10 very strong.		1 10

Working Thought: After analyzing your thought and looking at the evidence, what is a more appropriate thought?			
Resulting Behavior			
What behavior did you engage in? (Example- Did you avoid doing something? Did you yell at somebody? Did you get quiet? etc.)			
Are there any physical sensations or any additional automatic thoughts that present themselves? If so, what are they?			
What are the pros and cons of this behavior?			
Working Thought			
After analyzing your automatic thought and looking at the evidence, what is a more appropriate thought?			
How much do you believe this new thought? 1, I don't believe it at all. 10, I believe it very strongly. OOOOOO000000000000000000000000000000			
Working Emotion			
What Emotion did you have as a result from working through your thought?			
How strong is the emotion? O </td			
Intended Behavior			
What do you intend to do with the new working thought?			
Are there any physical sensations or any additional automatic thoughts that present themselves? If so what are they?			