# MEDITATION & REFLECTION FOR WELLBEING COURSE

## WELCOME

space to breathe



## TODAY'S SESSION

#### The keys to self-care

#### Self-awareness

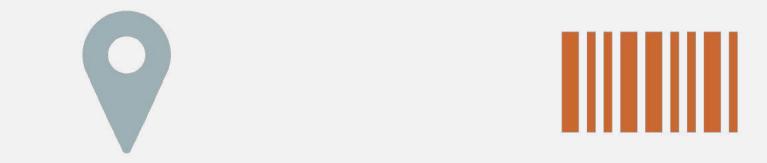
#### Grounding techniques

Finding your language

Handling stress and anxiety

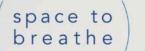
## KEYS TO SELF-CARE

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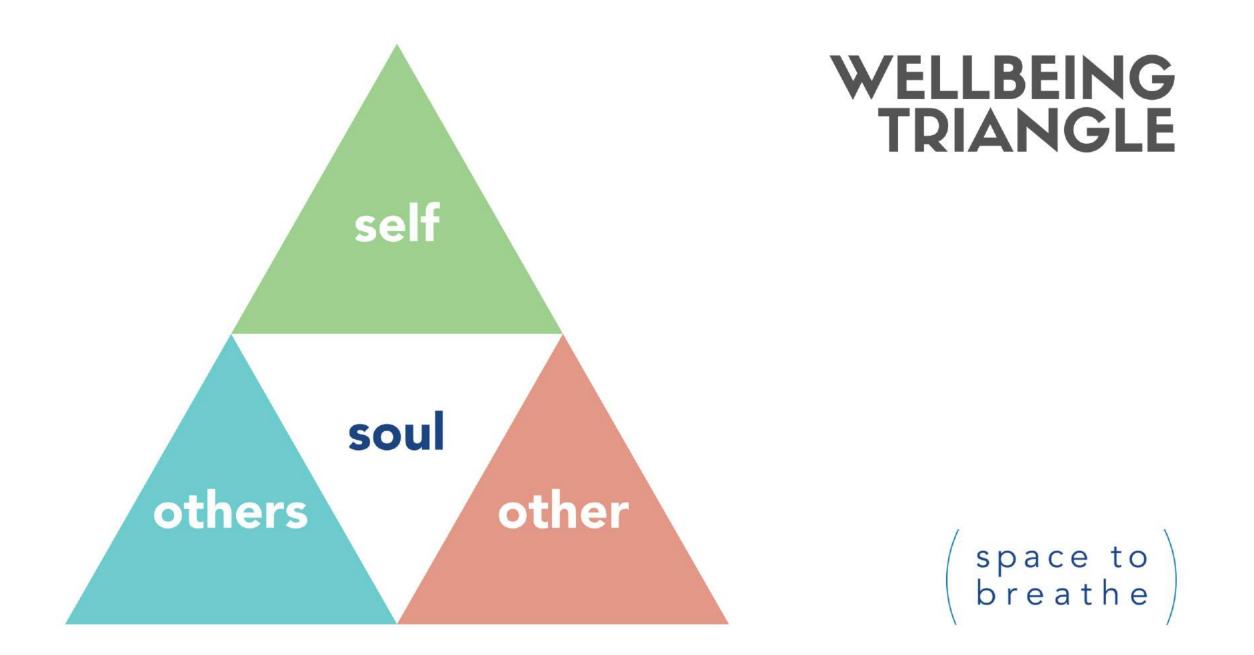
Tools to help you flourish in every day life

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"it signals an interiority that permeates all exteriority, an invisibility that everywhere inhabits visibility"

Peterson 2005



#### RESILIENCE

Resilience is a key factor in protecting and promoting good mental health and is defined as an individuals ability to successfully adapt to life tasks in the face of social disadvantage or highly adverse conditions.

(NHS website)

#### Optimal mental well-being

Example: a person who experiences a high level of mental well-being despite being diagnosed with a mental illness Example: a person who has a high level of mental well-being and who has no mental illness

Maximum mental illness

Example: a person experiencing mental illness who has a low level of mental well-being Minimum mental illness

Example: a person who has no diagnosable mental illness who has a low level of mental well-being

Minimal mental well-being







## Tackling Inequalities in Mental Health





# FLOURISH









Health and Social Care









No Panic Sheffield Helping people with anxiety



grow

# FRINGE CENTRAL MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID SESSIONS

Weekdays 9th August-19th August Sessions on the hour between 10am and 6pm at Fringe Central, on Level 1 St James Quarter (between Superdrug and John Lewis)

> space to breathe

#### PRINCIPLES

- The Wellbeing axis and Mental Health First Aid
- Building a toolkit for the whole of life
- Self-expression
- Finding a persons language (context)
- Resilience building
- Best done as proactive and preventative but can be used in restorative way
- Empowerment people

# FLOURISHING

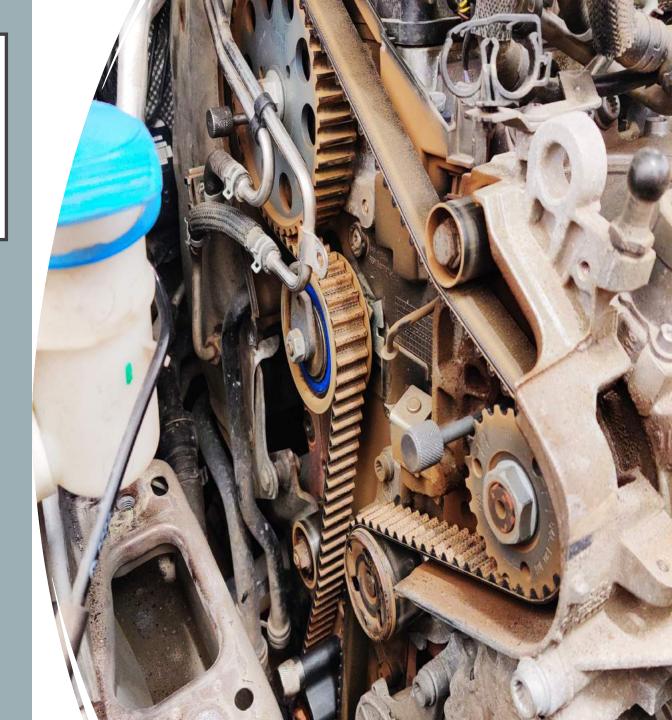
## SELF AWARENESS

# UNDERSTANDING YOURSELF

How do you work? How do you top up your oil or fuel?

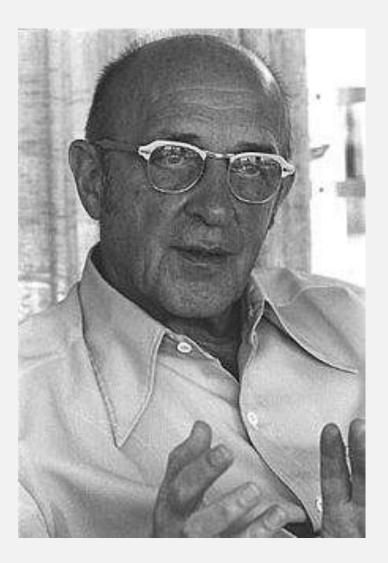
How do you know when pressure is building up or when something isn't right?

Who do you ask to help you when something needs looking at?



"The curious paradox is that, when I **accept** myself as I am, then I can change."

Therefore, looking at who we really are and knowing ourselves is the key to growing as a person



Carl Rogers



#### QUESTIONS FOR YOUR TABLES

- •What drains me?
- What gives me strength?

## HOW ARE YOU TODAY?

- Weather
- Colour
- Food
- Animal

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# Notice, Name and Accept







# three





# five



## GROUNDING TECHNIQUES





### MEDITATION

- Being calm
- Filling my mind
- Being present

"meditation is like a gym in which you develop the powerful mental muscles of calm and insight"

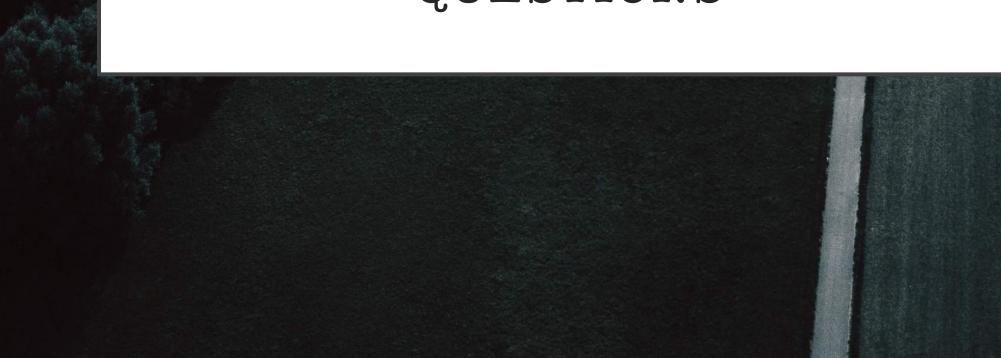
## MINDFULNESS

Sati: awareness or attention
Vipassana: insight cultivated by meditation THICH NHAT HACH 'THE MIRACLE OF MINDFULNESS" (1970)

Mindful stress reduction
Mindful cognitive therapy

# BEING PRESENT

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# QUESTIONS

## FINDING YOUR LANGUAGE

GK Chesterton: "Fairy tales do not tell children the dragons exist. Children already know that dragons exist. Fairy tales tell children the dragons can be killed."



"The twenty first century society yearns for a leadership of possibility, a leadership based more on hope, aspiration, innovation and beauty than on the replication of historical patterns of constrained pragmatism. Luckily, such leadership is possible today. For the first time in history, leaders can work backward from their aspirations and imagination rather than forward from the past. The gap between what people can imagine and what they can accomplish has never been smaller"

(Nancy Adler, From Leading Beautifully: The Creative Economy and Beyond)

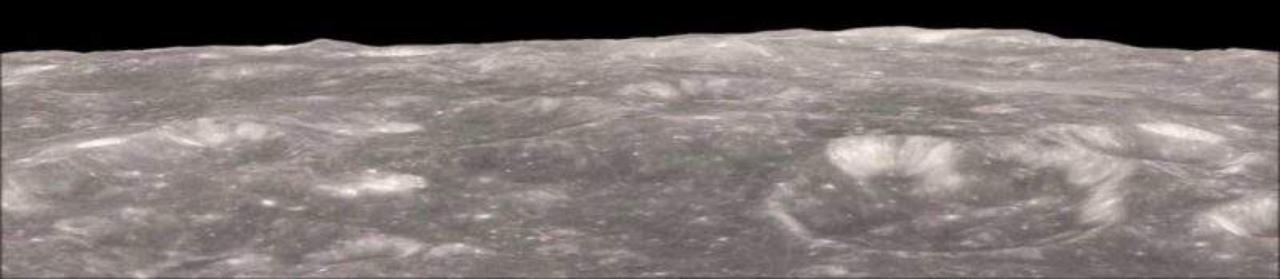




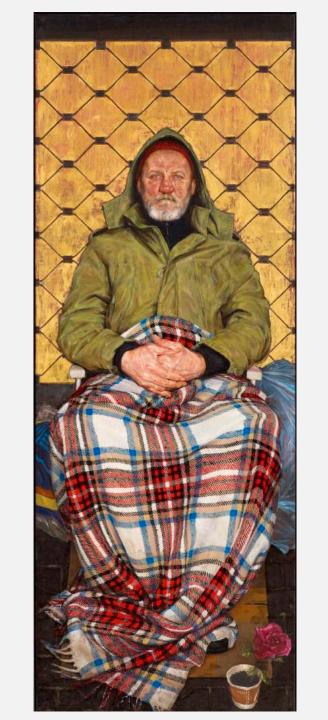








## MAN WITH PLAID BLANKET BY THOMAS GANTER





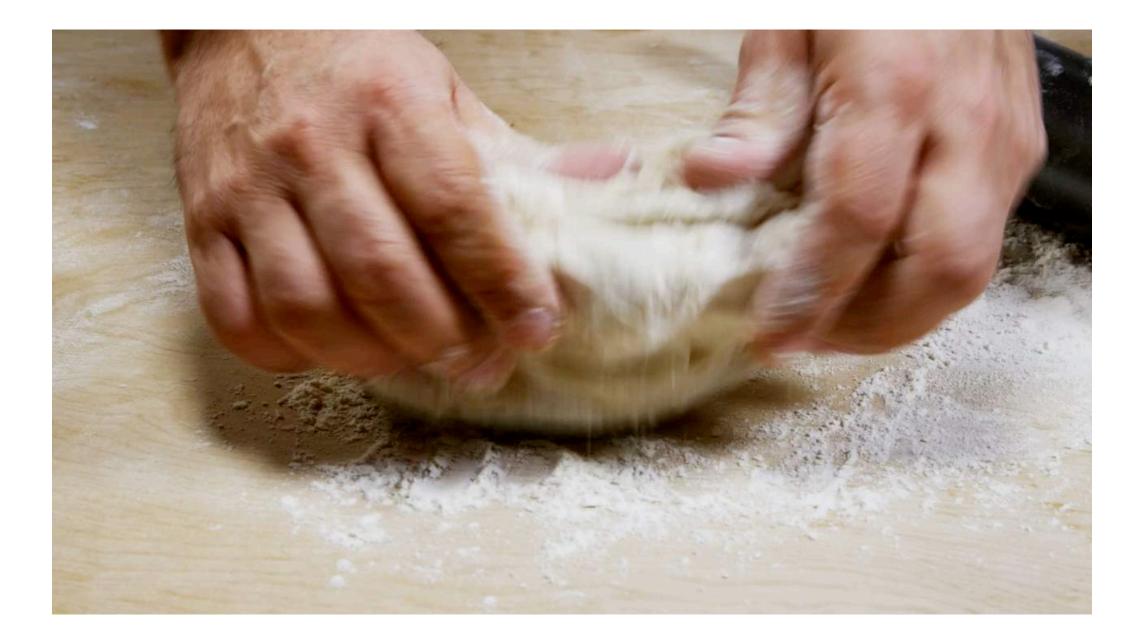


## HANDLING STRESS AND ANXIETY



## **REFRAMING ANXIOUS THOUGHTS**

Catch it
Check it
Change it





- Can I break a problem down?
- Which piece needs to be considered first?
- Which pieces can wait?

- What's in my control?
- What's helpful or harmful?







## QUESTIONS