

MARRIAGE REHAB

COURSE WORKBOOK

& ASSIGNMENTS



WELCOME!

I'm glad you're both here. And yet, I can say without a doubt, I wish we could have met under different circumstances because there's no justification for infidelity. And so having to take a course like this — alongside all the negative emotions — can't be easy for either of you.

And yet, since you are both here...

I must congratulate you on your willingness to go the extra mile and to do the assignments found in this workbook. This type of willingness tells me two things about you: (1) you don't just want to make it... you want to make it better than before; and (2) you want to come out of this a stronger couple rather than another divorce statistic. I believe this bodes well for you because willingness, like courage, is always rewarded.

So, here's what I suggest.

To get the most out of this workbook:

- Approach your assignments with positive expectancy,
- View each exercise you attempt as a declaration of power, and
- Treat each task as a building block towards making it better than before.

Do you think you can do that? I know you can.

Until we speak again, Remember, only love wins!

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VERY IMPORTANT!

READ ME

If you haven't already done so...

Please consider downloading the audio files of your course and listen to each session at least one more time wearing headphones. The good news is that all the audio files are MP3 format, so you can listen on any device (phone, Kindle, iPad) and listen at your convenience — while working out, jogging, flying on airplane or even while washing the dishes.

I truly believe you'll be glad you did.

Because many of my students report having the most breakthroughs and experiencing the biggest benefits during their second and third time through the course.

> Thank you, Suzie

P.S. Some course sessions include *The Quiet 10* (my 10-minute guided meditation MP3). I suggest you download and listen to *The Quiet 10* just before bed, or anytime turbulent emotions surface.



ASSIGNMENTS

FOR THE BETRAYED PARTNER

STEP

FIRST AID: SURVIVING THE FIRST 30 DAYS
AFTER THE AFFAIR



DIRECTIONS:

For the next 30 days, I want you to only focus on three simple things each day. Use the 30-day calendar to check your progress for each day you attempt this assianment.

(Overachievers: Print and place on your bathroom mirror or refrigerator.)

DAILY RULE 1: ACCEPT YOUR FEELINGS

Every day as you open your eyes in the morning, say to yourself: "Today I'm going to accept my feelings, whatever they are. There is no right way or wrong way for me to feel about this. All my feelings are okay."





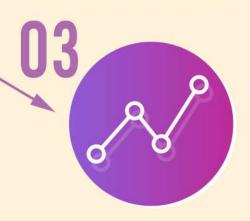
DAILY RULE 2: KNOW YOUR PURPOSE

Your purpose is to make it through the day with as much of your self-esteem intact as possible. Evaluate every task, every decision, and every choice based on two criteria:

1. Will this increase my self-esteem? 2. Will it drain me of self-esteem?

DAILY RULE 3: DO WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE

REMIND YOURSELF: What you need is to keep moving forward because standing still, staying stuck, or sinking in despair is not an option. So, each day, do the things that need to be done knowing they are your therapy. Let them move you forward.



30 DAYS OF FOLLOWING THE 3 DAILY RULES

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STEP 02

HOW TO SURVIVE HER AFFAIR



PROCESSING FEAR AND MANAGING FRUSTRATION

E(+) DURATION: ONGOING -

DIRECTIONS:

The point of this exercise is to teach you how to handle fear and frustration. Print and use these worksheets to help you process (not suppress) these painful thoughts and emotions.

DIRECTI W NS

USING THE FEAR WORKSHEET

01. Under the "Moving Away" column, list all the things you fear, all your negative expectations and negative predictions. 02. Under "Moving Towards"

reframe every single one of those fears into a positive expectation.

USING THE FRUSTRATION WORKSHEET

01. Under the "What" column, list the things that are frustrating to you.

02. Under the "How" column, list possible techniques and strategies that can help you to accomplish/overcome the what.



comes from anticipation or prediction of negative results

produced by negative images and negative conclusions about the future

FEAR IS NOT FACT.



MOVING AWAY (WHAT I FEAR)	MOVING TOWARDS (WHAT I WANT)



WHAT (MY FRUSTRATIONS)	HOW (STRATEGIES TO OVERCOME THEM)

STEP 02

HOW TO SURVIVE HIS AFFAIR



DIRECTIONS:

When you're going through a crisis like this, overwhelm is not your friend. Therefore, your first priority is to learn to take things one day at a time. To help you practice this principle, commit to do the following 3 things for the next 21 days.



01 DO one thing at a time.

SEPARATE all your tasks into two groups: NICE or NECESSARY.
*Only do necessary

LIVE TODAY and let tomorrow take care of itself.

21 DAYS OF TAKING IT ONE DAY AT A TIME

DAY 01	DAY 02	DAY 03	DAY 04	DAY 05
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DAY 11	DAY 12	DAY 13	DAY 14	DAY 15
■ Do Separate Live	Separate ✓ Live	⊌ Do Separate Live	■ Do Separate Live	⊌ Do Separate Live
DAY 16	DAY 17	DAY 18	DAY 19	DAY 20
■ Do Separate Live	Separate ∠Live	Do Separate Live □	■ Do Separate Live	■ Do Separate Live
DAY 21				
■ Do Separate Live				
REFLECTIONS OF	N THIS TECHNIQUE			



PROCESSING PAINFUL THOUGHTS

E(+) DURATION: ONGOING

THE NEXT TIME...

...you find yourself having a frightful, painful or fearful thought, write it down and apply these three questions to that thought:



- ⇒ IS THIS THOUGHT A FACT, A FEAR, OR A FANTASY?
- → AM I 100% SURE THIS THOUGHT IS TRUE?
- → WHO WOULD I BE IF I DIDN'T BELIEVE THIS THOUGHT?

REFLECTIONS ON THIS



Write down your frightful, painful or fearful thought and apply these three questions to that thought.



MY PAINFUL THOUGHT
QUESTIONS
1. Is this thought a fact, a fear, or a fantasy?
2. Am I 100% sure this thought is true?
3. Who would I be if I didn't believe this thought?





REFLECTIONS ON THIS TECHNIQUE



R&R (RELEASE AND REPLACE)

- PURPOSE: DEAL WITH NEGATIVE IMAGES



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01

Make an appointment with yourself to worry every day.

02

Schedule yourself between 30 minutes and an hour per day to do some good worrying.

03

The key to this task is make sure you don't worry at any other time except during the appointed time.

REFLECTIONS ON THIS TECHNIQUE

STEP 03

HEALING ANGER & FRUSTRATION BROUGHT ON BY INFIDELITY





01

Rate yourself on a scale of 1 to 10 (10 being most likely) how likely it is that your anger falls in each category.

02

If higher than 6, do the self-inquiry question recommended to help you heal that type of anger.



ANGER ASSESSMENT

WHAT CATEGORY DOES YOUR ANGER FALL INTO?

ANGER TYPE: MORAL ANGER

THE DRIVING FORCE: Superiority and the belief that there is only one set of rules for how people should or should not behave.

THE SIGNS: You're dealing with moral anger if your anger is more about outrage for breaking the rules or moral weakness, to which falling into temptation points.



If you rate yourself higher than 6...

TO HELP HEAL MORAL ANGER

ASK YOURSELF THESE TWO SELF-INQUIRY QUESTIONS:

1. Why is it important for other people to follow my rules in order for me to love them?
2. What's another way — other than anger — that I can respond when people fail to follow the rules?

ANGER TYPE: PUNITIVE ANGER

THE DRIVING FORCE: Intolerance and the belief that all infractions, violations of rules, and bad behaviors must be corrected via punishment.

THE SIGNS: Revenge fantasies. Wanting to inflict as much or more pain as they've caused you. Withholding affection or forgiveness as a way of getting even.



If you rate yourself higher than 6...

TO HELP HEAL PUNITIVE ANGER

ASK YOURSELF:

What, if anything, could allow me to respond with mercy rather than punishment to those who disappointed me?



SELF-DIRECTED ANGER

THE DRIVING FORCE: Perfectionism and the belief that if one is perfect enough, bad things will not happen.

THE SIGNS: The secret worry that the affair was your fault. Harboring thoughts that maybe if you have been more perfect or tried harder, then they wouldn't have strayed. Finding ways to blame yourself for other people's choices.



If you rate yourself higher than 6...

AL TO HELP HEAL SELF-DIRECTED ANGER

ASK YOURSELF THESE TWO SELF-INQUIRY QUESTIONS:

. How can you tell if or when you've taken on unearned guilt?
. If guilt is unearned, what is the best way to release it?

CONTROLLING ANGER

THE DRIVING FORCE: Dominance and compliance, and the belief in getting one's own way by any means necessary.

THE SIGNS: You get angry just to remind them that you haven't forgotten what they've done. You don't feel like you can be heard or taken seriously unless you raise your voice and get angry. You deliberately start arguments, pick the scab, and rehash the misdeeds just to keep them from getting too comfortable.



If you rate yourself higher than 6...

AL TO HELP HEAL CONTROLLING ANGER

ASK YOURSELF THESE TWO SELF-INQUIRY QUESTIONS:

Do you believe in the concept of free will?
2. If so, how can you get your needs met without violating other people's free will?

ANGER TYPE: TERRITORIAL ANGER

THE DRIVING FORCE: Possessiveness and the belief that marriage equals ownership over another person's body and mind.

THE SIGNS: A sense that the affair partner stole something from you. The thought of someone else enjoying what was rightfully yours infuriates you. Most of your anger is triggered by the thought of having been excluded, or the belief that your partner's time and attention exclusively belongs to you.



If you rate yourself higher than 6...

A TO HELP HEAL TERRITORIAL ANGER

ASK YOURSELF THIS QUESTION:

. What is it about your partner that <i>you truly love</i> that is beyond their body and behavior?					

SELF-RIGHTEOUS INDIGNATION

THE DRIVING FORCE: Arrogance and hubris, based on a deeply held belief that our mistakes are better than other people's mistakes.

NOTICE: This anger is made up of two things: self-righteousness AND indignation.

THE SIGNS: Your anger is really being fueled by the belief that you yourself are impervious to temptation and lying. when you tell yourself things like, "This couldn't have happened to me." Where the internal dialogue is centered around, "How dare they do this to me? Who do they think they are? Don't they know who they're dealing with?" And perhaps the biggest sign of self-righteous indignation is, "I know that I would never do anything like this."



If you rate yourself higher than 6...

TO HELP HEAL SELF-RIGHTEOUS INDIGNATION

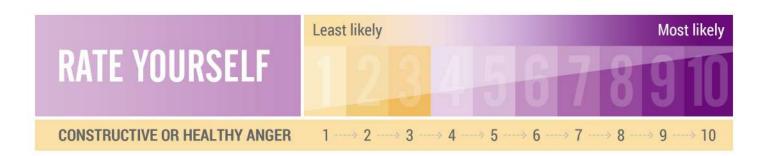
ASK YOURSELF THIS QUESTION:

moment?	ed by their betrayal, what would lead you to that

CONSTRUCTIVE OR HEALTHY ANGER

THE DRIVING FORCE: This type of anger is considered healthy anger because it gives you energy (rather than drains you of energy). It can give you the motivation to make the changes you already knew you needed to make.

THE SIGNS: Produces courage, not aggression. Responsive, not reactive. It's clean energy. Therefore, it can be used as a catalyst for positive change.



If you rate yourself higher than 6...

TO HELP LEVEL UP YOUR CONSTRUCTIVE OR HEALTHY ANGER

ASK YOURSELF:

lat positive changes do you want this anger to help you create:						



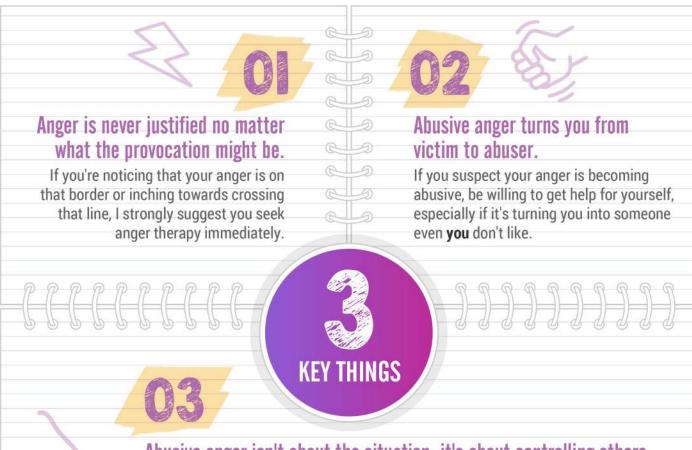
DIRECTIONS:

Here are the top 10 red flags that your anger has crossed the line to abusive anger. On a scale of 1 to 5 (5 being most likely true), honestly evaluate yourself how much each has been true for you.

RED FLAGS	5 - MOST LIKELY TRUE
During anger attacks, I deliberately turn up the volume.	1 2 3 4 5
2 During anger attacks, I ambush with questions.	1 2 3 4 5
3 During anger attacks, I behave like a bully.	1 2 3 4 5
During anger attacks, I deliberately get obscene.	1 2 3 4 5
5 During anger attacks, I blameshift.	1 2 3 4 5
During anger attacks, I try to dehumanize them.	1 2 3 4 5
During anger attacks, I try to shame them.	1 2 3 4 5
8 Denial and helplessness.	1 2 3 4 5
9 Peace at my discretion.	1 2 3 4 5
Turning into an anger narcissist.	1 2 3 4 5

HOW DID YOU DO?

If you did well, then congratulations for keeping your anger at appropriate levels. But if you felt that you are on the border or maybe crossing the line, here are 3 key things I want you to keep in mind:



Abusive anger isn't about the situation; it's about controlling others.

And this is a key distinction to make. You see, normal anger is about hurt. Abusive anger is about power and control. It's the belief that the other person's flaws or imperfections, bad behaviors or mistakes renders them less important than you. That somehow, their opinions are now meaningless, or they are now unworthy of civil treatment, or that their bad choices somehow grant you the right to control their choices. If any of this is ringing a bell for you, I sincerely ask you to be willing to reach out for help.



DISCLAIMER:

I am not an anger management therapist nor specialist, and this course is not designed to help people whose anger has crossed into abusive anger. If this is really a concern for you, I strongly suggest you look into finding someone that specializes in this area in your community.



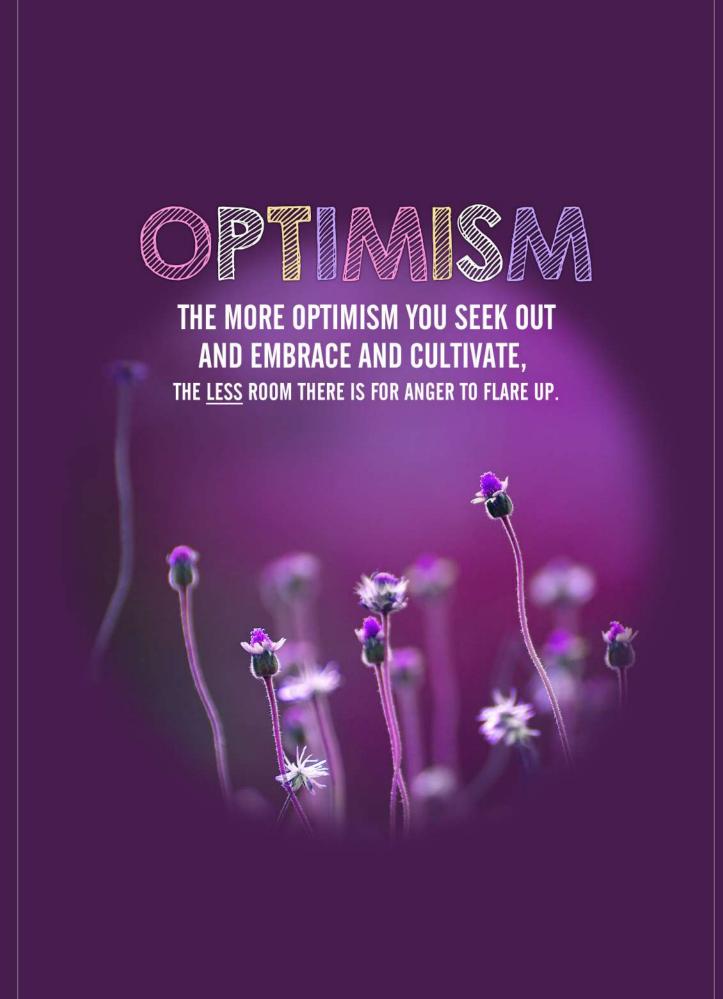
DIRECTIONS:

- 1. Make a list of five things you can do this week to cultivate more optimism.
- 2. Keep this list with you, and any time anger shows up, make yourself do one optimistic thing on this list.



MY OPTIMISM LIST

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.



FORGIVING INFIDELITY AND RELEASING PAIN



DIRECTIONS:

Use these six guided questions to help you process your painful story of why what happened, happened, so you are no longer haunted by them. Listen or watch this section first and then do your worksheet after you've had a better understanding of how it works.



THE FORGIVENESS WORKSHEET





SECTION TWO

ASSIGNMENTS

FOR THE WAYWARD PARTNER

DAMAGE CONTROL: WHAT TO DO WHEN YOU'VE BEEN CAUGHT CHEATING



THE CRITICAL ACTION STEPS

E(+) DURATION: 7 DAYS

DIRECTIONS:

THE ROAD TO RECOVERY BEGINS WITH THESE STEPS. Before the next seven days are out, I want you to put a checkmark next to each one.

<u>Side Note</u>: If you have already taken a step, just go ahead and check it on the list.

CRITICAL ACTION STEP 1: EXIT THE AFFAIR	Done
CRITICAL ACTION STEP 2: EMBRACE TRANSPARENCY	Done
CRITICAL ACTION STEP 3: SEEK COUNSELING FOR YOURSELF AND YOUR PARTNER	Done
CRITICAL ACTION STEP 4: FIND WAYS TO MAKE AMENDS	Done
CRITICAL ACTION STEP 5: EMBRACE SELF-FORGIVENESS	Done
CRITICAL ACTION STEP 6: SUPPORT, SUPPORT, SUPPORT	Done

STANDING IN THE STORM



DIRECTION:

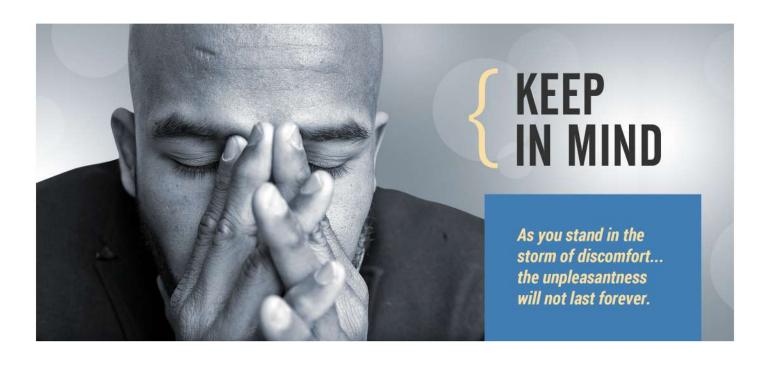
Answer the questions in Parts 1 and 2 of this Mental Toughness Questionnaire.

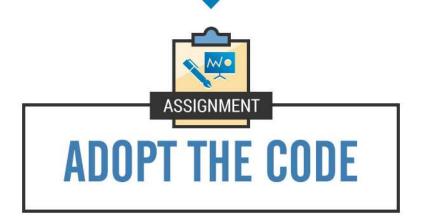


1. Why does standing in the storm matter to you?	
2. What are you really fighting for?	
3. Why are you willing to go through all the pain, the heartache, the suffering, and the unpleasantness?	

PART 2 ANSWER THE FOLLOWING

1. Write your goal.	
2. What's the best thing you want to see happen as a result of this?	
3. What would success look like for you at the end of this?	
4. What part should you play in the recovery process?	







Adopt the following code:

"THERE'S NO SUBSTITUTE FOR INTEGRITY."



REFLECTIONS ON THIS:



DIRECTIONS:

For the next seven days, a few times a day, practice leaning into your discomfort. In the privacy of your own mind, allow yourself to intentionally, mindfully lean into emotional discomfort.

7 DAYS OF LEANING INTO EMOTIONAL DISCOMFORT

DAY 1

MINDFULLY LEANED INTO MY EMOTIONAL DISCOMFORT.

YES	NO

DAY 2

ALLOWED MYSELF TO LEAN INTO DISCOMFORT.

YES	NO

DAY 3

MINDFULLY LEANED INTO MY EMOTIONAL DISCOMFORT.

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DAY 4

ALLOWED MYSELF TO LEAN INTO DISCOMFORT.

YES	NO

DAY 5

MINDFULLY LEANED INTO MY EMOTIONAL DISCOMFORT.

VEC	NO
YES	NU

DAY 6

ALLOWED MYSELF TO LEAN INTO DISCOMFORT.

YES	NO

DAY 7

MINDFULLY LEANED INTO MY EMOTIONAL DISCOMFORT.

YFS	NO

SELF-FORGIVENESS: LETTING GO OF GUILT, SHAME AND PAIN



DIRECTIONS:	Use this worksheet to help you practice my three guilt. Use whenever guilt surfaces on your emotion	
RULE 1:	I AM NOW WILLING TO VIEW GUILT IS A STRATEGY AND NOT A RESULT.	No Yes
Follow up question: A	as a strategy, how has guilt worked for me in the past?	
RULE 2:	I AM WILLING TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I WILL NEVER WIN WITH GUILT. n what ways has guilt been holding me back?	No Yes
RULE 3:	I AM WILLING TO ACCEPT THAT LEARNING SUCCES IS THE ULTIMATE ANTIDOTE TO GUILT.	No Yes
ronow up question: V	Vhat lessons do you need to learn from your past mistakes	5?

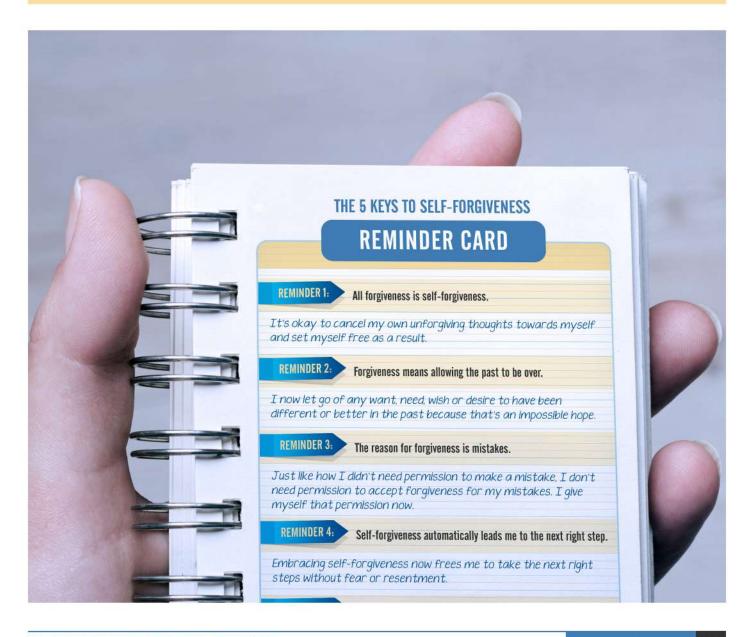
HOW TO INSPIRE YOUR PARTNER'S FORGIVENESS



THE FIVE KEYS TO SELF-FORGIVENESS

DIRECTIONS:

Print and keep this reminder card with you. Review whenever it feels hard to embrace forgiveness for your mistakes. It helps to speak each reminder out loud.



THE 5 KEYS TO SELF-FORGIVENESS

REMINDER CARD

REMINDER 1:

All forgiveness is self-forgiveness.

It's okay to cancel my own unforgiving thoughts towards myself and set myself free as a result.

REMINDER 2:

Forgiveness means allowing the past to be over.

I now let go of any want, need, wish or desire to have been different or better in the past because that's an impossible hope.

REMINDER 3:

The reason for forgiveness is mistakes.

Just like how I didn't need permission to make a mistake, I don't need permission to accept forgiveness for my mistakes. I give myself that permission now.

REMINDER 4:

Self-forgiveness automatically leads me to the next right step.

Embracing self-forgiveness now frees me to take the next right steps without fear or resentment.

REMINDER 5:

Self-forgiveness does not rest on asking, but on receiving.

I'm now willing to receive forgiveness for any harm caused by my mistakes.



HANDLING THE TOP 12 OBJECTIONS

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- 1. Review the section on Handling the Top 12 Objections.
- **2.** Use my example responses for inspiration to help craft your own postive and healthy response to each objection (or a varition of them).
- **3.** Use your response in a reallife situation and come back and rate them.
- **4.** The ones that rate well... use again. The ones that land poorly... discard. The ones that fall flat... optimize .



(OBJECTIONS 01 - 03)

OBJECTION #01:	Adultery is the ultimate sin; it's totally unforgivable.
My Response:	
Rate My Response:	Landed Well Landed Poorly Falls Flat
My Optimized Repo	nse:
OBJECTION #02:	I'll never forgive.
My Response:	
Rate My Response:	Landed Well Landed Poorly Falls Flat
My Optimized Repo	nse:
OBJECTION #03:	You just expect me to forgive and forget.
My Response:	
Rate My Response:	Landed Well Landed Poorly Falls Flat
My Optimized Repo	nse:



(OBJECTIONS 04 - 06)

OBJECTION #04: How can I be sure you're not just going to do this again?				
My Response:				
Rate My Response: Landed Well Landed Poorly Falls Flat				
My Optimized Reponse:				
OBJECTION #05: You're not sorry for what you did. You're only sorry you got caught.				
My Response:				
Rate My Response: Landed Well Landed Poorly Falls Flat				
My Optimized Reponse:				
OBJECTION #06: This is too painful for me to let go.				
My Response:				
Rate My Response: Landed Well Landed Poorly Falls Flat				
My Optimized Reponse:				
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(OBJECTIONS 07 - 09)

OBJECTION #07:	How could you do this to me?
My Response:	
Rate My Response:	Landed Well Landed Poorly Falls Flat
My Optimized Repo	nse:
OBJECTION #08:	If you loved me, you wouldn't have done this.
My Response:	
Rate My Response:	Landed Well Landed Poorly Falls Flat
My Optimized Repo	nse:
OBJECTION #09:	If you loved me, you would've done this.
My Response:	
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Rate My Response:	Landed Well Landed Poorly Falls Flat
My Optimized Repo	nse:



(OBJECTIONS 10 - 12)

OBJECTION #10: How dare you even ask me to forgive you?					
My Response:					
Rate My Response	Landed Well Landed Poorly Falls Flat				
My Optimized Repo	onse:				
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OBJECTION #11:	Once a cheater, always a cheater.				
My Response:					
Rate My Response	Landed Well Landed Poorly Falls Flat				
My Optimized Repo	onse:				
OBJECTION #12:	You're asking too much of me. I just can't do this.				
My Response:					
Rate My Response	Landed Well Landed Poorly Falls Flat				
My Optimized Repo					

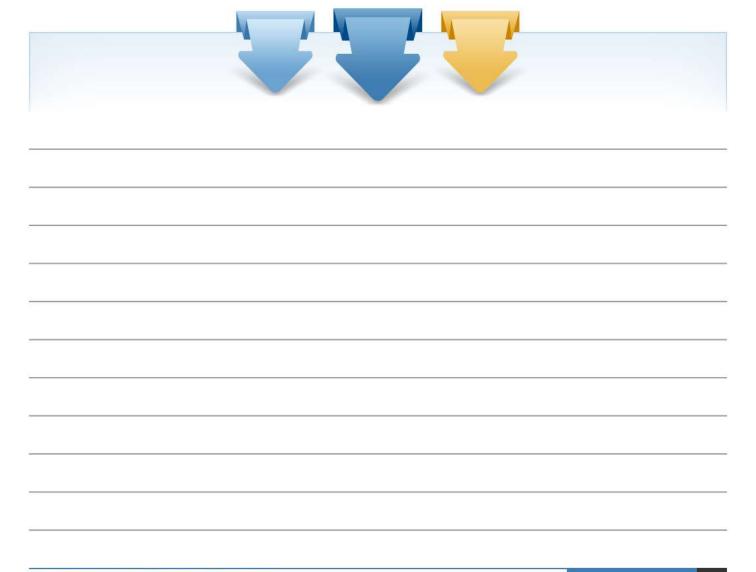
HOW TO WIN HER BACK



DIRECTION:

List all the previous excuses and "rational-lies" that you told yourself that allowed you to justify deception.

COMMON RATIONAL-LIES

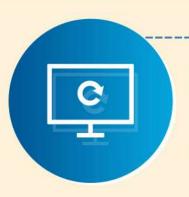




MAKE YOURSELF A PROMISE

DIRECTION:

Make yourself a promise to do the following:



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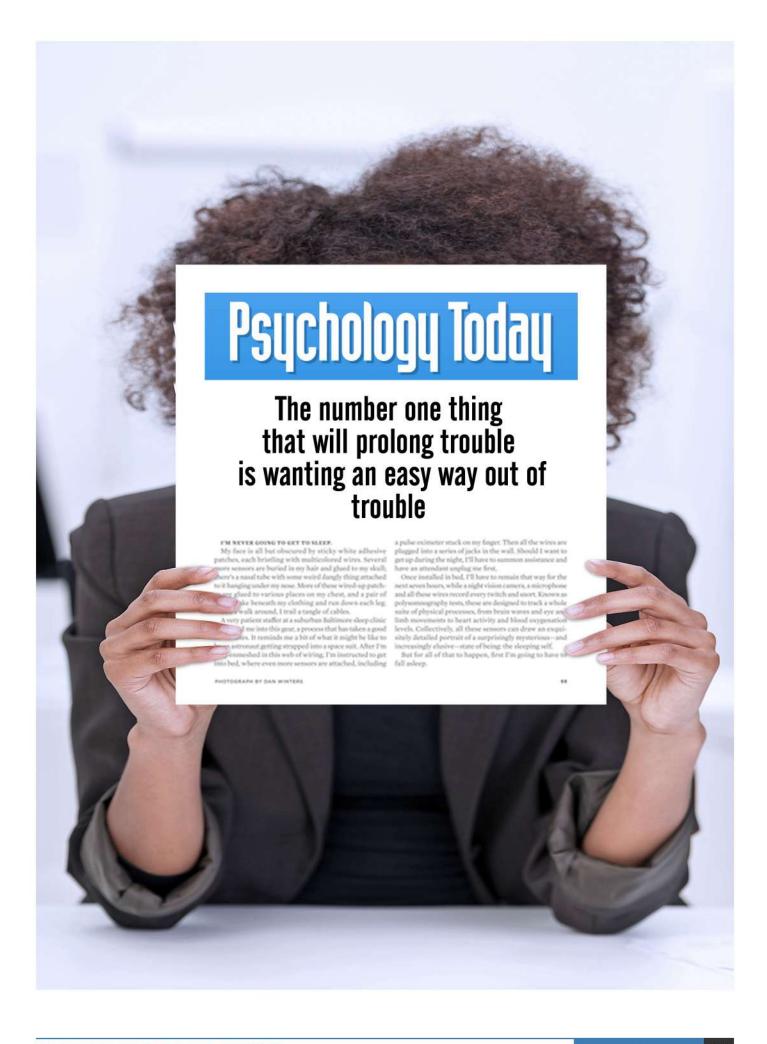
Commit to watching this session at least a couple more times.

02. NEXT TIME

Commit to allowing the knowledge to fully imprint on your brain, to fully penetrate that masculine psychology so that your skill with women grows consciously and unconsciously stronger and stronger.



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GRACEFUL EXITS: THE SAFEST WAYS TO END AN AFFAIR



TOP FIVE AFFAIR PAYOFFS

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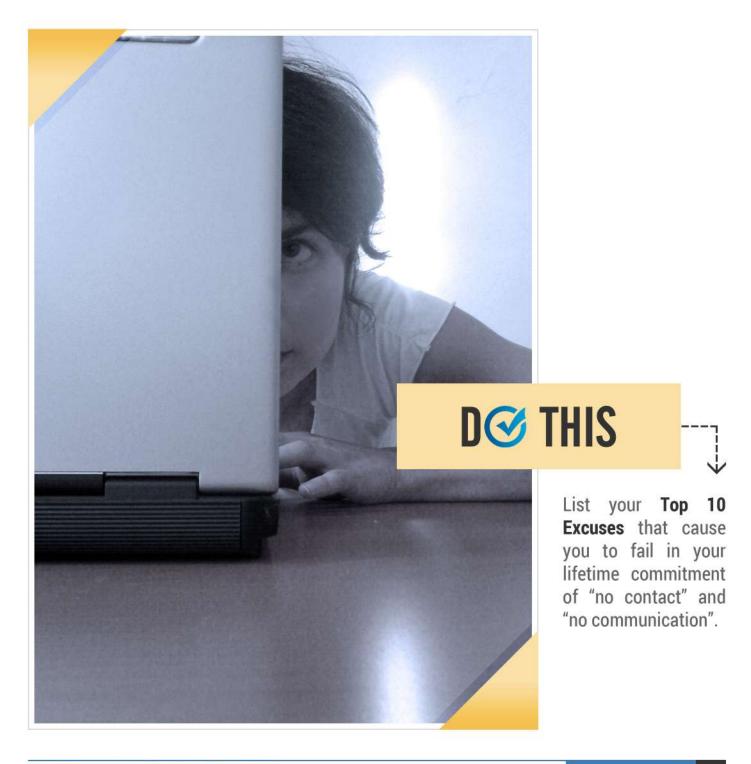
Below are the top five payoffs that an affair can provide and why. Your job is to rank from 1 to 5 how much you agree (5 being you highly agree) to each one of the payoffs. Write in your journal about the ones you rank above a three.

TOP 5 AFFAIR PAYOFFS	
Payoff 1: Proof of desirability	□ I □ 2 □ 3 □ 4 □ 5
Payoff 2: A distraction from boredom	□ I □ 2 □ 3 □ 4 □ 5
Payoff 3: A way to recapture control	□ I □ 2 □ 3 □ 4 □ 5
Payoff 4: A guilty pleasure	□ I □ 2 □ 3 □ 4 □ 5
Payoff 5: Proof of specialness	□ I □ 2 □ 3 □ 4 □ 5
REFLECTIONS ON MY PAYOFFS	





YOUR TOP 10 EXCUSES





THE TOP 10 EXCUSES

THAT CAUSE ME TO FAIL MY COMMITMENT TO NO CONTACT & NO COMMUNICATION



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STEP O T

DISMANTLING EMOTIONAL AFFAIRS



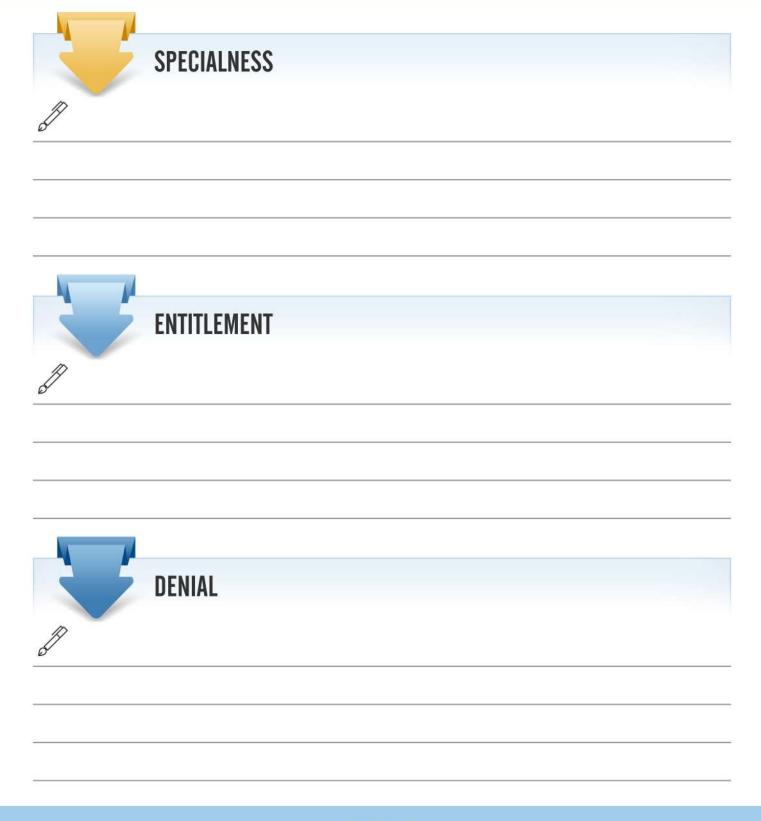
WHAT ARE YOUR RATIONAL-LIES?

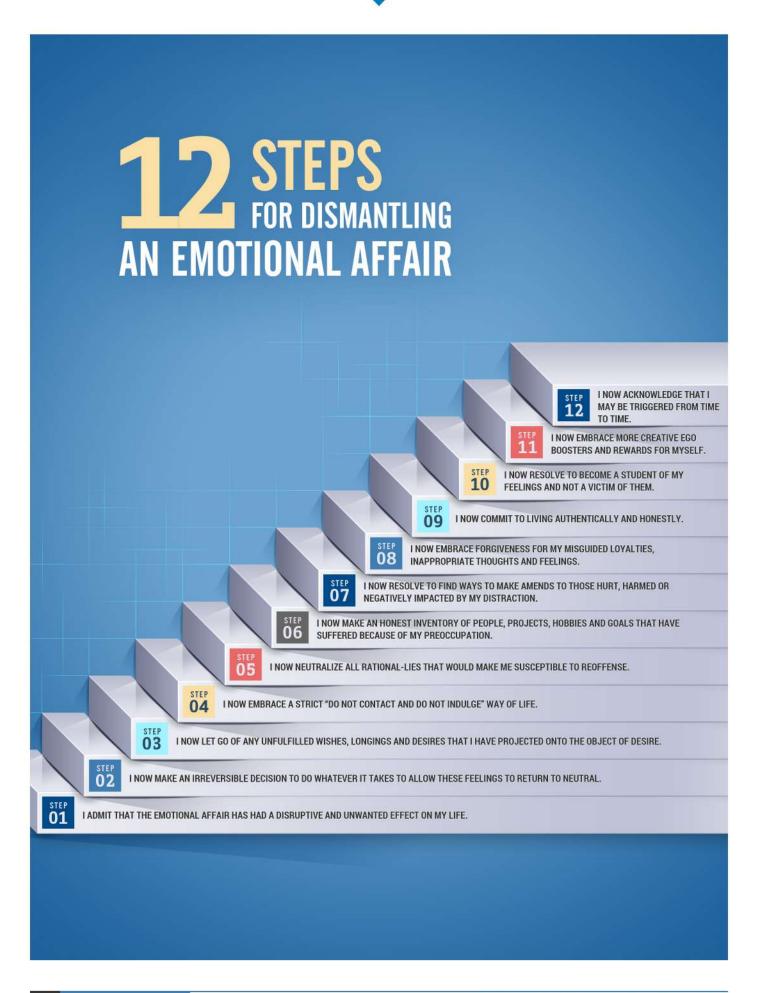
DIRECTIONS



List anything that you tell yourself in order to renegotiate or to justify, or anything that might weaken your decision to follow the 12 Steps for Dismantling an Emotional Affair.









SECTION THREE

ASSIGNMENTS

FOR COUPLES (TO BE DONE TOGETHER)

STEP

THE ROAD TO RECOVERY
AFTER INFIDELITY



DIRECTIONS:

Immediately following the first session, each partner should answer their own questionnaire in private, then meet back and review and discuss both your answers in a compassionate way.





FOR THE BETRAYED PARTNER

1. What is your biggest concern about the future together?		
2. What are the three biggest obstacles you must overcome if the marriage is to survive?		
3. List the things you need to feel safe to continue in this relationship.		
4. Put yourself in your partner's shoes. How would you want to be treated right now?		
5. If you could wave a magic wand and have exactly the marriage you want, what would it look like?		



FOR THE WAYWARD PARTNER

1. What did you gain and what did you lose as a result of the affair?			
2. From your perspective, what are the three biggest obstacles facing you as a couple?			
3. Put yourself in your partner's shoes. How would you want to be treated right now?			
4. If your marriage is to survive, list three things that you personally need to do differently.			
5. If you could wave a magic wand and have exactly the marriage you want, what would it look like?			

REPAIRING TRUST AND INSPIRING HONESTY IN YOUR MARRIAGE



IDENTIFYING THE LION IN THE ROOM



O PURPOSE: DISCOVER THE HIDDEN FEARS BLOCKING TRUST

DIRECTIONS:

The real obstacles in repairing trust is not lack of love, nor is it lack of desire. The real problem is fear. Use this questionnaire to help identify the lion in the room (the real fears stopping you and your partner from trusting again).

ASK YOURSELF & ASK YOUR PARTNER:

2. IF you looked at that fear 1. What is the lion in the room for you? (What fears are preventing logically, what could you say you from trusting again?) about it? DISCUSSIONS ON THIS TOPIC



RATIONAL-LIES & EXCUSES LIST





MY LIST

OF EXCUSES AND RATIONAL LIES FOR BEING DISHONEST IN THE PAST:

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MAKING A SAFETY PACT



PRINT

Print and sign the document to make a pact with your partner that you will both do whatever it takes to make it safe for each other to tell the truth. Be sure to print sign and date. Place it somewhere visible.





STEP 03

HOW TO INFIDELITY-PROOF YOUR MARRIAGE



COUPLES ASSIGNMENT #1



.... CONVERSATION: BOUNDARIES & DEAL BREAKERS

DIRECTI®NS



MAKE A DATE TO TALK

Make a date with your partner to talk about your boundaries and your dealbreakers. Share with each other you how feel about things like emotional affairs and revealing intimate details of your life to others.

Sample Questions:

- > What are your relationship boundaries?
- > What are your dealbreakers?
- > How do you feel about emotional affairs?
- > What's okay for us talk about behind each other's back?



COUPLES ASSIGNMENT #2



COMMUNICATING UNFULFILLED WISHES

DIRECTI©NS

- Write down any secret wishes and unfulfilled desires you may have.
- 2. Share your list with your partner.

SIDE N⊕TE

There should be no judgments because we all have unfulfilled wishes. Also, keep in mind that your partner is not required to fulfill these wishes. The goal is to share, so they can help you notice if seduction is being triggered.



REFLECTIONS ON THIS ASSIGNMENT



MY LIST OF SECRET WISHES

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DIRECTIONS:

Sit down and make a list of all the possible excuses that could be used to justify cheating of any kind. They can be your own excuses or maybe excuses you've heard from other people.

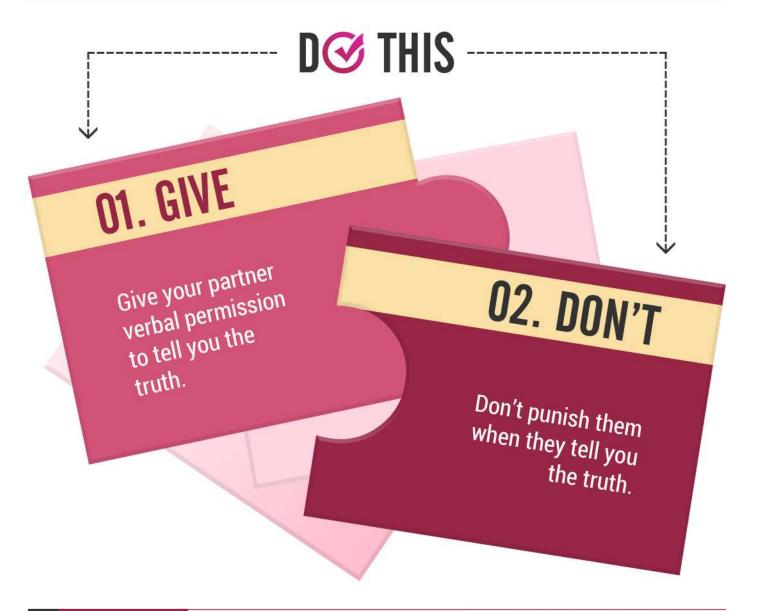


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DIRECTION:

Do the following (but only) if you want to make your partner feel safe to communicate with you honestly.



IF REBUILDING TRUST IS THE GOAL.



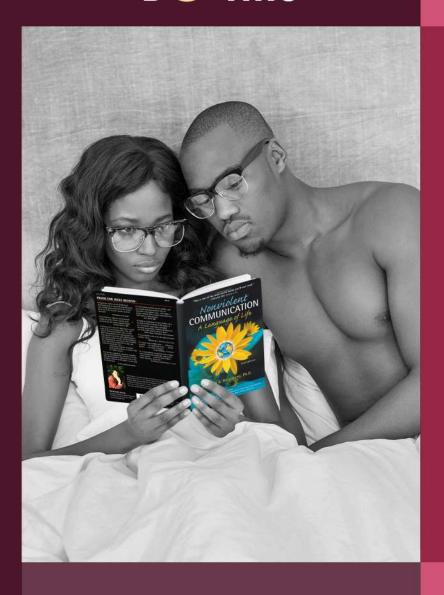
TRANSPARENCY IS THE WAY.



COUPLES ASSIGNMENT #5

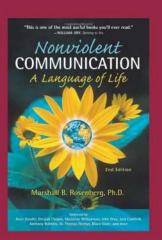
TASK: BUY AND READ NON-VIOLENT COMMUNICATIONS

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BUY AND READ

As soon as you're done with your home study course, go and get yourself a copy of Non-Violent Communications by Marshall Rosenberg. Then, take turns reading one chapter per night to each other.



BUY ONLINE HERE

STEP O4

RETURN TO LOVE AND INTIMACY



YOUR LOVE SCRIPT





1. How do you know when you are loved?
2. What key gestures prove love's existence to you?
3. What are the rules for how love should behave?
4. What key signs will help you to determine if love is true?
5. What is love supposed to look like and feel like to you?
6. What does love mean to you?

STEP 05

DEALING WITH TEMPTATION



DIRECTION:

Using the following clues, honestly evaluate how responsive you would be to a particular lure.

LURE 1:	LURE OF PROXIMITY	
1. Do you h	ave closer friends at work than you do outside of work?	Yes No
	e people at work with whom you have more intimate conversations do at home?	Yes No
	any particular person who knows secrets about you that your own loesn't know?	Yes No
	I found yourself rearranging your home life, so you can spend the in an environment other than home?	Yes No
	nd yourself doing things because they're more convenient, rather ause it's what you really want to do?	Yes No
1,000	nd yourself complaining or talking bad about your partner or your hip behind their back?	Yes No
7. Do you e that you	xperience jealousy or envy when people appear to have something don't?	Yes No
8. Do you g	ive other people marital or relationship advice?	Yes No
	prone to sexual fantasies about people your work with, socialize know in real life?	Yes No

If you answered Yes to three or more of these questions, then chances are you are vulnerable to the Lure of Proximity.

LURE 2:	THE ATTENTION LURE	
1. Do you fe	eel more alive when others pay attention to you?	Yes No
2. Do you h	ave difficulties being alone?	Yes No
3. Do you fo	eel more comfortable with the spotlight on you?	Yes No
4. Do you g	et energized by flirting with members of the opposite sex?	Yes No
5. Do you d	ress to attract attention?	Yes No
6. Do you h	ave a hard time being ignored?	Yes No
7. Does sile	nce make you crazy?	Yes No
8. Do you h enough?	ave secret fears that you're invisible, not heard or not seen	Yes No
9. Do you c others?	onstantly look for signs or proof that you are sexually desirable to	Yes No

If you answered Yes to three or more of these questions, then chances are you are vulnerable to the Attention Lure.





THE NOVELTY LURE LURE 3: 1. Do you have a hard time handling boredom? No 2. Do you feel like there's something missing in your life, but you just can't No put your finger on it? 3. Have you been referred to as a control freak or OCD more than twice? No 4. Do you have to be in constant motion? No Yes 5. Are you usually the first among your friends to get the latest gadgets? No **6.** Are you attracted to things that are rare, exclusive or unusual? Yes No 7. Do you have a drawer or a closet filled with things that you used only a few No times before you lost interest? 8. Are you attracted by words like "off the beaten path," latest, or state-of-No the-art?

If you answered **Yes** to two or more of these questions, then chances are you are vulnerable to the **Novelty Lure.**

LURE 4:	THE VANITY LURE	
1. Do you o	onstantly check your appearance in the mirror?	Yes No
2. Do you o	ress to impress others, rather than to please yourself?	Yes No
3. Does ha	ving approval mean more to you than living authentically?	Yes No
4. Are you	willing to do just about anything to keep up appearances?	Yes No
	pend more time taking care of your physical self than you do are of your spiritual or emotional self?	Yes No
6. Are you	attracted to things that are rare, exclusive or unusual?	Yes No

If you answered Yes to three or more of these questions, then chances are you are vulnerable to the Vanity Lure.



LURE 5: THE DISTRACTION LURE	
1. Do you have a hard time tolerating loneliness?	Yes No
2. Do you like to gamble or play games of chance?	Yes No
3. Do you have unmet needs that you are afraid to ask your partner for?	Yes No
4. Do you secretly crave a sex life that's different from the one you currently have?	Yes No
5. Do you have secret activities or guilty pleasure that you tend to regress to when you're under stress?	Yes No
6. Have you ever been called a high risk-taker or a daredevil?	Yes No
7. Is there a book, a play or a movie script that you've been meaning to write, but you've never gotten around to or finished?	Yes No
8. Do you tend to procrastinate a lot?	Yes No
9. Do you have a hard time finishing the things you started?	Yes No

If you answered Yes to three or more of these questions, then chances are you are vulnerable to the Distraction Lure.



STEP 05 DEALING WITH TEMPTATION

LURE 6:	THE PLEASURE LURE	
1. Are you h	numan?	Yes No
If you answered Yes , then chances are you're vulnerable to being lured into temptation by your impulse to seek pleasure as the rest of us.		
LURE 7:	THE ALLURE OF GETTING AWAY WITH IT	
1. Do you p	refer the chase rather than the capture?	Yes No
2. Do you g	et bored once you've made a conquest?	Yes No
3. Do you fi	nd it easy to compartmentalize your life?	Yes No
4. Are you t	he type to bet on the long shot and win?	Yes No
5. Are you r	eally into proving yourself?	Yes No
6. Are you a	llways on the hunt for the next big thing?	Yes No
7. Do you fi	nd ways to stay in control even if you have to hide or cheat to do it?	Yes No
	ever been accused of being passive-aggressive by more than ople in your life?	Yes No
9. Do you h	ave a tendency to hold grudges?	Yes No
10. Is powe	r an aphrodisiac for you?	Yes No
11. Are you friends?	usually the smartest, richest, or most successful in your circle of	Yes No
12. Do you	secretly believe the rules don't apply to you?	Yes No
If you anow	ared Vac to four or more of these questions, then chances are you are you	porable to the Lura of

If you answered **Yes** to four or more of these questions, then chances are you are vulnerable to the **Lure of Getting Away with It.**

LURE 8: THE ALLURE OF THE FORBIDDEN FRUIT	
1. Do you really like those things that you can't have?	Yes No
2. Do you have at least one guilty pleasure that you use to reward yourself with?	Yes No
3. Do you constantly compare what you have with what others have?	Yes No
4. Do you worry that others may know or have things you don't?	Yes No
5. Are you the type that when people tell you you can't do something, you immediately set out to prove them wrong?	Yes No
6. Do you like going against conventional wisdom?	Yes No
7. Have you ever been called a contrarian?	Yes No
8. Are you attracted to groups that promise secret knowledge or classified information?	Yes No
9. Do you enjoy knowing and keeping secrets?	Yes No
10. Do you like flirting with the edges or pushing the boundaries in life?	Yes No
11. Have you ever been labeled defiant or rebellious?	Yes No
12. Do you have a secret fear of being controlled?	Yes No
13. Do you believe that knowledge is power?	Yes No
14. Do you enjoy being the person able to do the things that other people wished they could do but don't have the courage to do?	Yes No

If you answered **Yes** to three or more of these questions, then chances are you are vulnerable to the **Lure of the Forbidden Fruit.**

LURE 9:	9: THE FREE CHEESE LURE				
1. Do you rely on luck as a strategy?		Yes No			
2. Are you tempted by words like free or complimentary?		Yes No			
3. Do you like taking shortcuts?		Yes No			
4. Are you a minimum efforts type of person?		Yes No			
5. Is convenience a big deciding factor for you?		Yes No			
6. Do you hate feeling burdened or inconvenienced by other people?		Yes No			
7. Do you h	ave a hard time saying no?	Yes No			

If you answered Yes to two or more of these questions, then chances are you are vulnerable to the Free Cheese Lure.





RECOGNIZING EXTRAMARITAL BAIT

DIRECTIONS:

The following are what I consider to be eight of the most commonly encountered baits: three that target men or masculine psychology, three that target women or female psychology, and two that seem to be universal and work across the board. Evaluate your own responsiveness:

1- least responsive, and 5 - highly responsive.



PART 1: BAITS THAT TARGET MEN OR MALE PSYCHOLOGY				
1. The Damsel in Distress Bait This is the woman that taps into a man's secret desire to rescue the princess from the tower, to be her hero, to be needed, to save her, to transport her from drudgery to freedom, to be the man that rights all the wrongs that have been done to her so far.	SUSCEPTIBILITY RATING 1 2 3 4 5			
2. The Sex Siren Bait The sex siren represents sexual freedom. Her allure is her ability to project the fantasy of being that woman with the elusive ability to enjoy sex without guilt.	SUSCEPTIBILITY RATING 1 2 3 4 5			
3. The Submissive Female The submissive female taps into a man's desire to be the ultimate object of a woman's devotion.	SUSCEPTIBILITY RATING 1 2 3 4 5			



BAITS THAT TARGET WOMEN OR FEMALE PSYCHOLOGY

1. The Don Juan Bait

The Don Juan type has the ability to tap into a woman's repressed longing to experience love with a truly great lover, one who instinctively understands her, and is able to communicate and connect and give her what she wants without her having to tell him.

2. The James Bond Bait

The James Bond type taps into a married woman's repressed longing for mystery, excitement, and glamour that married life no longer provides.

3. The Bad Boy

He represents the opposite, or he is the contrast of what a woman has. He gives her a glimpse of life from a different perspective from the other side of the tracks, which can be very titillating and exciting.













THE TWO UNIVERSAL EXTRAMARITAL BAITS

1. The Alpha Bait

The alpha male and the alpha female tap into our secret desire to be with the leader of the pack or to enjoy power by association.

2. The Unicorn Bait

The "Unicorn" describes the perfect man or the perfect woman that you've been chasing all your life. This is the one you've been searching for all your life but you never thought existed, and represents all your fantasies, all your romantic wishes and desires come to life.

STEP O

THE POWER OF PASSIONATE MONOGAMY



PASSIONATE MONOGAMY

THE GUIDING PRINCIPLES





1. The core ingredients for creating passionate monogamy are: love, trust, open communication and sexual happiness.

As long as we're willing to nurture and grow these ingredients, they will deliver a lifetime of passionate monogamy.



2. Relationship happiness is created by design, not by default.

To embrace Passionate Monogamy means conscious defining and refining of our rules for relationship happiness.



3. Soul mates aren't made in heaven; they're made right here on earth.

Our soul-mated relationship is the result of our shared commitment to love, trust, communicate and continually grow our sexual happiness.



4. Passion is the secret sauce that makes monogamy successful.

We choose to remember that love is like the salt that preserves your relationship, but passion is like the sugar that sweetens it, and both are necessary in the recipe for sustaining passionate monogamy.



5. Happiness means having windows, not walls.

We will strive to find the right mix of freedom and boundaries, of adventure and security, and designing our relationship with windows and not walls.







THE TWELVE FREEDOMS

OF PASSIONATE MONOGAMY

WE AGREE TO GRANT EACH OTHER THESE 12 FREEDOMS ALL THE WAY UP TO FOREVER:

- 1. The freedom to grow personally
 - 2. The freedom to explore
- 3. The freedom to make mistakes and learn from them
 - 4. The freedom to enjoy one's work
 - 5. The freedom to be oneself
 - 6. The freedom to agree or disagree
 - 7. The freedom to experience our feelings
 - 8. The freedom to be honest and live authentically
 - 9. The freedom to be playful
 - 10. The freedom to enjoy solitude and introspection
 - 11. The freedom to have privacy
 - 12. The freedom to know God or a higher power

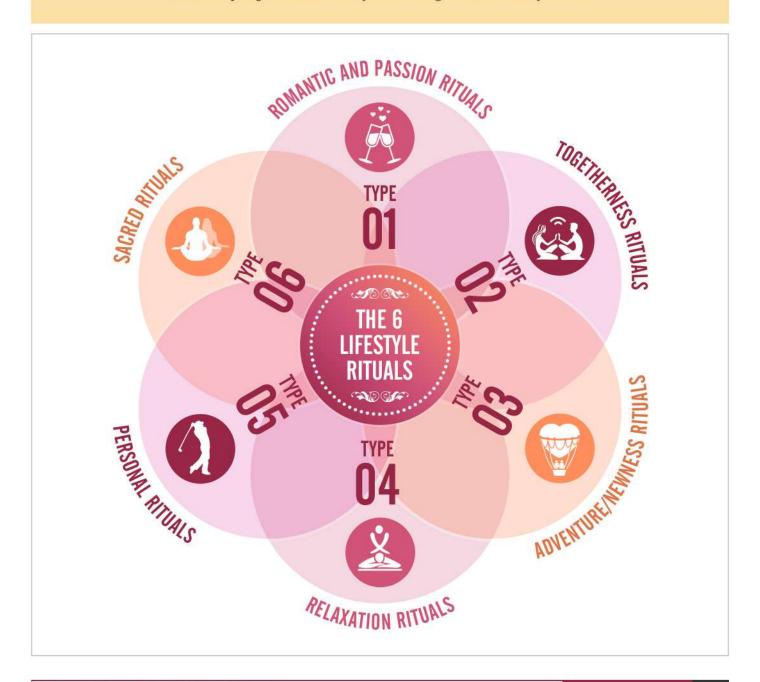
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THE 6 LIFESTYLE RITUALS

To consciously sustain and continually reignite our passionate monogamy, we agree to incorporate these 6 Lifestyle Rituals in ways that feel good and healthy for us.







TYPE 01: ROMANTIC AND PASSION RITUALS

DESCRIPTION: These are the things we are willing to do on a consistent basis to keep the romance alive.

EXAMPLES: Date nights, spa dates, wine tastings and other savoring events

OUR ROMANTIC RITUALS INCLUDE:





TYPE 02: TOGETHERNESS RITUALS

DESCRIPTION: These are our shared common experiences that we use to strengthen the boundaries of our friendship through shared enjoyment.

EXAMPLES: Cooking together, dance classes, golfing together, couple's vacations

OUR TOGETHERNESS RITUALS INCLUDE:



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PASSIONATE MONOGAMY

COUPLE'S COMMITMENT PLEDGE

Let us remember that love is the reason for this relationship.

Let us remember that "true love" is a decision (not an emotion), so we choose to think, act and decide for love in all ways and for always.

Let us remember to allow the past to be over every night, so we can begin anew every day.

Let us remember that "together" is how we arrive at our True Love destination.

Let us remember: our relationship happiness is created by design, and not by chance or default.

Let us remember that our mistakes are a call for forgiveness, not punishment.

Let us remember to build on our strengths, not on stereotypes.

Let us remember to never ever stop dating.

Let us remember that sex matters, but creating sexual happiness matters more.

Let us remember that love is the answer to every conflict, argument and disagreement.

Let us remember that our bond is strengthened by our shared common experiences, and deepened during our times of trouble, stress and crisis.

Let us remember to lavish love, to shower praise, and to solve problems with logic.

Let us remember that our relationship is a journey... where growth is the purpose, enjoyment is the reason, and True Love is the destination.

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STEP OTT

THE PASSIONATE COUPLE: SECRETS TO REIGNITE YOUR MARRIAGE





WHAT'S YOUR FOREPLAY STYLE?





Use the worksheet and check which appeals to you and which you think appeals to your partner. Your partner should do the same.



Write down which style you think you both need to work on.



Compare notes and discover how well you know each other.



DIRECTION: Choose the option that suits you best.						
My signature foreplay style is:						
Romantic foreplay Sensual foreplay Adventurous foreplay Tantric foreplay						
My partner's signature style is:						
Romantic foreplay Sensual foreplay Adventurous foreplay Tantric foreplay						
The style we most need to work on is:						
Romantic foreplay Sensual foreplay Adventurous foreplay Tantric foreplay						
*REVIEW YOUR ANSWERS WITH YOUR PARTNER THEN ANSWER THE FOLLOWING: 1. In what ways do our styles complement each other?						
2. In what ways do our styles contrast from each other?						
3. What other styles are we willing to explore together?						

COURSE NOTES



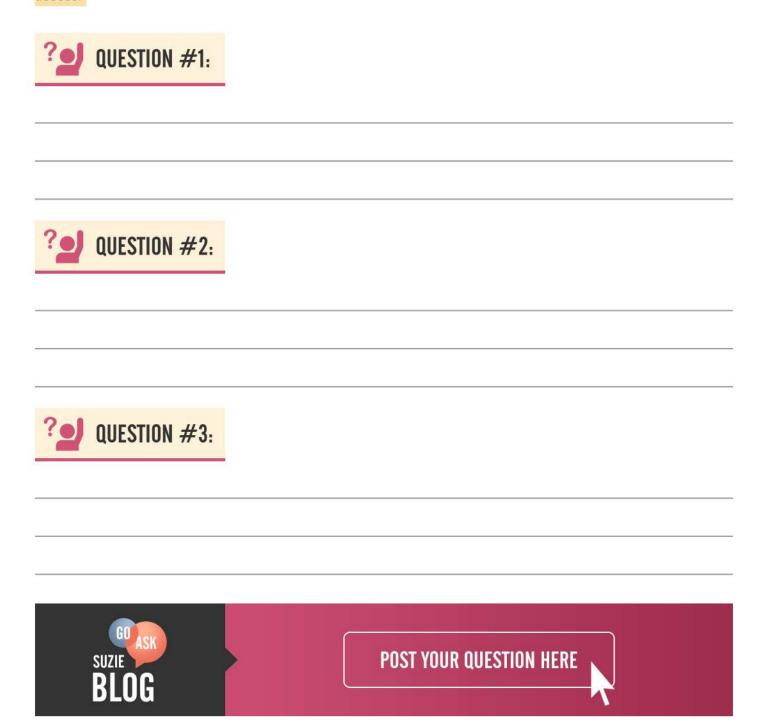
Thank you for participating in this course!

I have faith that the work you both did together will bless you for a lifetime.

Suzie

QUESTIONS FOR SUZIE?

You can post your questions to me here my in Blog. This way, others can benefit from your question. And although I do get lots of questions daily, I make it a point to answer questions from my course students first, so please indicate in your question that you are a Marriage Rehab (MR) student. This ensures your question gets priority access.



NEXT STEPS?



TWO OPTIONS FOR CONTINUING YOUR RECOVERY WORK WITH SUZIE:



OPTION #2:

SCHEDULE A COUPLES COACHING SESSION WITH SUZIE

Phone | Skype | FaceTime

> FIND OUT MORE HERE

ATTEND SUZIE'S COUPLES RETREAT

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