# Stress Management

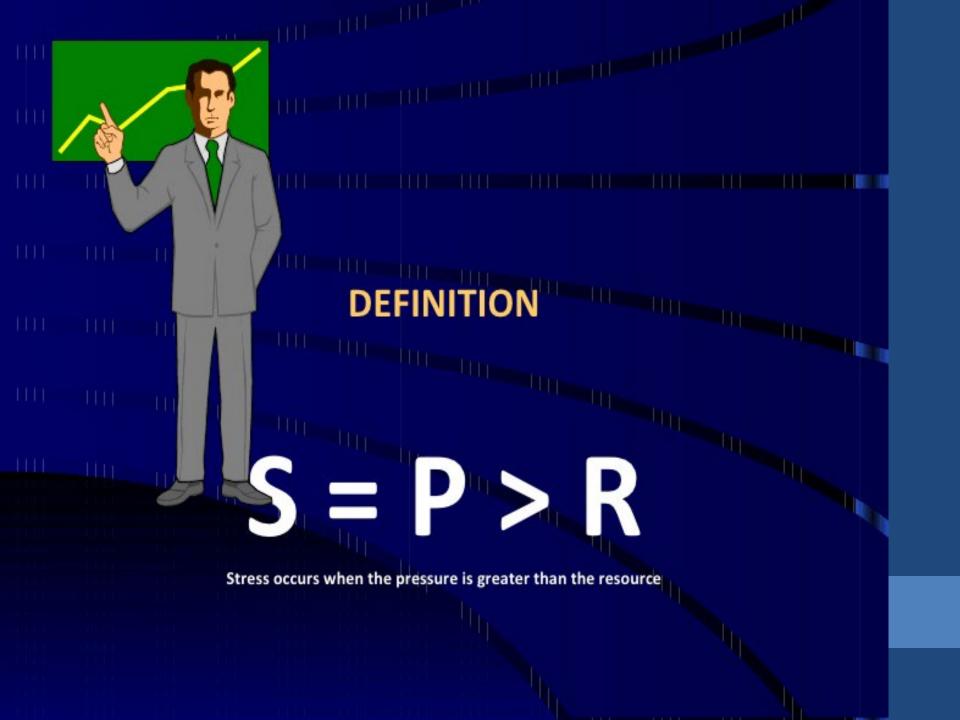
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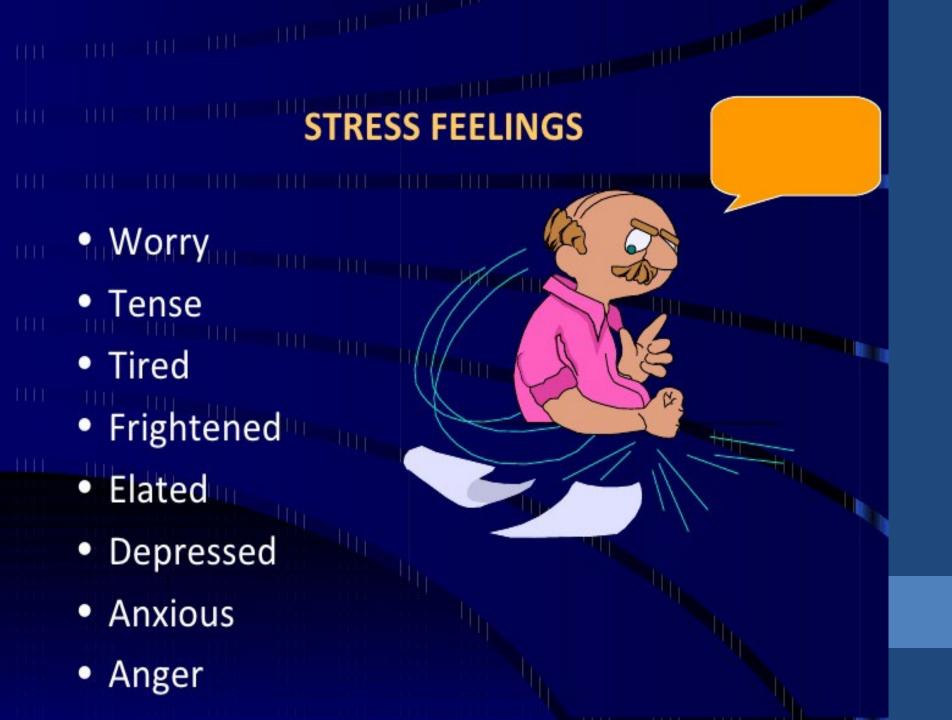
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#### **General Awareness**

- Definition
- Stress feelings
- Stress related Illness
- Types of Stressors
- Types of Stress



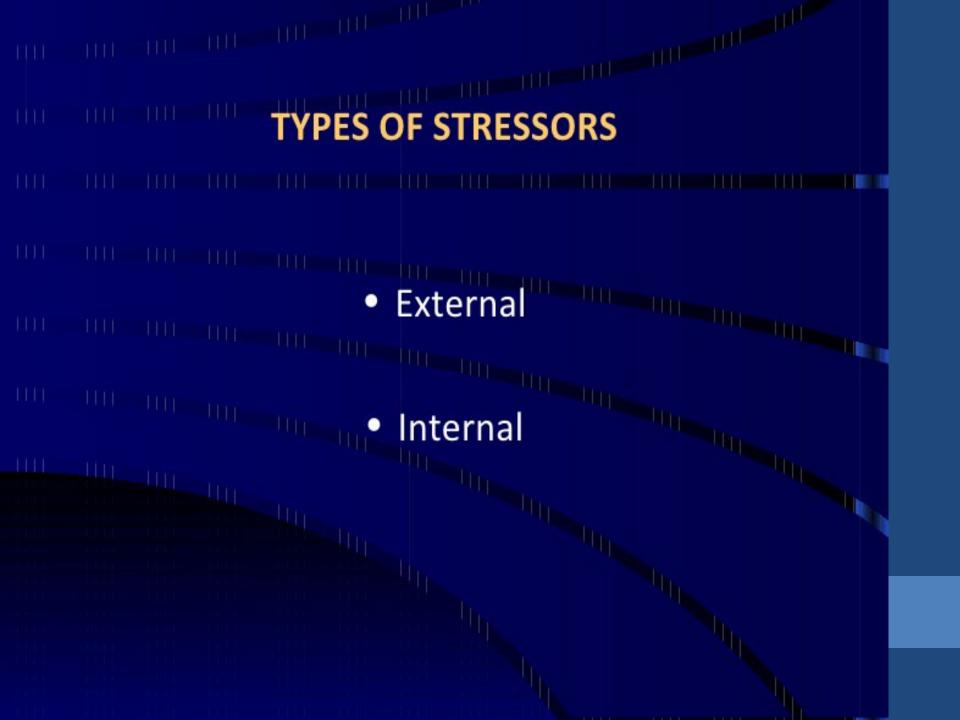


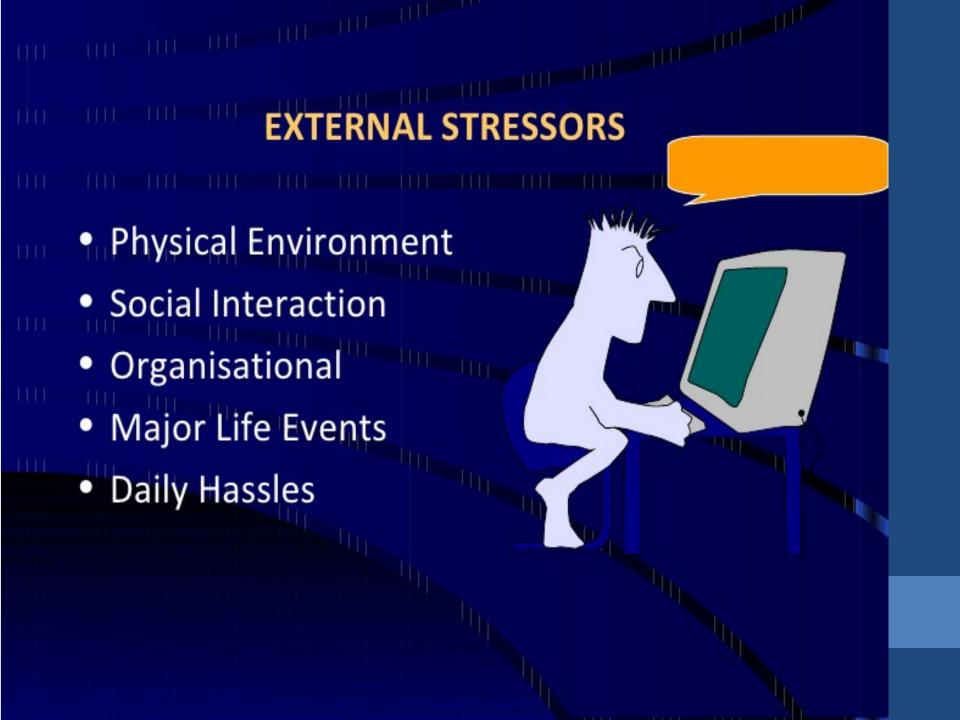
## STRESS RELATED ILLNESSES

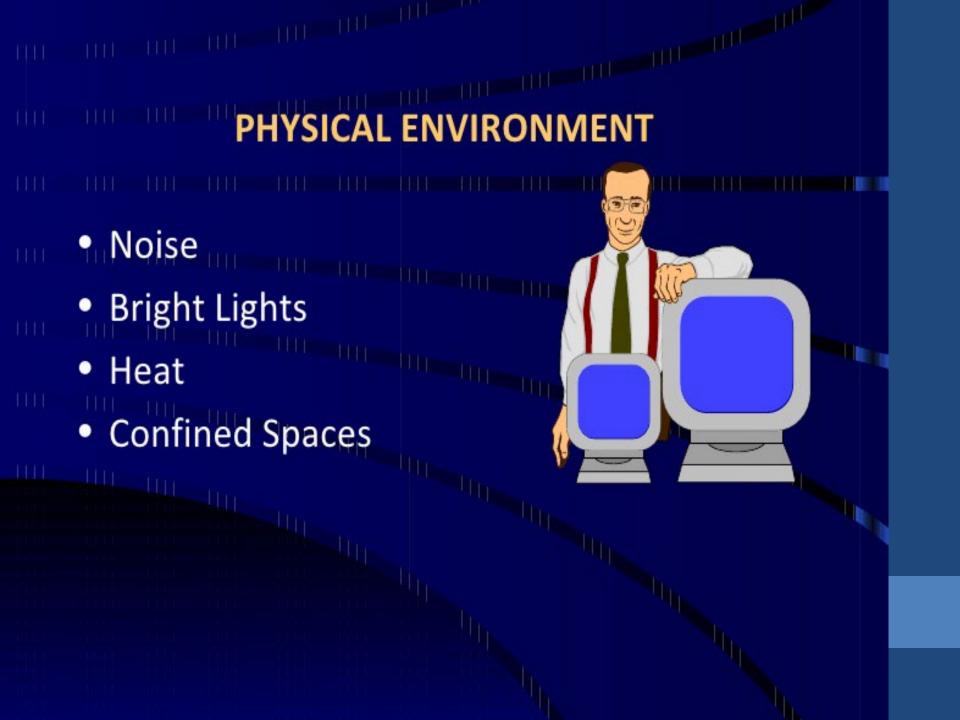
Stress is not the same as ill-health, but has been related to such illnesses as;

- Cardiovascular disease
- Immune system disease
- Asthma
- Diabetes









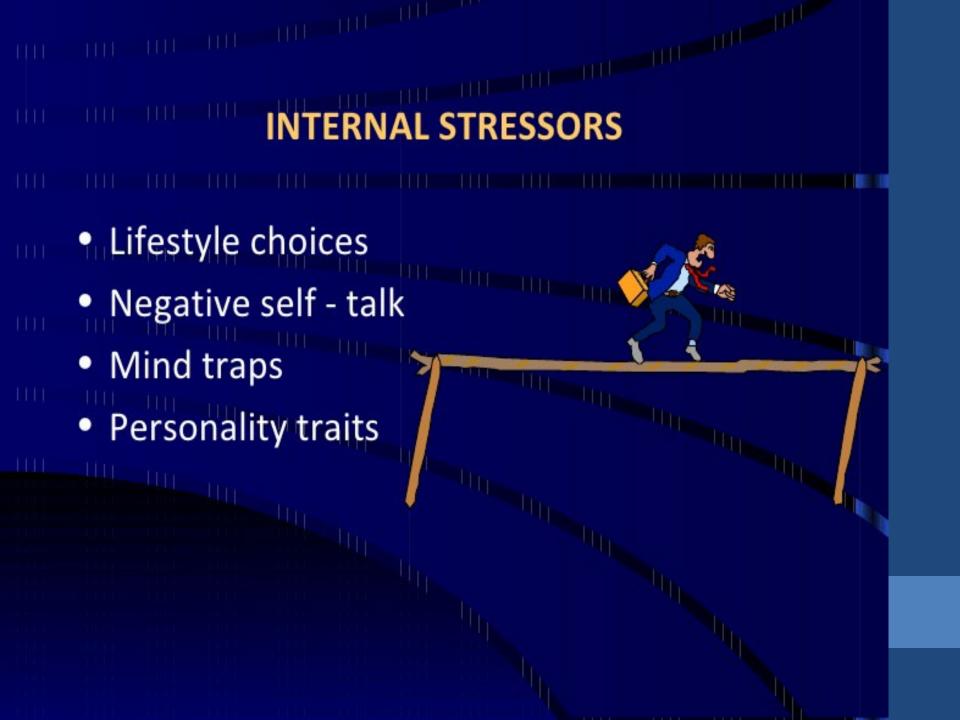


- Rudeness
- Bossiness
- Aggressiveness by others
- Bullying















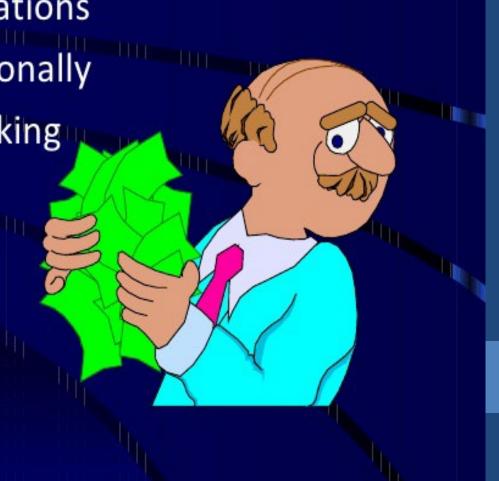
Unrealistic expectations

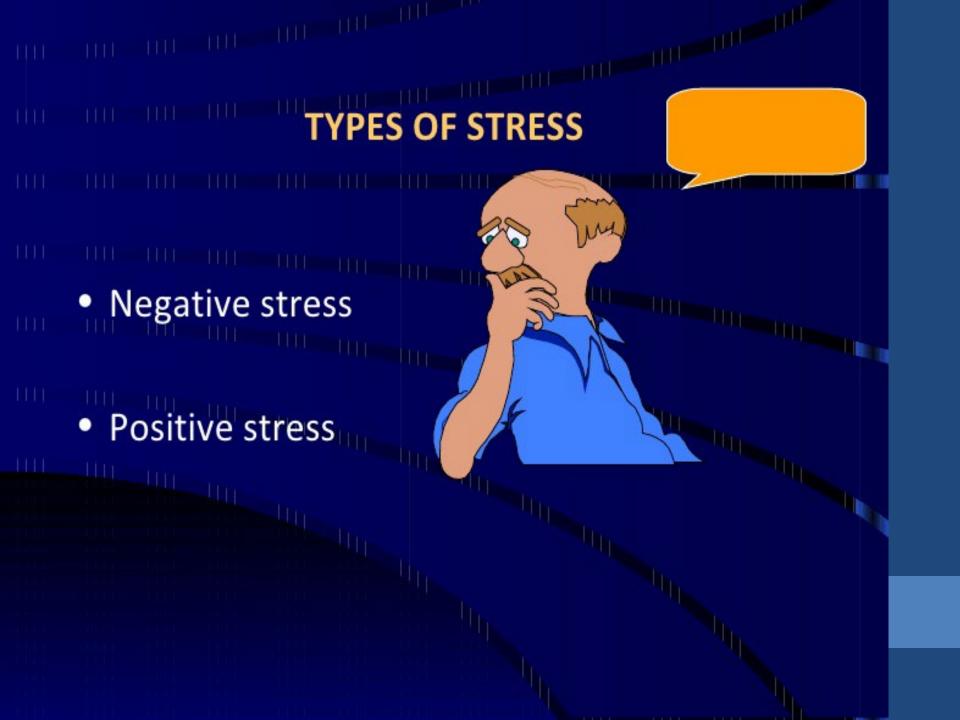
Taking things personally

All or nothing thinking

Exaggeration

Rigid thinking









It is a contributory factor in minor conditions, such as headaches, digestive problems, skin complaints, insomnia and ulcers.

Excessive, prolonged and unrelieved stress can have a harmful effect on mental, physical and spiritual health.



#### **POSITIVE STRESS**

Stress can also have a positive effect, spurring motivation and awareness, providing the stimulation to cope with challenging situations.

Stress also provides the sense of urgency and alertness needed for survival when confronting threatening situations.

# Cultivate Extreme Resilience to Eliminate Stress Forever

# Major categories that causes for Stress

- Financial matters
- Relation ship matters
- Children
- Business & Career
- external Stuff
- Health
- Too much to do
- I am not there where I want to be
- Personality Traits(Perfectionists ,Workholics)

#### Having rigid idea

We have a rigid idea that is how my life should be and this is how universe should treat me. But the universe is not playing ball with you.

Ex: idea about your financial security, Relationships

#### Attempt to control your environment

your life has a endless quest to have control over some part of Your surroundings. But it is a illusion of control.

#### Causes for Stress

- "ME"- Centred Attitude
- Goal Oriented rather than Journey Oriented
- Mental Chatter
- Mental Chatter is an internal monologue that we have going on on our head all the time.
  - An artificial life is constructed with your mental chatter.

#### Pre occupied Mental models

Mental model is the notion that this is the way the world works and you more believe in your model and build a silo around which dictate your life.

## Reasons for Negative Thoughts

- Negative Thoughts (Regret from past, unsatisfactory of present worry about future
- Having own filter of our own Experience
- Always focusing on Negative points
- Labelling other people
- Guilt Feeling
- illogical thinking

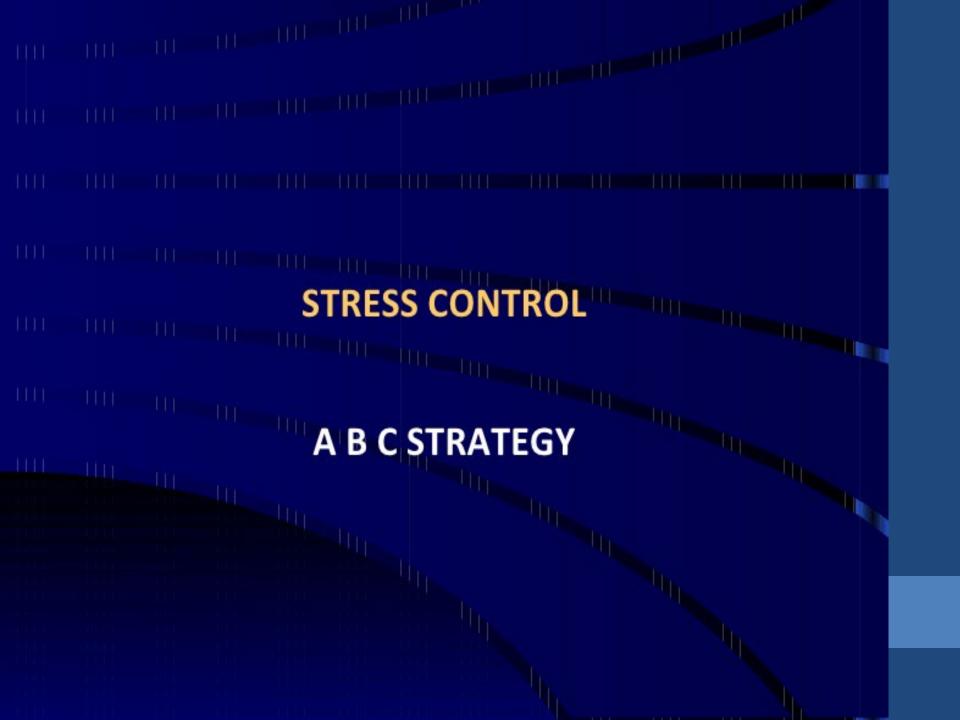
#### **EMOTIONS**

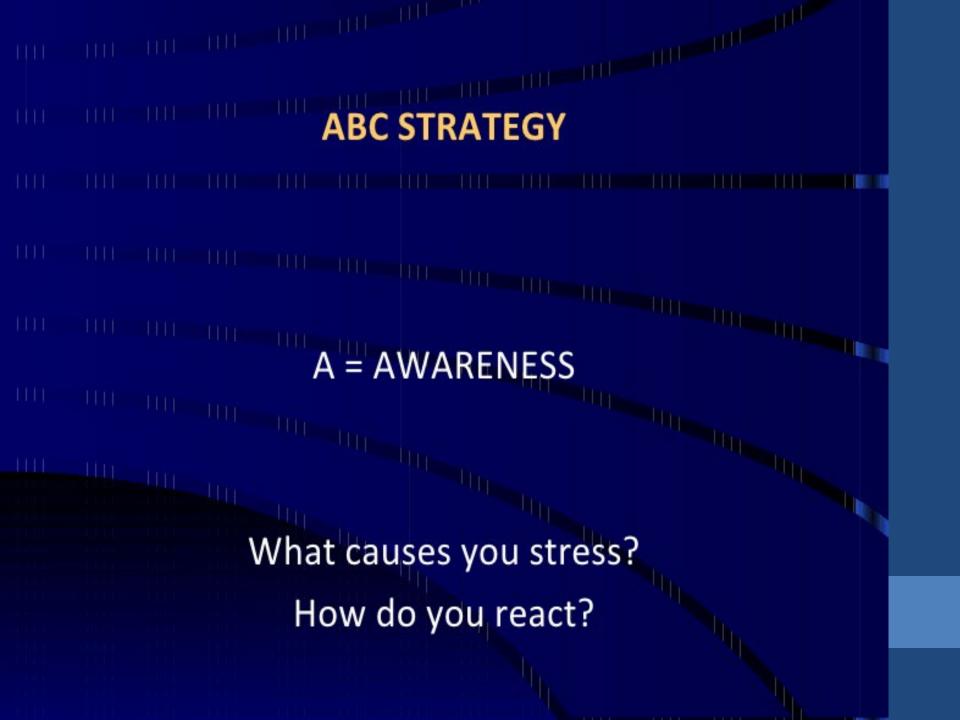
Something +Non acceptance= Negative emotions

- ANGER
- Fear
- Jealous
- hatredness

Some thing +acceptance=positive emotions

- TOLERANCE
- Adventure
- Inspiration
- Forgiveness







B = BALANCE

There is a fine line between positive / negative stress

How much can you cope with before it becomes negative?

#### **ABC STRATEGY**

C = CONTROL

What can you do to help yourself combat the negative effects of stress?

## Coping mechanism

- Ready to face uncertainty
- Use filter for your clarity of thoughts
- be optimistic
- Avoid Guilt Feeling
- Reframe your mind with compassion and love.
- Don't be Reactive but try to Respond(try to choose right response)
- Don't blame others/situations& Think logically.
- Don't try to control others/situations/life.
- Try to understand the person.
- Don't be judgemental.
- Be grateful and compassionate
- Maintain Positive Emotions

## Coping mechanism

- Filter your negative thoughts
- Glad game
- Fortune telling
- Bad brain habits
- Enjoy the journey
- Feed your positive thoughts
- Ventilation
- Good humour
- Diversion and Distraction
- Change your life style(Diet, Sleep, Exercise, Relaxation)

# Time Management

## Time Management

- 1. Time Management is not a peripheral skill but it is a core skill
- 2. Important Techniques for Time Management
- 3. Prepare do list and not to do list
- 4. Wakeup 30Minutes early every day
- 5. Set up your Goals
  - a. Short term Goals
  - b. Long term Goals
  - c. Family and Personal Goals
  - d. Business and Carer Goals
  - e. Personal Development Goals
- 6. Prepare a plan to execute your work to achieve the Goals
- 7. Delegate work to your subordinates and or peer groups
- 8. Develop Good working habits

# Four Working good habits which will help Prevent Fatigue and Worry

- 1.Clear your Desk of all Papers except those relating to the immediate problem at hand.
- 2. Do Things in the Order of their Importance.
- 3. When you face a problem, solve it then and there if you have the facts necessary to make a decision. Don't keep putting off decisions.
- 4. Learn to Organize, Deputize and Supervise

	Urgent	Not Urgent
Important	I Activities Crises Pressing Problems Dead Line Projects	Activities Relationship Building New Opportunities Planning & Recreation
not Important	III Activities Some calls & mails, reports Meetings Popular Activities	Activities Some Phone calls Time wasters Pleasant Activities



# **Time Management**

Make a list
 What MUST be done
 What SHOULD be done
 What would you LIKE to do

- Cut out time wasting
- Learn to drop unimportant activities
  - Say no or delegate

Past is History Future is Mystery Present is Gift Utilize your time wisely



Change your thinking

Change your behaviour

Change your lifestyle

# Put Stress in Its Place

How you handle stress makes a big difference in how you feel.
 It might even help your blood pressure, blood sugar level, and
 the rest of you. Use these calming strategies to stop stress
 ASAP.



## Get Outside

 Spending time outdoors, even close to home, is linked to better well-being. You're in a natural setting, and you're usually doing something active, like walking or hiking. Even a few minutes can make a difference in how you feel.





#### Smile Like You Mean It

- Be a happy man
- Don't roll your eyes the next time someone advises you to "grin and bear it." In times of tension, keeping a smile on your face – especially a genuine smile that's formed by the muscles around your eyes as well as your mouth – reduces your body's stress responses, even if you don't feel happy. Smiling also helps lower heart rates faster once your stressful situation ends.

# Sniff Some Lavender

Certain scents like lavender may soothe. In one study, nurses
who pinned small vials of lavender oil to their clothes felt their
stress ease, while nurses who didn't felt more stressed.
Lavender may intensify the effect of some painkillers and antianxiety medications, so if you're taking either, check with your
doctor before use.



#### Listen Music

 Heading into a stressful situation? Music can help you calm down. In one study, people had lower levels of the stress hormone cortisol when they listened to a recording of Latin choral music before doing something stressful (like doing math out loud or giving a speech) than when they listened to Music that improves cortisol hormone levels.

#### Reboot Your Breath

• Feeling less stressed is as close as your next breath. Focusing on your breath curbs your body's "fight or flight" reaction to pressure or fear, and it pulls your attention away from negative thoughts. Sit comfortably in a quiet place. Breathe in slowly through your nose, letting your chest and lower belly rise and your abdomen expand. Breathe out just as slowly, repeating a word or phrase that helps you relax. To reap the most benefit, repeat for at least 10 minutes.



#### **Be Kind to Yourself**

 We all have a constant stream of thoughts running through our heads, and sometimes what we tell ourselves isn't so nice.
 Staying positive and using compassionate self-talk will help you calm down and get a better grip on the situation. Talk to yourself in the same gentle, encouraging way you'd help a friend in need. "Everything will be OK," for instance, or "I'll figure out how to handle this."

# Write Your Stress Away

Jotting down your thoughts can be a great emotional outlet.
 Once they're on paper, you can start working out a plan to resolve them. It doesn't matter whether you prefer pen and notebook, a phone app, or a file on your laptop. The important thing is that you're honest about your feelings.



## Tell a Friend

 When you're feeling overwhelmed, seek out the company of a friend or loved one. Have a friend who's dealing with the same worries as you? Even more reason to open up. You'll both feel less alone.



# Get Moving

 When you work up a sweat, you improve your mood, clear your head, and take a break from whatever is stressing you out. Whether you like a long walk or an intense workout at the gym, you'll feel uplifted afterward.



# Thumb rules to stop worrying and start living

- > Shut the iron doors on the past and future. Live in present time.
- > See the funny side of life.
- **Keep busy.** The worried person must lose himself in action.
- > Do the very best you can.
- **➤** Count your blessings not your troubles.
- > Forget yourself by becoming interested in others.
- Every day try to do a good deed that will put a smile of joy on someone's face.

# Stop worrying.... Enjoy Life...

# Thank You

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