# To Do or Not To Do

Writing to Reduce Anxiety and Reconnect with Self

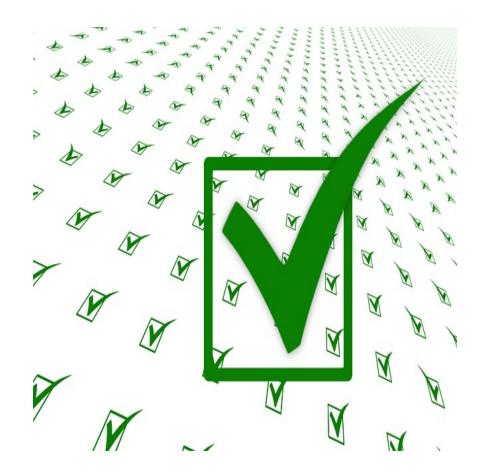
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## To Do Today:

**Brush** Teeth **Call Grandma File Taxes Go** Outside □ Make Dinner Plan **Homework G**688 **G**693 **Send Birthday Card Do Laundry General Fold Laundry Put Away Laundry** 

# Checking My Priorities



- Grandma 🔹 Taxes
- I Am Not a Chore
- Estimate Value
- Trust People
- Be Clear

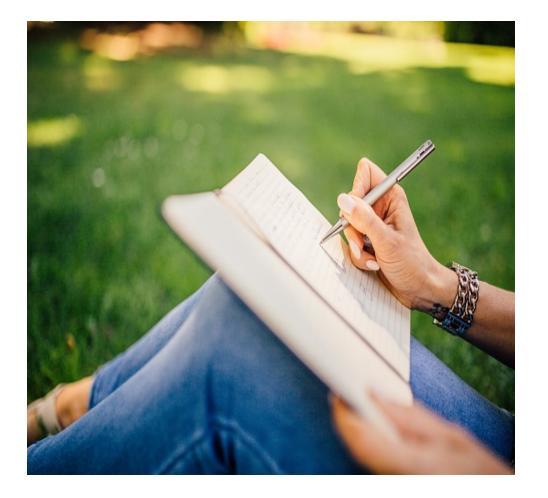
# Checking In, Not Checking Off

#### What is Coming Up?

- Work
  - Meetings
  - Performance
  - Emails
- Life
  - Family
  - Friends
  - Marriage
  - Existence
- School
  - Readings/Homework
  - Insights

#### How Do I Feel? How Did it Go?

- Reactions
  - Worse or Better?
  - Calm or Anxious?
  - Appropriate or disproportionate?
- Actions
  - Can I do anything?
  - Should I do anything?
  - What could I do better?
  - Am I doing the most I can?



### Write to the Point

**What am I thinking about?** 

**How do I feel?** 

**Why do I feel that way?** 

**□**Have I felt this way before?

**U**How did it affect my actions?

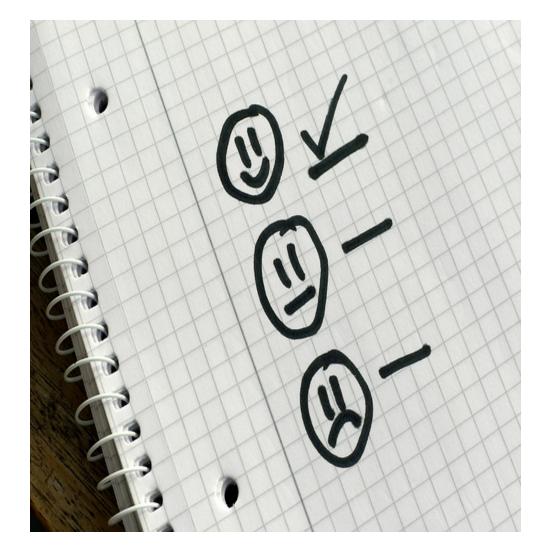
□What outcome do I want?

□What will help me?

## What I Need To Do



- Respect Others' Schedules
- Respect My Schedule
- Respect Others' Boundaries
- Define My Boundaries
- Listen to Others
- Listen to Myself
- Help When I Can
- Ask For Help
- Accept Help
- Accept "No"
- Say "No"



## To Do Tomorrow

(Plan for Practice) □Prioritize "Why" Over "What" **Recognize My Needs Differentiate** Needs/Musts/Wants **Communicate Clearly Confront Conflict Directly To Do Lists for Tasks Only** □Write for Mental Health □ Journal Let Thoughts Develop **Unburden** Clear Clutter **Creative Explore** Express



For You To Do □Look at Your List **Recognize Your Feelings** □Write It Out **Complete the Task** 

Check In with Your Feelings

□Write It Out (Later)

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