

## coping with emotions

Certain Coping skills are more effective in helping with different emotions. Sometimes when you are in the moment, it can be difficult to think of coping skills. Writing down which coping skills you perfer to use with specific feelings can help you to focus on what works best!

1. When I feel ANGRY I can...(List 3 coping skills that might help)

2. When I feel LONLEY I can...(List 3 coping skills that might help)

3. When I feel SAD I can...(List 3 coping skills that might help)

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4. When I feel AFRAID I can...(List 3 coping skills that might help)

5. When I feel ANXIOUS I can...(List 3 coping skills that might help)

6. When I feel BORED I can...(List 3 coping skills that might help)

7. When I feel EMPTY I can...(List 3 coping skills that might help)

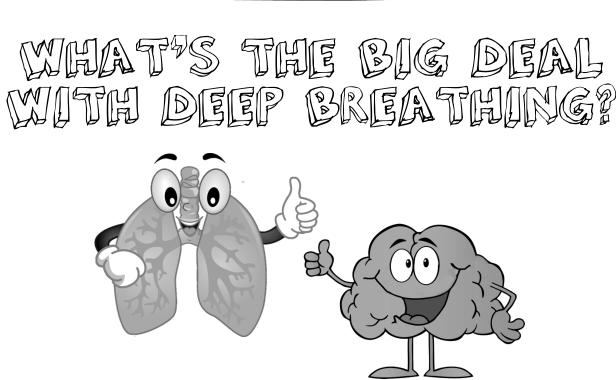
8. When I feel JEALOUS I can...(List 3 coping skills that might help)

9. I feel OVERWHELMED I can...(List 3 coping skills that might help)

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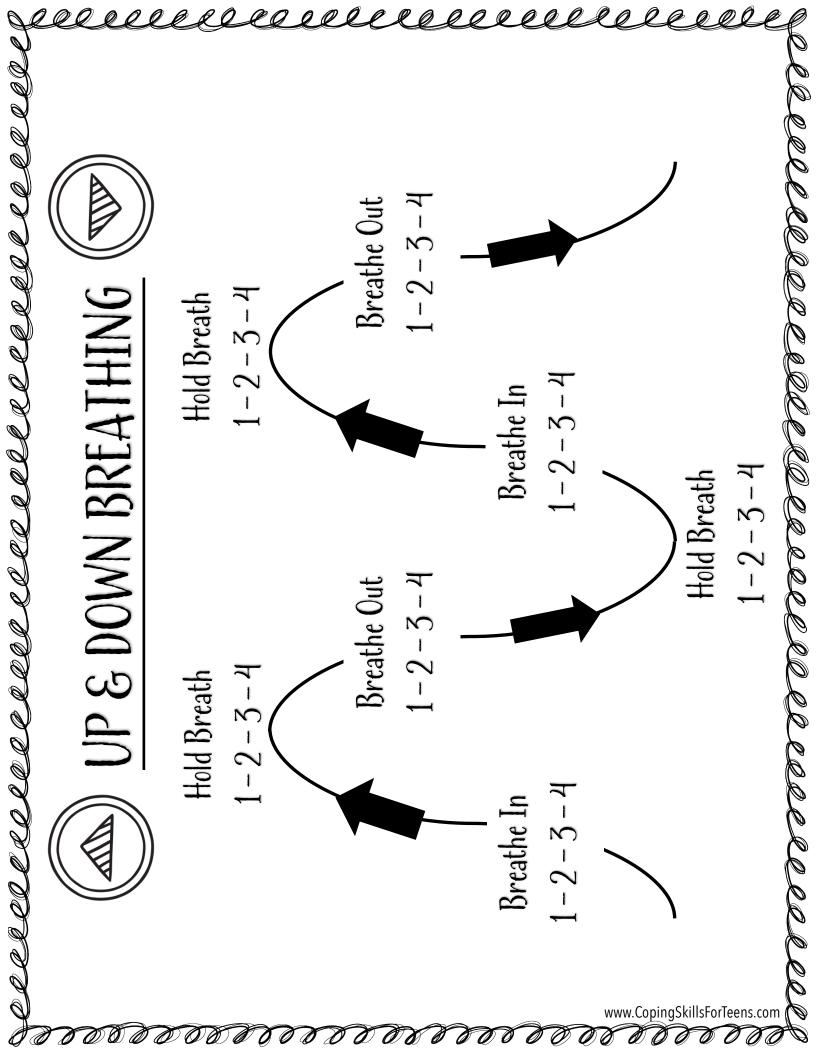
One way to quickly reduce stress or anxiety is to deep breathe. When we breathe deeply and rhythmically it stimulates the lungs to send a message to the brain that "all is well." In turn, the brain tells the body to relax and you feel better!

> Here's one way to deep breathe: I. Inhale for 4 counts 2. Hold your breath for 4 counts 3. Exhale for 4 counts 4. Hold your breath for 4 counts

Try using the diagram on the back of this page as a guide. Then notice how calm you feel. Now, that is a big deal!

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