STUDENT GUIDE 3 FOR THE ON SECOND THOUGHT PROGRAM

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WHICH ONE AM 1?.....

Thinking that your problem is worse than it really is.

Iffy thoughts Use this handout to keep track of your answers by placing an x on the incorrect and a check on the correct responses.

Witty thoughts

Thinking that your achievements are no big deal.

Believing that someone is thinking negatively about you

Using demanding words on yourself and/or others.

Ask yourself, "What am I thinking?" Your behavior influences the outcome.

Ask/answer the questions: who, what, when and where to determine why

Constantly repeating a negative thought.

Explaining away your positive experiences.

Attaching a negative label to yourself and/or others based on an experience.

Use your senses
to think more
clearly about a
situation.

In any given situation at least two people share responsibility. Use less extreme words (sometimes,a few, etc).

Thinking is based on negative feelings.

Thinking the outcome will be negative.

Passing the blame onto someone else.

Using less demanding words such as maybe and perhaps.

More evidence leads to wittier thinking. Ask yourself what someone else might think about the situation.

With little information, you use words like: all always and never to form your opinion.

Thinking with extreme words.

Taking all of the blame.

Give yourself credit for your efforts.

Earn Brownie Points

Guess which one?

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Twist Someone's
Words

Pass The Buck

Play Down

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The Handwriting
Is On The Wall

Do *A* 180 Tip The Scales It Takes Two To Tango

Go On A Fishing Expedition Cut Someone Some Slack Put Yourself In Someone Else's Shoes Collect One's Thoughts

Come To One's Senses Burning Questions

Paint Everyone With The Same Brush