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## MOUNTAINER

Your Mental Wellness Matters.

Anxiety

Stress

Depression

PTSD







Coping Techniques to Calm the Mind:

Box Breathing | Muscle Relaxation | Guided Imagery



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## **Box Breathing**

- 1. Breathe in slowly through your nose
- 2. Hold your breath for a count of 4
- 3. Breath out slowly from your mouth
- 4. Hold your breath for a count of 4

### **Muscle Relaxation**

- 1. Imagine every muscle in your body.
- 2. Curl your toes and tense your feet, *release*
- 3. Tense the muscles in your legs, release
- 4. Tense the muscles in the stomach and chest, *release*
- 5. Tense the muscles in the shoulders, *release*
- 6. Tense the muscles in the hand, creating a fist, *release*
- 7. Squeeze your eyes shut, release

## **Guided Imagery**

- 1. Visualize a relaxing environment (ex. The ocean)
- 2. Use each of your five senses to feel the environment
  - What do you see?
  - What do you hear?
  - What do you smell?
  - What do you taste?
  - What do you feel?
- 3. Hold that visualization in your mind, and feel the calmness you associate with that place wash over you.

# You are worthy of happiness and peace of mind.





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