

Self-Efficacy Reflection Journal

A guided tool for building confidence and reinforcing strengths

What is Self-Efficacy?

Self-efficacy is a person's **belief in their ability to succeed**. In Motivational Interviewing (MI), strengthening self-efficacy is essential because peers who **believe they can make a change are more likely to follow through**. This journal helps peers reflect on their strengths, past successes, and personal growth to build confidence in their ability to change.

Wey Insight: The more a peer recognizes their strengths, the more motivated they will be to take action.

Step 1: Identifying Personal Strengths

✓ What are three qualities that help you overcome challenges?

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✓ What is something difficult you've accomplished in the past?

✓ How do others describe your strengths?

Pro Tip: If you struggle to identify strengths, think about **times when you've helped others or shown resilience.**

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Step 2: Recognizing Past Successes

 \checkmark Describe a time when you set a goal and achieved it.

✓ What strategies helped you succeed in that situation?

✓ What did you learn about yourself from that experience?

Pro Tip: Even small successes matter—**progress is built on small, consistent steps.**

Step 3: Reframing Challenges into Opportunities

 \checkmark Think of a time when you faced a setback—what did you learn from it?

✓ What strengths did you use to get through a difficult time?

 \checkmark How can you apply those strengths to a current challenge?

Pro Tip: Mistakes and challenges are part of growth—each setback teaches you something valuable.

Step 4: Looking Toward the Future

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 \checkmark What is one change you are considering making in your life?

 \checkmark On a scale of 1-10, how confident do you feel about making this change?

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✓ What would help increase your confidence by just one point on that scale?

 \checkmark What is one small step you can take toward this change this week?

Pro Tip: Confidence builds with action—focus on what you CAN do today.

Final Reflection

✓ What is one key insight you gained from this exercise?

 \checkmark What affirmation or message do you want to remind yourself of moving forward?

✓ How will you continue strengthening your belief in yourself?

? Final Thought: Self-efficacy grows when you recognize your strengths, reflect on past successes, and take small steps toward your goals.

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