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Culture of Care Series

Train-the-Trainer to Integrate a Culture of Care

Session 4, Part 1: Building Belonging



Introductions

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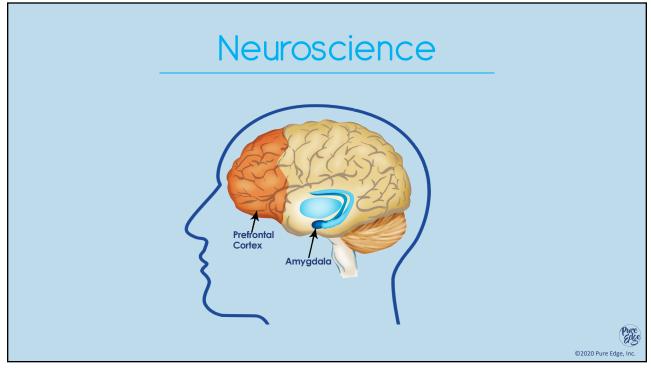


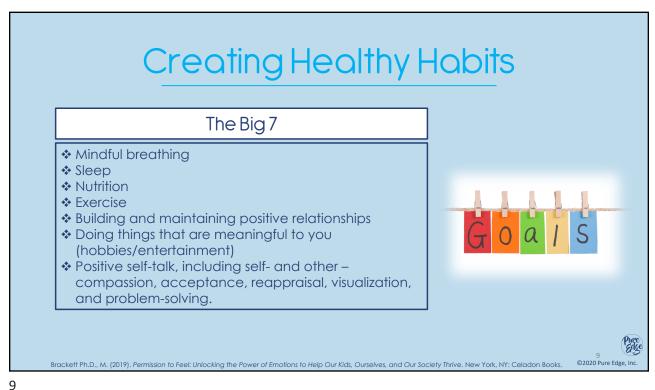






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Habit Development

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Implementation Tips

- 1. Establish A Consistent Routine
- 2. Start of Day/End of Day/Transitions
- 3. Start Small, Then Build
- 4. Repeat, Repeat, Repeat
- 5. Be Comfortable With the Exercises



Learning Objectives

- Identify the dimensions of belonging.
- ❖ Analyze the environmental role in belonging and resource allocation.
- Identify resources for building belonging.
- ❖ Describe how and when to implement Brain Breaks.
- ❖ Develop a plan for Brain Break implementation that aligns with SEL competencies and objectives.
- ❖ Illustrate the interconnectedness of SEL and self-care.
- Practice and implement Breathe, Move, and Rest Strategies for Selfawareness and Self-management
- Identify CASEL competencies.
- ❖ Acquire Skills to train colleagues in SEL, evidence-based curricula.



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Engaging Activity: Anchor Breathing

- - 2. Rest your hand on your chosen breathing space: tummy, chest or your nose.

1. Sit down and get comfortable.

- 3. Do your breathing and keep your attention on your breathing space.
- 4. When your attention wanders, gently bring it back to your breathing space.
- 5. Can you be mindful of your breathing for 5 breaths? For 1 minute?





Brain Breaks

Move (You Choose ©)



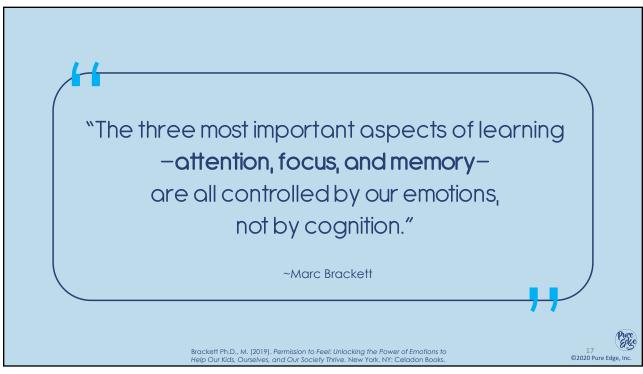
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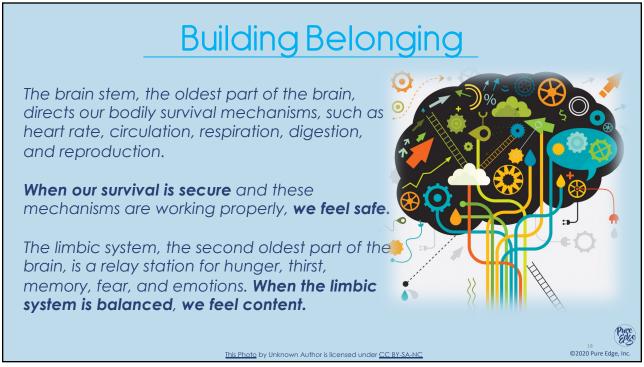


Engaging Activity: Taking in the Good

- 1. Think of one thing from the day that you feel good about, and be specific—for example, you listened, you were more creative, you lent a helping hand, or someone smiled at you, etc.
- 2. Hold on to that memory for the next 30 seconds. Remember it in as much detail as you can.
- 3. Allow the feeling associated with the memory to sink in your mind. Act as a sponge, absorbing the memory and the feeling together.







When we do not feel safe, we tend to feel fear or insecurity.

When we do not feel content, we tend to feel as though we are lacking.

When we do not feel connected, we might feel rejected or alone.





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Belonging and Performance



Stereotype Threat (Steele)

When students have questions about their belonging, they search for cues to signal whether or not they fit in and are valued by others.



Resource Allocation

Resources otherwise used to focus on learning are instead used to figure out if they belong.

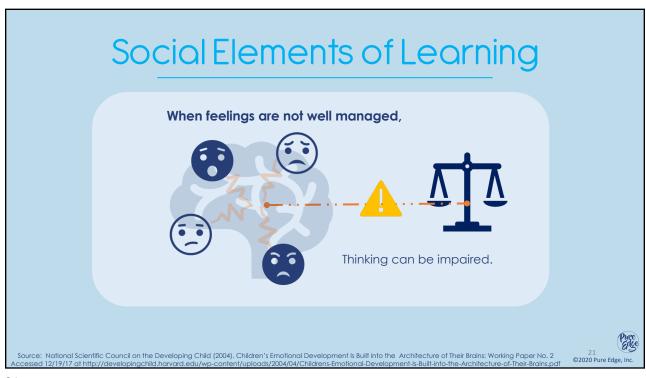
Role in Achievement Gaps

Because such questions undermine performance & are more common among underrepresented groups, they contribute to gaps.





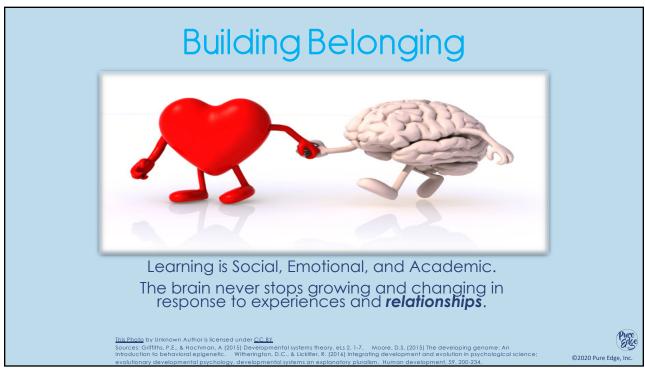
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How to Build Belonging

- Normalize Teach students questions of belonging and difference are normal and lessen over time
- 2. Express Confidence Communicate confidence in students' capability to meet high standards along with critical feedback,

"this draft can be improved, I believe you can do it."

Culture of Care practices foster social and personal conditions to increase belonging.

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Tenets of Culture of Care A Culture of Care... Integrates SEL throughout the school Recognizes the importance of caring for self and others Values communication and compassion Fosters belonging for all community members



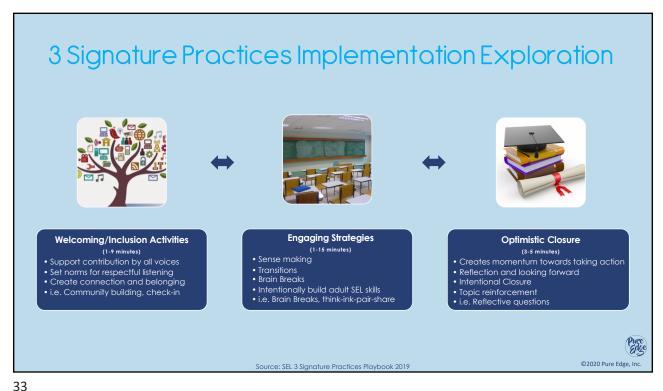


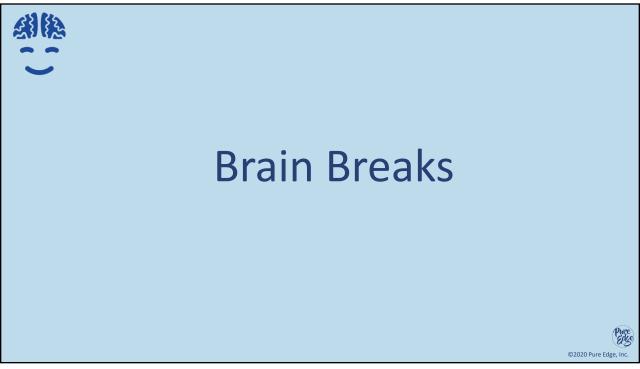
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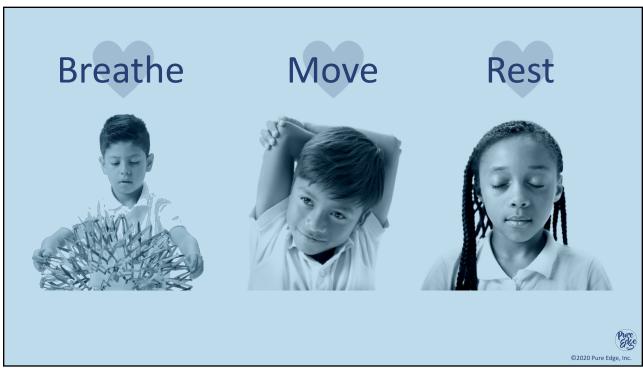
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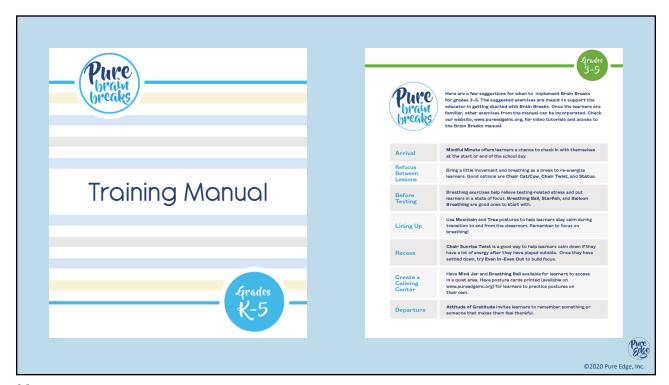
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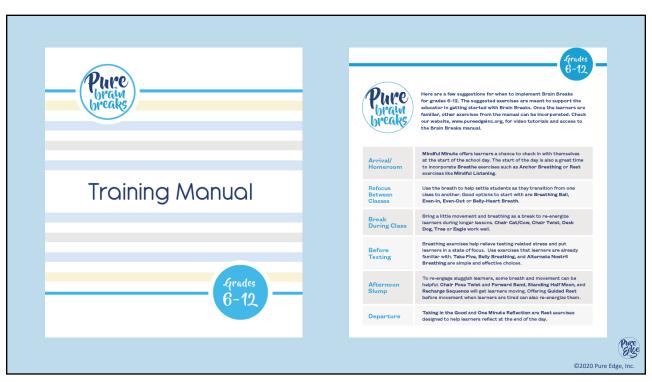
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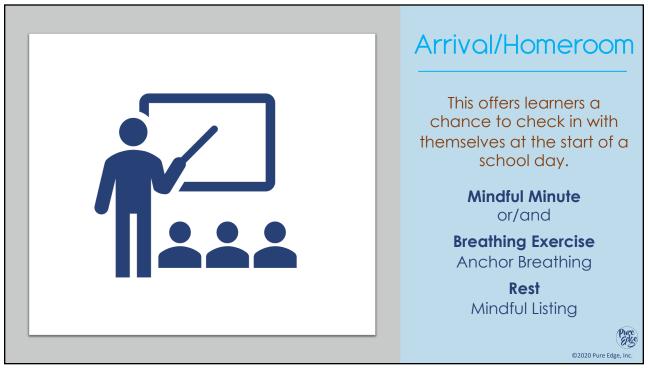














Refocus **Between Lessons**

Use the breath to help settle students as they transition from one class or lesson to another.

> Breathing Ball Even In - Even Out



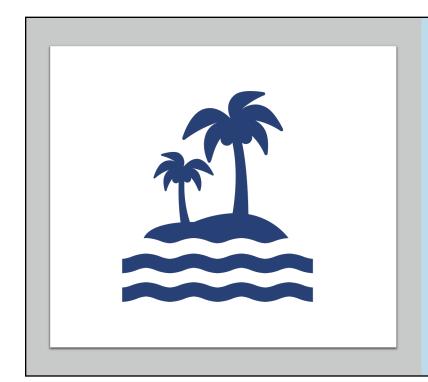


Break **During Class**

Doing a little movement and breathing as a break can re-energize learners.

> Chair Cat/Cow Chair Twist





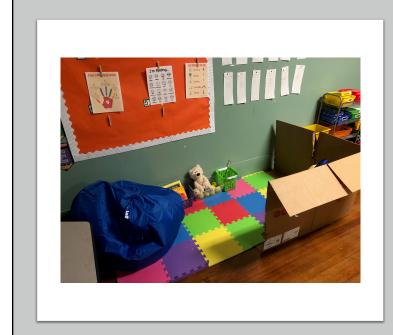
Afternoon Slump

To re-engage sluggish learners, some breath and movement exercises can be helpful

Recharge Sequence Mountain/Chair Strength Sequence



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Creating a Calming Center

Have a **Mind Jar** or a **Breathing Ball** available for learners to access in a quiet area.



http://safeschoolsnola.tulane.edu/safe-and-supportive-classrooms/calm-down-corners/clark/



Before Testing

Breathing exercises help relieve testing-related stress and puts learners in a state of focus.



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Departure

Rest is designed to help learners reflect at the end of the day.

Attitude of Gratitude
One Minute Reflection



When at School



- **Lining Up**: allows learners to stay calm during transition to/from the classroom.
- Recess: Nice way for learners to calm down if they still have a lot of energy after they have played outside.



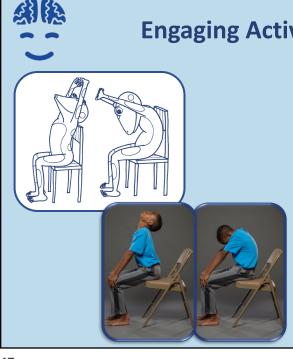
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Brain Breaks

Breathe (You Choose ©)





Engaging Activity: Chair Cat/Cow

- Sit in Seated Mountain with hands on knees.
- As you inhale, stretch your arms overhead and interlace fingers. Reach the center of your chest up toward the ceiling, and lift your chin so that you are looking at the ceiling. (Cow)
- As you exhale, in one movement bring your hands forward, round your spine and drop your chin toward your chest. (Cat)
- Repeat for several breaths: inhale, arms up, gaze lifts, chest up. Exhale round the spine, chin tucks, hands forward.
- Return to Seated Mountain.



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Engaging Activity: Guided Rest / Body Scan

- Turn your palms up to face the ceiling and close your eyes.
- 2. Put your attention on your forehead. Feel your forehead relax.
- 3. Put your attention on your eyes. Feel your eyes relax.
- Put your attention on your cheeks and jaw. Feel your cheeks and jaw relax.
- 5. Put your attention on your neck. Feel your neck relax.
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- Lie down on the floor on your back. Spread your feet apart. 10. Put your attention on your hips, Feel your hips relax. (Repeat for legs, knees, ankles, feet, toes.)
 - 11. Bring your awareness to your breathing and notice where you feel the breath in your body. Maybe you notice it in your nostrils. Maybe you feel it in your chest. Maybe you feel it in your belly.
 - 12. See if you can get really quiet. Maybe you will even feel your heart beating inside your body.
 - 13. Let learners rest in silence for a few moments.
 - 14. Ring chime.
 - 15. Slowly start to wiggle your fingers and toes. Take a deep breath in and stretch your arms overhead. As you exhale, relax.
 - 16. Open your eyes and slowly return to a seated position.
 - 17. Notice how you are feeling.





Optimistic Closure

Of the <u>7</u> ways mentioned to implement Brain Breaks, name <u>1</u> of the ways that you will start to use.

Please list this in the CHAT box





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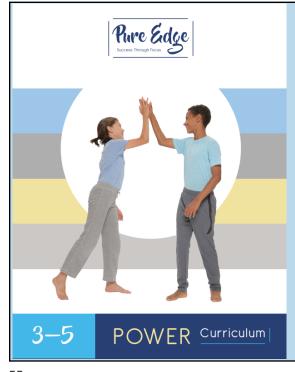
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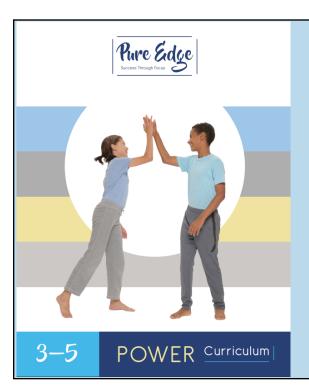


Pure Power Curriculum

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- Each lesson includes developmentally appropriate content related to the unit's super power
- Breathing exercises
- Movement
- Guided Rest
- Interactive activities
- Available in English & Spanish



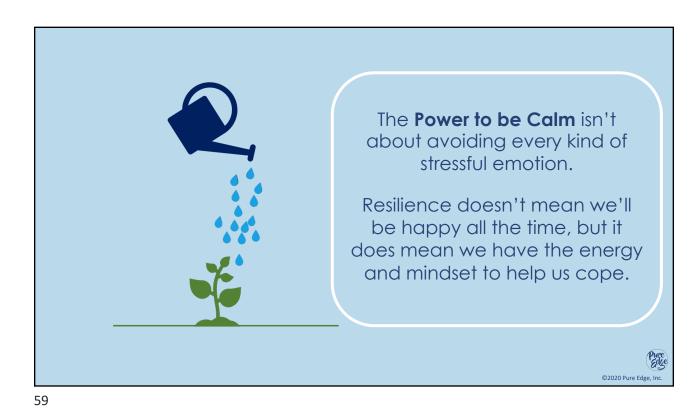


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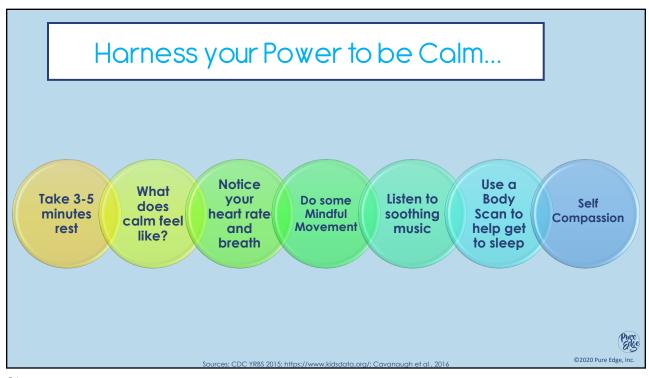
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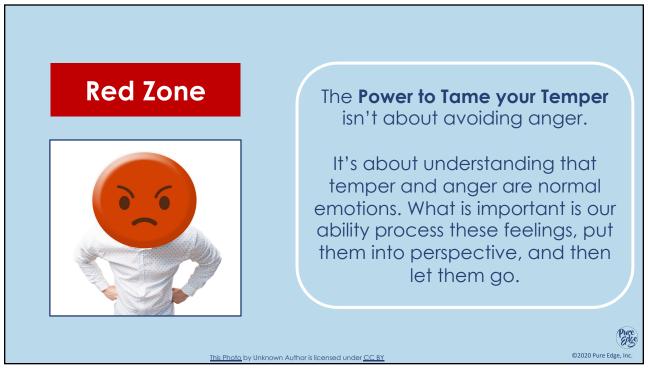
- ❖ Social & Emotional Learning
- Physical Education
- ❖ Health Education





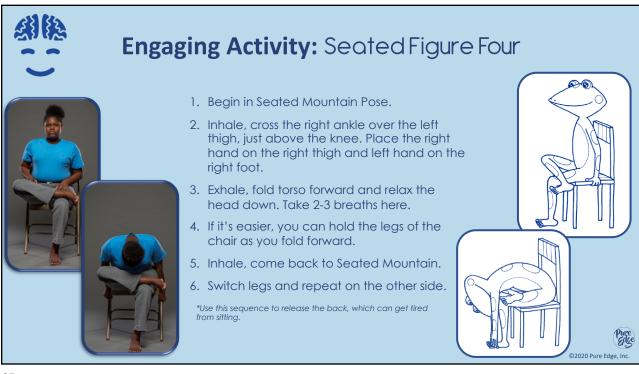




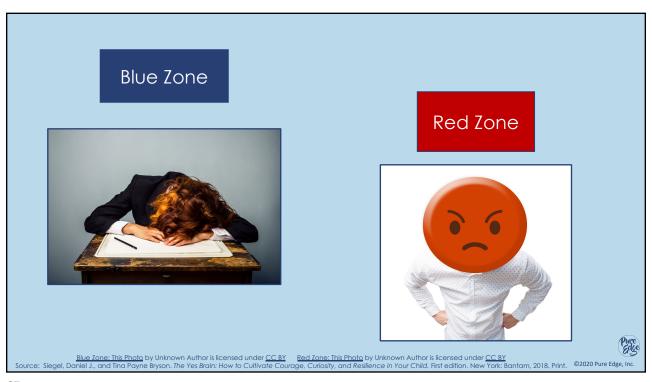








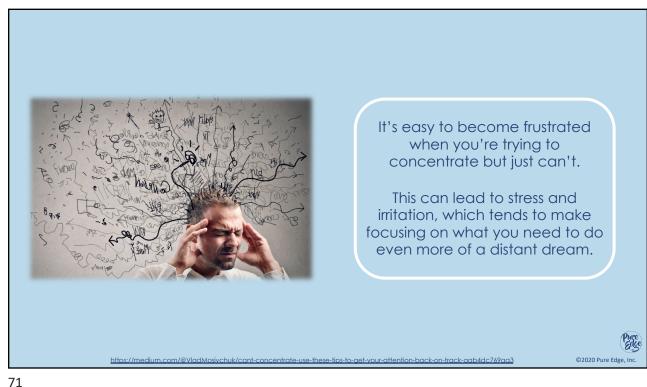












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How can taking a break from work or homework increase your concentration?

This idea might seem counterintuitive, but experts say it really works.

Consider this scenario: You've spent a few hours on the same project, and suddenly your attention starts to wander. Even though it's hard to keep your mind on the task, you stay at your desk, forcing yourself to keep going.





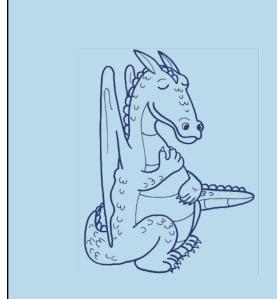
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Power to Laser Focus

When you return to work after a **Brain Break**, don't be surprised if you feel more focused, motivated, or even more creative. **Brain Breaks** can help boost these functions and more.

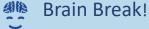


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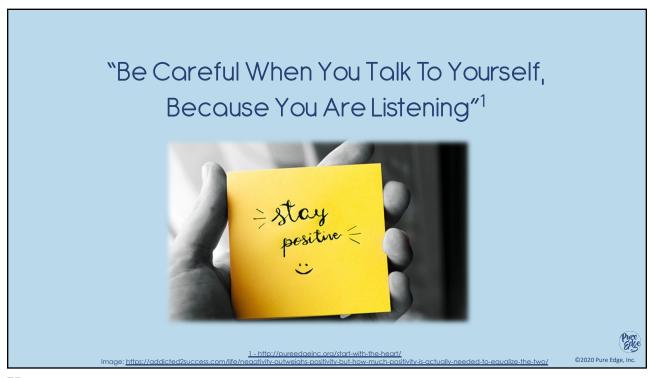
It is natural if your struggle to focus just makes you feel stressed and anxious about not completing your work on time.

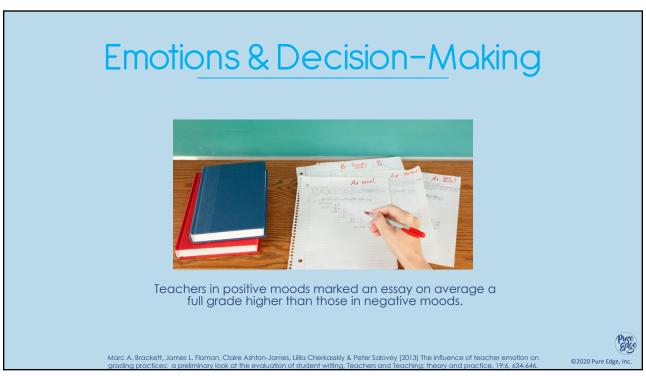
Next time this happens, when you first feel your concentration drop, take a



Refresh and recharge yourself. Think of your mind as a muscle.







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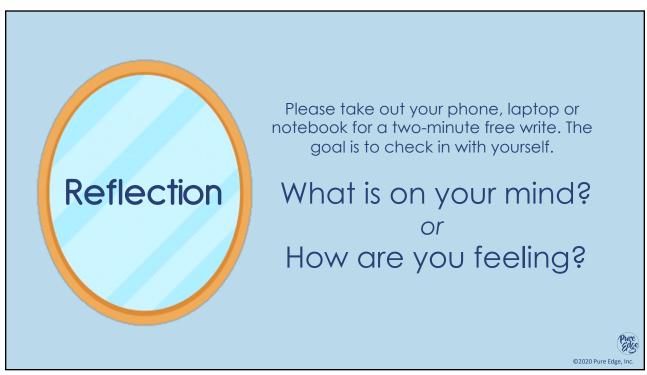
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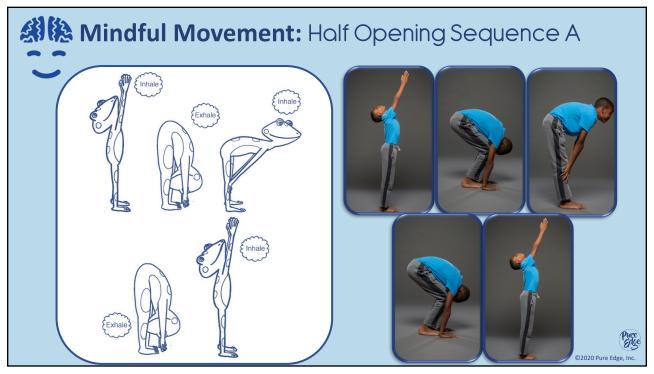
Movement Sequence

Mountain
Mountain/Sunrise x 2-3
Half Opening Sequence A x3
Star into Triangle
Surfer into wave
Stork
Sandwich*
Table or Slide
Seated Tree
Snail
Boat
Seated Mountain
Guided Rest



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Engaging Activity: Chair Pose

- 1. Stand in Mountain Pose with feet together.
- 2. Inhale and bend both knees. Reach arms overhead and look up at thumbs. Squeeze your knees together and feel your thigh muscles working.
- 3. Take 3-5 relaxed breaths.
- 4. If it is comfortable, you can press your palms together overhead.
- 5. Exhale, return to Mountain Pose.

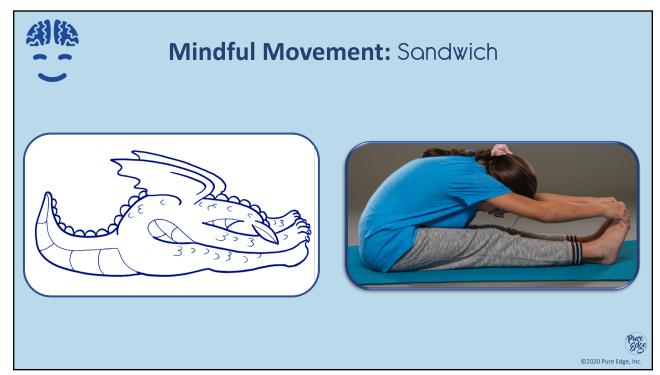
***Variation:** <u>Kanaaroo Pose:</u> Hands in front of body, elbows bent. Have learners take little hops, trying to land feet in same place. This will be VERY activating.

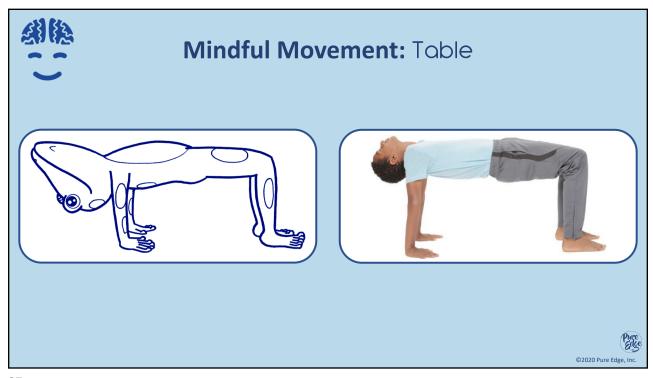


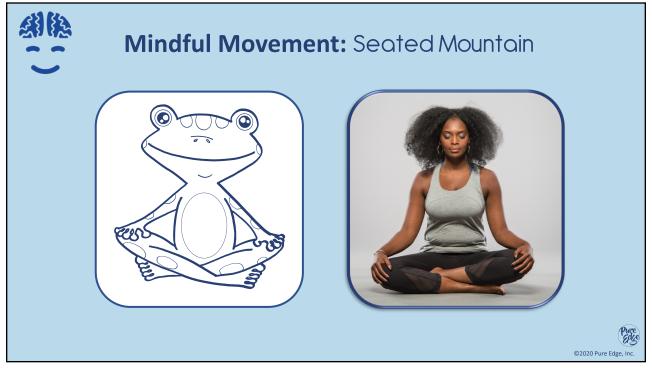


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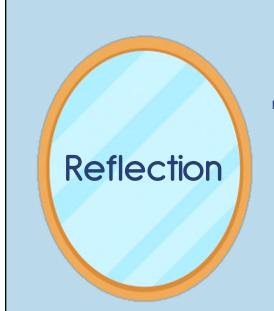
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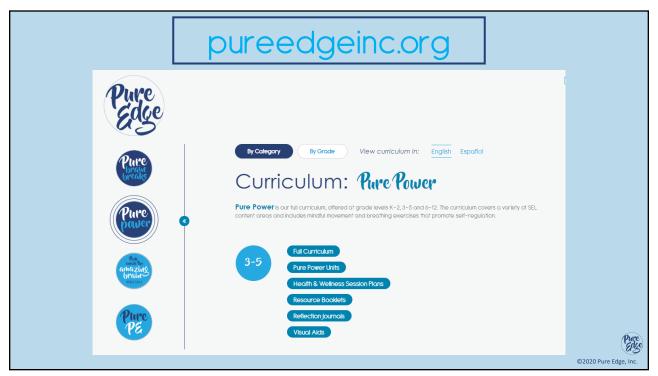


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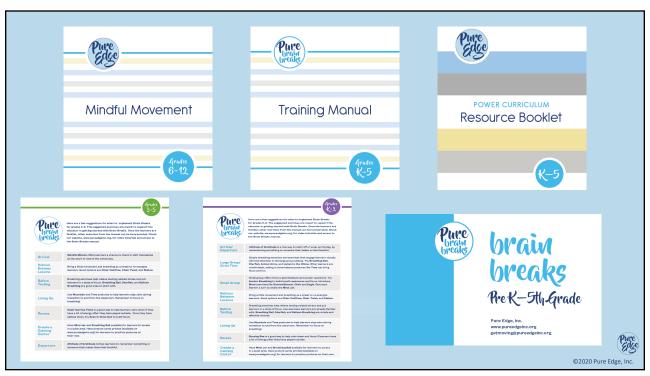
What is on your mind? How are you feeling?











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Awareness of Breath



- The goal of breathing exercises is to calm the body and strengthen our mindfulness muscle.
- When attention wanders, bring focus back to the breath.
- Over time, with consistent practice, attention will stray less frequently.
- Use nasal breathing unless otherwise instructed.



Awareness Through Rest



- Being still is a skill that requires practice some movement is okay.
- Cooked vs. uncooked spaghetti.
- Shakeout body parts; tighten and release muscles.
- You can do Guided Rest lying down or seated if space is an issue.

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Awareness of Movement



- Training ourselves to notice the physical sensations in our bodies.
- Help learners begin to understand that the mind affects how the body feels, and the body affects how the mind feels.
- When practicing/teaching postures, always move with the breath.



Notes on Virtual Delivery

- Start small: open/close online learning sessions with a Brain Break.
- Consistency & routines.
- Split lessons into smaller sections.
- Explore read aloud books.
- Check out the "Home Practice" section in each lesson for ideas for short, simple exercises to share.



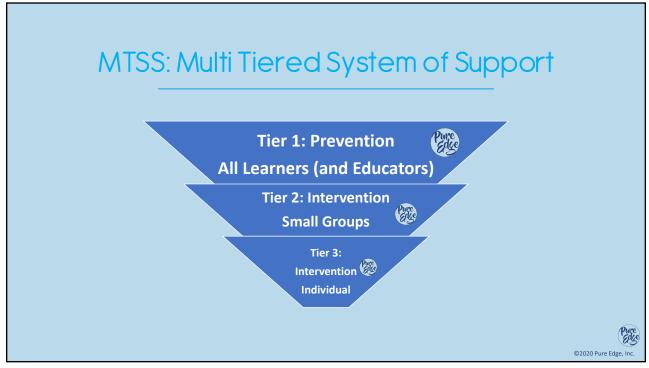
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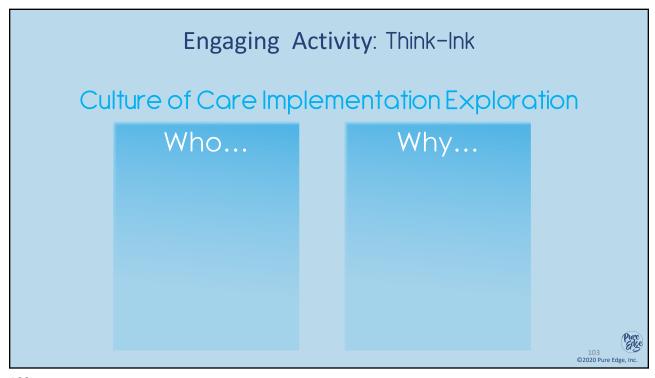
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- Part 7 Building belonging: Emotion & Cognition and Brain Break Implementation
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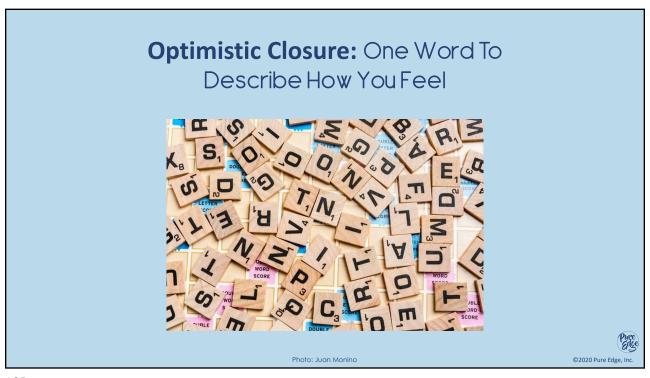


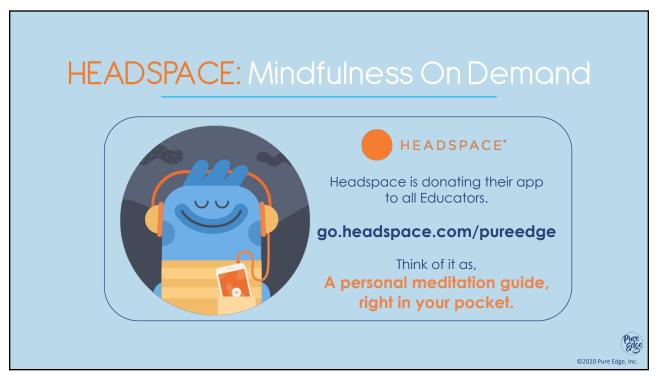
















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