



the hoffman essentials  
*two-day* workshop

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*When you're serious about change*

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Welcome to  
Day one

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## Feelings

### Accepting

Calm  
Centred  
Content  
Fulfilled  
Patient  
Peaceful  
Present  
Relaxed  
Serene  
Trusting

### Joyful

Amazed  
Blissful  
Delighted  
Eager  
Ecstatic  
Enchanted  
Energised  
Engaged  
Enthusiastic  
Excited  
Free  
Happy  
Inspired  
Invigorated  
Lively  
Passionate  
Playful  
Radiant  
Refreshed  
Rejuvenated  
Renewed  
Satisfied  
Thrilled  
Vibrant

### Angry

Annoyed  
Agitated  
Aggravated  
Bitter  
Cynical  
Disdainful  
Disgruntled  
Edgy  
Exasperated  
Frustrated  
Furious  
Grouchy  
Hostile  
Impatient  
Irritated  
Irate  
Martyrish  
Moody  
On edge  
Outraged  
Resentful  
Stressed  
Upset  
Vindictive

### Courageous

Adventurous  
Brave  
Capable  
Confident  
Daring  
Determined  
Free  
Grounded  
Proud  
Strong  
Worthy  
Valiant

### Connected

Accepting  
Affectionate  
Caring  
Compassionate  
Curious  
Empathic  
Engaged  
Exploring  
Fascinated  
Fulfilled  
Interested  
Intrigued  
Involved  
Loving  
Present  
Safe  
Stimulated  
Warm  
Worthy

### Sad

Anguished  
Depressed  
Despairing  
Despondent  
Disappointed  
Discouraged  
Forlorn  
Gloomy  
Grieving  
Heartbroken  
Hopeless  
Lonely  
Longing  
Melancholy  
Rejected  
Sorrowful  
Teary  
Unhappy  
Upset  
Weary

### Disconnected

Aloof  
Bored  
Confused  
Distant  
Empty  
Indifferent  
Isolated  
Lethargic  
Listless  
Numb  
Removed  
Resistant  
Shut down  
Uneasy  
Withdrawn

### Shame

Ashamed  
Embarrassed  
Humiliated  
Inhibited  
Mortified  
Self-conscious  
Useless  
Weak  
Worthless

### Fear

Afraid  
Anxious  
Apprehensive  
Frightened  
Hesitant  
Nervous  
Panicked  
Paralysed  
Scared  
Terrified  
Worried

### Fragile

Helpless  
Sensitive

### Grateful

Appreciative  
Blessed  
Delighted  
Fortunate  
Humbled  
Lucky  
Moved  
Thankful  
Touched

### Hopeful

Encouraged  
Expectant  
Optimistic  
Trusting

### Powerless

Impotent  
Incapable  
Resigned  
Trapped  
Victim

### Tender

Caring  
Loving  
Reflective  
Self-loving  
Vulnerable  
Warm

### Guilty

Regretful  
Remorseful  
Sorry

### Stressed

Anxious  
Burned out  
Cranky  
Depleted  
Disconnected  
Edgy  
Exhausted  
Frazzled  
Overwhelmed  
Rattled  
Rejecting  
Restless  
Shaken  
Tense  
Tight  
Worn out

### Unsettled

Apprehensive  
Concerned  
Dissatisfied  
Disturbed  
Doubtful  
Hesitant  
Inhibited  
Perplexed  
Questioning  
Reluctant  
Shocked  
Skeptical  
Suspicious  
Ungrounded  
Unsure  
Worried

## Body sensations

Achy

Airy

Blocked

Breathless

Bruised

Burning

Buzzy

Clammy

Clenched

Cold

Constricted

Contained

Contracted

Dizzy

Drained

Dull

Electric

Empty

Expanded

Flowing

Fluid

Fluttery

Frozen

Full

Gentle

Hard

Heavy

Hollow

Hot

Icy

Itchy

Jumpy

Knotted

Light

Loose

Nauseous

Numb

Painful

Pounding

Prickly

Pulsing

Queasy

Radiating

Relaxed

Releasing

Rigid

Sensitive

Settled

Shaky

Shivery

Slow

Smooth

Soft

Sore

Spacey

Spacious

Sparkly

Stiff

Still

Suffocated

Sweaty

Tender

Tense

Throbbing

Tight

Tingling

Trembly

Twitchy

Vibrating

Warm

Wobbly

Wooden



## My introduction to the group

What I am feeling:

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What inspired me to participate in the Hoffman Essentials:

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My intention(s) for this weekend:

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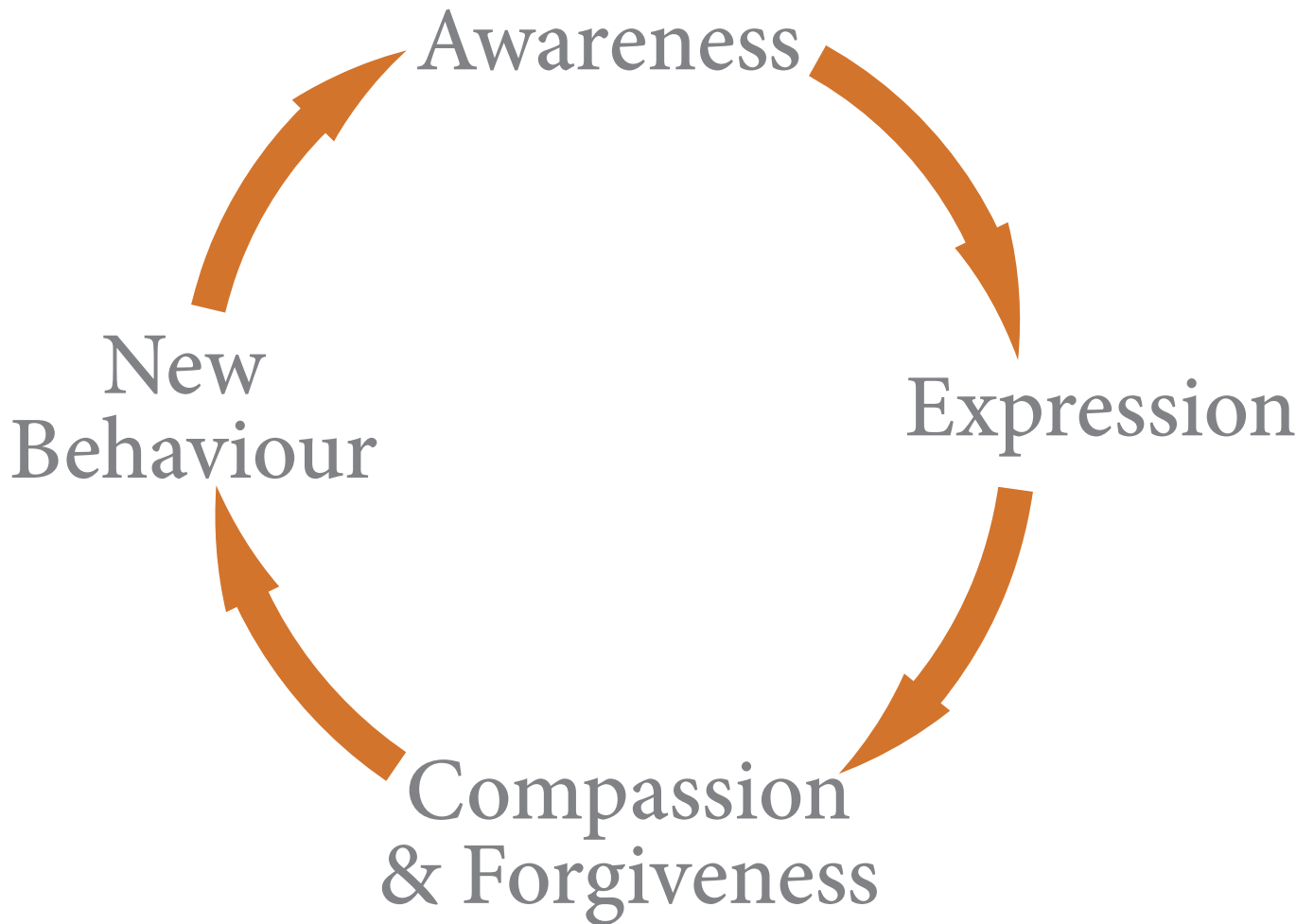
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## The Cycle of Transformation



## Four steps to change

### Awareness

Awareness gets us started on our journey of exploration. Allow this awareness to come with a gentle honesty. We can be aware of what we are grateful for, and what brings us joy, and we can also be aware of what is not working well for us. It is an awareness that is objective, yet without judgement or blame. It may be helpful to ask a trusted friend how they experience us. The main question we ask at this stage is: 'What am I doing that gets in the way of my serenity, truth and authenticity?'

### Expression

Expression is the next step. To discharge any self-destructive patterns of behaviour, such as resentment or feelings of failure, we need to let out the excess energy holding them in. Sharing our challenges in a safe space is a tool of expression. Other examples are journaling, singing loudly in the shower, jogging it out of our systems or beating a cushion. We can dance, stomp, yell, even laugh it out. The important part is not to let the energy, which is usually an old, blocked emotion, stay and drag us down. Find a clear and appropriate way of expressing it. The question at this stage is, 'What do I need to do to loosen up the energy behind this feeling or reaction?'

### Forgiveness & Compassion

We all make mistakes in our lives, and we know that others make them as well. To take charge of our own lives, we need to lovingly forgive ourselves for the mistakes of the past, and to forgive others their mistakes. Especially if we feel hurt by someone, or in turn have hurt someone, we need to take a radical look at letting go and forgiving so that we can wipe the slate clean and move on. For this we may have to let go of being right and move into our higher, or spiritual self. If appropriate, give and receive forgiveness in person.

### New Behaviour

Finally, and providing the proof of change, is New Behaviour. What new practices can we put into effect that can bring greater happiness? The learning becomes effective in the doing. Every day, you can see that there are new, positive ways of behaving to replace any old reactions. A myriad of possibilities exist such as making a gratitude list, dancing, meditating, music and art, being in nature, and of course, sharing your love and happiness with others. Step from the past into a whole new world of possibilities, seizing life and the adventure it provides.

## Family Roles

Read through the following list of family roles and ask yourself: 'Which were the roles that I needed to play in order to get attention (Negative and/or Positive) from my parents?'

Then tick the five main roles you adopted in your family

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Goody-goody        | <input type="checkbox"/> The Critical One | <input type="checkbox"/> Policeman         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Never Good Enough  | <input type="checkbox"/> Mummy's Girl/Boy | <input type="checkbox"/> Champion          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Victim             | <input type="checkbox"/> Seducer          | <input type="checkbox"/> Protector         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prince             | <input type="checkbox"/> The Sick One     | <input type="checkbox"/> Genius            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Princess           | <input type="checkbox"/> The Baby         | <input type="checkbox"/> The Crazy One     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hero               | <input type="checkbox"/> Control Freak    | <input type="checkbox"/> The Boring One    |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> The Trusted One    | <input type="checkbox"/> Peacemaker       | <input type="checkbox"/> Irresponsible One |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Worrier            | <input type="checkbox"/> Arbitrator       | <input type="checkbox"/> Wild One          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nuisance           | <input type="checkbox"/> The Best One     | <input type="checkbox"/> Mediator          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black Sheep        | <input type="checkbox"/> The Special One  | <input type="checkbox"/> Needy             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adventurer         | <input type="checkbox"/> Own Worst Enemy  | <input type="checkbox"/> Complainer        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Failure            | <input type="checkbox"/> Slob             | <input type="checkbox"/> Lawmaker          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Perfect One        | <input type="checkbox"/> Clown            | <input type="checkbox"/> The Angry One     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Fighter        | <input type="checkbox"/> Star             | <input type="checkbox"/> The Calm One      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Quiet One      | <input type="checkbox"/> The Right One    | <input type="checkbox"/> Everyone's Enemy  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Cheeky One     | <input type="checkbox"/> Heartbreaker     | <input type="checkbox"/> Helper            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Fixer          | <input type="checkbox"/> Musician         | <input type="checkbox"/> Burden            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drama Queen        | <input type="checkbox"/> The Lazy One     | <input type="checkbox"/> Saviour           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Strong One     | <input type="checkbox"/> Leader           | <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rebel              | <input type="checkbox"/> The Bad One      | <input type="checkbox"/> Success           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> No-One's Friend    | <input type="checkbox"/> Protector        | <input type="checkbox"/> Careful One       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Frightened One | <input type="checkbox"/> Mysterious One   | <input type="checkbox"/> Celebrity         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Clever One     | <input type="checkbox"/> Rescuer          | <input type="checkbox"/> Odd One Out       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Troublemaker   | <input type="checkbox"/> Disappointment   | <input type="checkbox"/> Big One           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Happy One      | <input type="checkbox"/> The Tidy One     | <input type="checkbox"/> Spoilt One        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Caretaker          | <input type="checkbox"/> The Wrong One    | <input type="checkbox"/> Different One     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Invisible          | <input type="checkbox"/> Achiever         | <input type="checkbox"/> Patient One       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Snob               | <input type="checkbox"/> Lucky One        | <input type="checkbox"/> Tragic One        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainer        | <input type="checkbox"/> Teacher          | <input type="checkbox"/> Loner             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Weird One          | <input type="checkbox"/> Cheat            | <input type="checkbox"/> Father's Friend   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Stupid One     | <input type="checkbox"/> Loser            | <input type="checkbox"/> Mother's Friend   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Lonely One     | <input type="checkbox"/> Boss             | <input type="checkbox"/> Pet               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Confident One  | <input type="checkbox"/> Heir             | <input type="checkbox"/> Surrogate Mum/Dad |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Dreamer        | <input type="checkbox"/> Scapegoat        |  |
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## What is a Pattern?

- LEARNED • COMPULSIVE • AUTOMATIC • REACTIVE
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### WAY OF BEING

Closed, withdrawn, nice

### WAY OF ACTING

Criticising, interrupting

### BELIEFS AND ADMONITIONS

'There's not enough to go around'

'Be quiet!'

### COMPULSIVE FEELING STATES OR MOODS

Resentful, numb, alone, anxious

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## How Patterns live in us

### ADOPTION

Do it to myself

Do it to others

Attract others who do this

Set up others to do it to me

### REACTION

I compensate or protect myself and create a reactive pattern

### REBELLION

I rebel to be different from...

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## Family Roles and Patterns

The roles I took on in my family as a child and how they're in my life today

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Major patterns, who I learned them from, and how they affect me emotionally, intellectually, and physically:

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The impact these patterns have on the other people in my life:

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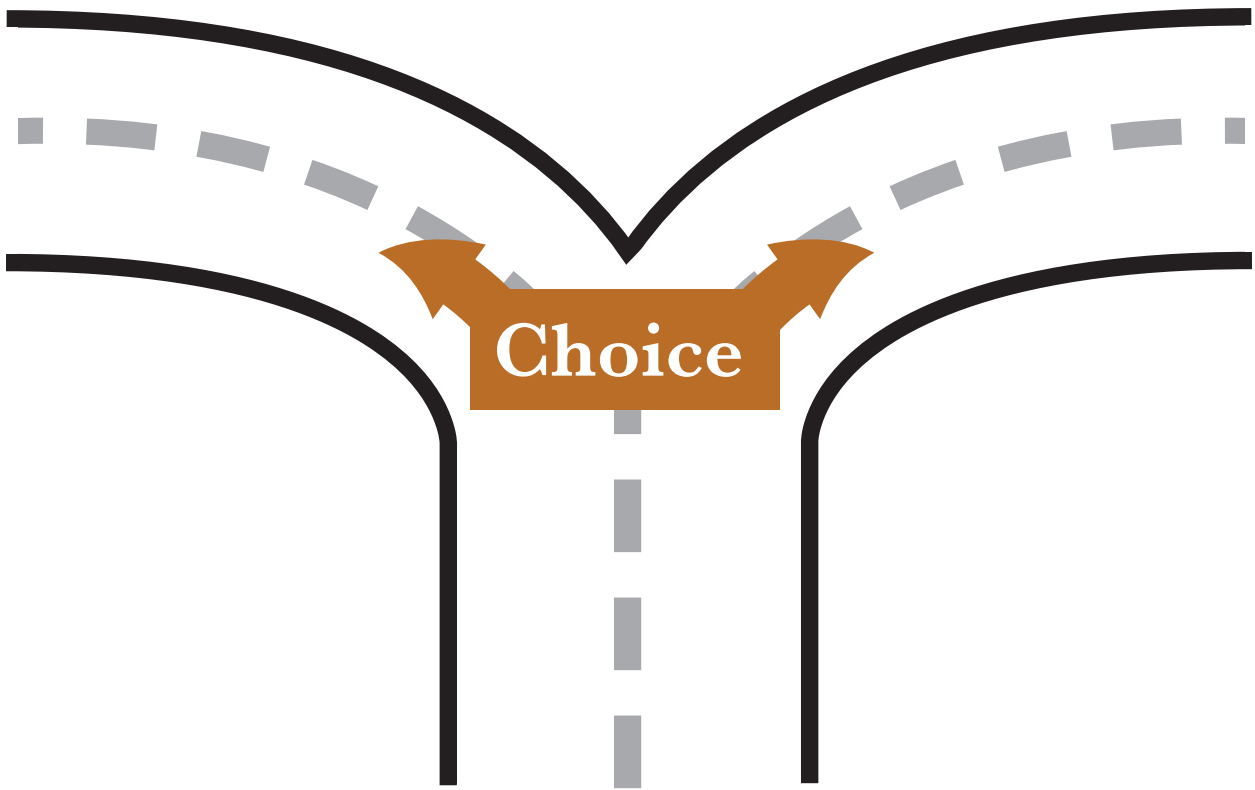
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## Identifying Patterns

	<b>PATTERN</b>	<b>PARENT(S)</b>
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## Left Road / Right Road





## The Quadrinity: Four aspects of self

The Quadrinity is a framework, a model for understanding ourselves and our behaviour as human beings. It includes all four aspects of self: Body, Emotions, Intellect and Spirit. These four aspects interact and form a complex interrelated system. They can be experienced individually or jointly in various combinations.

### Physical Self

The Body is the physical home of the non-physical aspects of self and connects them to the world. It carries our genes. It is made of the elements of the physical universe so is subject to its laws. It provides sensory information. The Body expresses thoughts of Intellect, feelings of the Emotional Self & essence of the Spiritual Self.

#### UNPROGRAMMED QUALITIES

Mobility & flexibility  
Expressiveness  
Learns and remembers  
Sends messages  
Senses, pleasure, pain  
Sexuality/sensuality

#### NEGATIVE PATTERNS

Rigidity  
Numbing out  
Repressed conflicts  
Chronic pains  
Illness  
Tension/anxiety  
Hyperactive/fatigue

### Intellectual Self

The Intellect is our logical, rational, problem-solving thought-processor. It holds what and how we think, our values and beliefs. It tries to make sense of our feelings and experiences. Shoulds, shouldn'ts, do's, don'ts, can'ts, etc. come from our intellect and can be positive or negative. They are negative when they are programmed and compulsive.

#### UNPROGRAMMED QUALITIES

Rational  
Understanding  
Knowledgeable  
Logical  
Evaluating  
Strives for excellence  
Inventive

#### NEGATIVE PATTERNS

Critical  
Admonishing  
Know it all  
Argumentative  
Judgmental  
Perfectionist  
Defensive/controlling

### Emotional Self

The Emotional Self is our feeling aspect. It provides information about our internal and external world and expresses feelings through our body. It has no sense of time or space and can regress in age. It is where Negative Love patterns first developed. The negative Emotional Self remains a child as it was not unconditionally loved and validated.

#### UNPROGRAMMED QUALITIES

Curious  
Joyful/playful  
Spontaneous  
Loving/nurturing  
Appreciative  
Grief/sadness  
Open/grateful

#### NEGATIVE PATTERNS

Rebellious/fearful  
Withdrawn/stubborn  
Ashamed/guilty  
Anxious/paranoid  
Defensive/resentful  
Unloving/unworthy  
Depression

### Spiritual Self

The Spiritual Self is our essence at the core of our being – the pure, perfect, totally positive, unprogrammed aspect of self that is connected to and resonates in harmony with the universe. It knows and strives for truth, justice and wholeness. It is in the present and eternal.

#### QUALITIES

Unconditionally and always loving  
Wise, compassionate and totally ethical  
Creative, intuitive grounded and centred  
Strong, confident and responsive  
Courageous and intentional  
Peaceful, serene and patient  
Self-reflective/impartial observer



## Quadrinity Check-In

Describe your Intellect:

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What was your Intellect thinking:

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Describe your Emotional Self as a Child:

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How old is your Emotional Child: \_\_\_\_\_

What was your Emotional Child feeling?

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What sensations did you experience in your Body?

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Describe your Spiritual Self, including its qualities and appearance:

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What was your Spiritual Self's message?









## Evening Instructions

- Take some time before you go to bed to reflect on and to journal your experiences of the day and what you've learned on page 19.
- You may want to express yourself drawing in colour... Optional!
- Notice three qualities you appreciate in yourself and three things you're grateful for in your life, and write them here:

### Appreciation

Write down three things you love, admire and respect about yourself

1

2

3

### Gratitude

Now write down three things you are grateful for in your life

1

2

3

- Please don't look ahead to tomorrow's pages.
- Take it easy this evening and get into bed at a 'good time.' Tomorrow is another full day.
- The 'Creating a Supportive Environment' instructions you were sent includes links to three guided audio meditations on our website which you might find it useful to listen to this evening.
- See you in the morning from 9.15, ready for a 9.30 start.



*Good night!*



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Welcome to  
Day two

## Day Two: Quadrinity Check-In

### Emotional Self

How I'm feeling

What my Emotional Self needs:

### Intellect

What I'm thinking

What my Intellect needs:

### Body

Feelings and Sensations

What my Body needs:

### Spiritual Self

I am

Message from my Spiritual Self:

Relationship between Intellect and Emotional Self

## Quadrinity Check-in

Find a place where you can be uninterrupted for a few minutes. Use the rhythm of your breathing to bring consciousness into your body. Allow yourself to settle. Then check in with the four aspects of yourself, allowing a little time with each to observe what they may need.

### Body

- Notice your posture as you breathe.
- The body senses, so notice your own physical sensations and your energy levels. Are you relaxed, or are there any areas of tension? Scan your body from top to toe to find out.
- Then ask your body what it wants or needs, and be open to anything you may experience.

### Emotional self

- Notice how old your Emotional Self feels.
- Ask you Emotional Self feels, what you are feeling in this moment. You may well experience a whole range of feelings, some of which may seem contradictory, such as feeling curious and sad, or hopeful and anxious.
- Then ask your Emotional Self what it wants or needs, and be open to its response.

### Intellect

- The Intellect thinks, so ask yourself what you are thinking in this moment. Often there are a number of different thoughts. Notice the quality of the thoughts – are they peaceful and serene, or is your Intellect chattering? Let the thoughts pass through like clouds in the sky, simply observing them.
- Then ask your Intellect what it wants or needs and be curious to anything it may communicate.

### Spiritual self

- Your Spiritual Self, or your Higher or Essential Self is the source of your love, wisdom, peace and vision. Feel this in your heart centre and breathe into it. Meditate for a few moments, bringing more consciousness to this still centre and the quiet voice of intuition that lives there.
- Ask your Spiritual Self what message of support it has for you in this moment. You can make the request general or focused on a specific issue in your life.

Experience and express your gratitude for all aspects of your being.

For best results, repeat daily!





## Transference Worksheet

I had a negative reaction to you \_\_\_\_\_

Day/time and location

\_\_\_\_\_ *when and where only*

I experienced you as

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ *my perceptions, judgments, and quotations*

Like my

\_\_\_\_\_ *mother/father/surrogate*

The patterns I went into were

\_\_\_\_\_

which I learned from my

\_\_\_\_\_ *mother/father/surrogate*

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## Understanding for your parents

How did you experience speaking with your Mother as a 6 year old girl ?

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How did you feel towards your Mother, when as a 6 year old, she said goodbye and walked away ?

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Putting your attention on how your Mother behaved in **your** childhood, how do you feel towards her now having spoken to her as a 6 year old girl ?

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How did you experience speaking with your Father as a 6 year old boy ?

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How did you feel towards your Father, when as a 6 year old, he said goodbye and walked away ?

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Putting your attention on how your Father behaved in **your** childhood, how do you feel towards him now having spoken to him as a 6 year old boy ?

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# Thank you!

Thank you for taking part in The Hoffman Essentials. We hope you found it to be a rewarding experience and that you have gained some insights and practical tools to take away with you.

We look forward to welcoming you at future Hoffman workshops and events.

You'll find lots more information about these, and the Hoffman Process on our website: **hoffmaninstitute.co.uk** or you're welcome to sign up to our e-newsletter for details.

A reminder that you're welcome to download the audio files from our website that you've used during The Essentials, including a version of the Quad Check practice that you learned this weekend and may like to continue.

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