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This program is for you:

IF . . .

- You are a Coach, Counselor, or Consultant
- You are looking to add "Emotional Literacy" to your professional and personal toolbox
- You see the value in becoming more emotionally literate

OR PERHAPS . . .

- You're seeking a personal reinvention.
- Your peers are making choices you feel you can never choose. To do so would be giving up/selling out.
- You're looking for a way to break free and stay true to who you truly are.

12 LIFE CHANGING MODULES

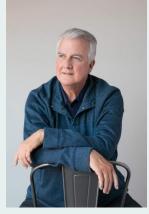
Click the icon below to watch Dr. Pat's short video



Dr. Pat Transformational Living.mp4

How do I get certified?

Complete the Emotional Literacy Academy online courses and the short examination. The "Emotional Literacy Academy" was formerly known as "Conscious Living Mastery" but has been updated for the new certification. You can find the courses here.



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Why should I get the **Emotional Literacy Academy Certification?**

- 1. Help your clients learn how to appropriately incorporate and communicate their emotions with the right people at the right time.
- 2. Receive certification to list on your website or social profiles.
- 3. Listing as a certified Emotional Literacy Academy Professional.
- 4. Referrals for individuals looking for an Emotional Literacy coach or consultant.
- 5. Access to the Emotional Literacy Academy community.
- 6. Office hours with Dr. Patrick Williams, if you get "stuck".



Still Interested in Your Compelling Stories!

In the near future, I am planning to publish a new book called *GULLIBLES TRAVELS*. (If you're under 40, chances are you may have never read or even heard of the book, *Gulliver's Travels* by Jonathan Swift).



Therefore, my 'play on words" needs **your** stories about times when you were gullible, duped, conned, cheated, fell for a fake promise, etc.

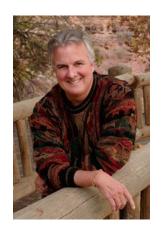
Your stories can be about relationships, sales traps, timeshares, politics, and more. If you prefer to NOT list your name with the story, you can use two initials or 'anonymous". Below are a few simple guidelines I'd like to offer:

- a) 1 2 pages in length
- b) Incident
- c) What happened
- d) Outcome or learning
- e) No definite timeline; the sooner you can get us your story, the better



Thank you for your consideration!

I look forward to reading **your** story soon!



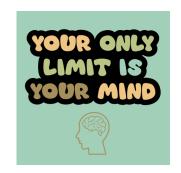




7 WAYS TO 'GET OUT OF YOUR MIND' WHEN LIFE IS STRESSING YOU OUT

Have you ever felt like you were going out of your mind? Stressful days all piling up on you until your brain's spinning and your head feels like it might explode?

Whenever we hear the phrase "going out of your mind," we instantly think of it in this negative sense: feeling crazy, overwhelmed or out of control. But being "out of your mind" can actually help you face challenges and feel



happier in hard situations if you approach it deliberately.

Current research studies show the benefits of "mindfulness" meditation as developed by Joh Kabat-Zinn and others. However, I find the term "mindfulness" a bit misleading, don't you? Because what we're really craving is emptying our mind and learning how to manage stress, not making it more mind-full.

So, let's explore the idea of going out of your mind... on purpose.

Modern positive psychology research reveals the importance of positive thoughts, nurturing attitudes of gratitude, and how our beliefs create much of our experience. Those benefits prove themselves out further in multiple studies that show meditation actually changes your brain in positive ways. Focused relaxation (or "purposeful pausing") during your busy and distracting everyday demands can truly improve your life.

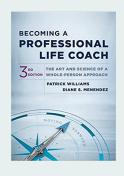
But, as you know, change and challenge can strike at any moment. If you make a practice of getting out of your mind and into your heart, you'll be ready for those out-of-the-blue moments when they come, prepared to respond rather than react and see multiple choices of action rather than just one.

Science has now proven that our heart has an energy and cellular wisdom that, when nurtured, helps us live life more fully and gracefully. So learn how to manage stress by deliberately getting out of your mind and into your heart as regularly as you would any other physical exercise.

You are a body-mind-heart-soul being, but we tend to spend most of our time (and worry) focused on the body-mind aspects, neglecting the heart and soul that also require attention.

The good news is you don't have to sit quietly under a sacred tree or alone on a mountaintop to reap the benefits of this process. You can do it in 5-10 minute increments throughout your day, in a private place you designate.

Here are seven ways to get "out of your mind"... in a good way. Each of these easy activities will inoculate you against unexpected stress and help you feel good even when life gets overwhelming:



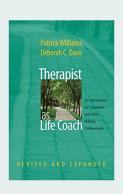
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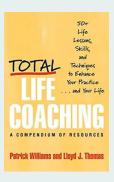
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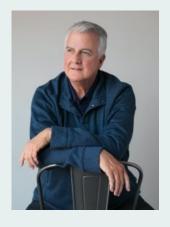
Full of new information on neuropsychology coaching, this new edition explores the neuropsycholobehind coaching; specialties in the field, such as trauma and addiction coaching; coaching amid post -pandemic global stress; coaching virtually; navigating emotions in coaching; and achieving transformational coaching by addressing the whole person. It takes readers step-by-step through the coaching process, covering all the crucial ideas strategies for being an successful life effective, coach

This book is one-stop shopping for beginner and advanced coaches alike.









7 WAYS TO 'GET OUT OF YOUR MIND' WHEN LIFE IS STRESSING YOU OUT (CONT.)

1. Take "purposeful pauses" throughout the day.

Use your calendar to schedule "me time" and have a place to go in your home or outdoors where you can enjoy a minimum of five minutes of quiet stillness, reading, listening to music, or meditating in some way. Those little breaks will help you feel focused and charged the rest of the day.

2. Learn to see everyday things in new ways.

An easy way to practice this is to look at a raisin and really contemplate it. Notice its color, its shape, its texture, its wrinkles and other nuances of its makeup. This is a practice of mindfulness taught in the biggest name schools today such as Harvard, Duke, Columbia, and John Hopkins.

3. Remember the magic of simply breathing.

Breath is the elixir of life. We hold our breath when we feel anxious or scared. We increase our breathing when we feel nervous or stressed. Yet, if you become conscious of your breath as a daily and frequent practice, you will notice a carry over effect of calmness and readiness when stress pops up, allowing you to shift your breathing when stress occurs.

4. Schedule extreme self-care.

Take a walk on the beach, or in woods, or by water. Get a massage or pedicure. Anything that feels like a special treat for YOU, make time for it. You deserve this time to relax your mind after all you do for others.

5. Find a tribe.

Join or create a group of like-minded people who are also on a path of "going out of their mind" on purpose. This could be a book club, art exchange, poetry reading, spiritual practice workshop, or just plain sharing of needs with other caring souls.

6. Write your thoughts down often.

Use a journal (or write on your computer) to dump what's on your mind out so you can better see your thoughts, hopes and dreams. Who knows? Some beautiful things might surface in your writing that could help others. Or, you can keep these writings as your private narrative. Either way, this is an important outlet for freeing what's stuck in your mind.

7. Get moving.

Take a yoga class. Play tennis, ride bikes (or horses), dance, run, walk, or engage in any other form of physical activity. Often, the process of moving our bodies frees up space in our mind. So, do something for your body today.

Until next time

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