

The 5-Day Job Search by Annie Margarita Yang

# Emotional Mastery: Transforming Your Thought Process To Achieve Results

# Step 1: Define the Neutral Circumstance

Begin by defining the circumstances around your job search. Remember that circumstances are neutral and factual, everyone would agree on them. Examples include "I am currently unemployed" or "I have a job interview in four days." Jot down your circumstances.

# Step 2: Identify Your Current Thoughts

Separate your thoughts about these circumstances from the circumstances themselves. These could be thoughts like, "I'm not good enough for that role" or "They probably won't even consider me". Remember, these are not facts, but your personal interpretations of the circumstances. Write these thoughts down.

#### Step 3: Understand Your Feelings

With your thoughts identified, take a moment to understand the emotions they are causing. Are you feeling anxious? Defeated? Scared? Connect with your emotions and write them down next to the corresponding thoughts.

#### Step 4: Realize Your Actions

Reflect on what actions these feelings lead you to. Does the anxiety cause procrastination? Does feeling defeated make you avoid networking? Write down the actions that you take as a result of these thoughts and feelings.

#### Step 5: Recognize Your Results

Consider the outcomes of your actions. Are you not getting interviews? Are you not receiving job offers? These are your results. Write them down.

# Step 6: Formulate Empowering Thoughts

Now, shift your perspective. For each negative thought you've identified, create a positive, empowering counterpart. For example, instead of "I'm not good enough for that role", you might write "I have unique skills and experiences that make me a strong candidate for this role".



# Step 7: Channel Positive Emotions

Refer back to your list of emotions. This time, identify positive feelings that resonate with your empowering thoughts. Write down these positive emotions next to their corresponding new thoughts.

#### Step 8: Envision Constructive Actions

With a positive mindset and emotions, what actions would you take? Perhaps you'd feel encouraged to apply to more jobs, or to network more? Write down these new actions that you would take.

#### Step 9: Project Successful Outcomes

Finally, imagine the outcomes that these new actions could lead to. More interviews? More job offers? A satisfying career? Visualize and write down these new results.

Remember, this is a continuous process that evolves with your circumstances. You can return to this exercise anytime you feel your mindset needs adjustment. The goal is to harness the power of your thoughts and emotions to drive successful actions and outcomes in your job search. Best of luck!



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