

STILLNESS TO GREATNESS ™: A COMPLETE GUIDE TO MEDITATION



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Over time you can meditate independently of the audio following the instructions below.

ABOUT MEDITATION

Different meditation practices have different goals.

Unlike most approaches to meditation, Stillness to Greatness® (STG®) adopts the premise that Meditation is something that is already happening inside of you all of the time. This means there is a part of you that is deeply at rest and aware in this moment, now. The part of you that is always meditating is often referred to as *consciousness* or *awareness*.

In STG® you are given a methodology to help you naturally and effortlessly find the part of you that is always meditating. This unique approach means meditation is not an escape from the pressures of life but a portal to bring meditation into your active life. Bringing meditation into your active life means you will respond in new ways, develop greater tolerance levels for experiences and situations that normally create anxiety, help medical conditions, start to change dysfunctional habits, drop addictive behaviors, become emotionally balanced and happier, access deeper creative potentials and increase focus and enhanced learning states.

STG® uses the four core elements or states of meditation to guide you. These elements are: Slowing down (Stillness), Awareness (Attentiveness and Alertness), Relaxation (Letting go or letting everything be as it is) and Meditation (consciousness or awareness). The acronym “SARM” was designed to help you remember these guidelines for meditation as well as give you a silent mantra that will help you anchor your mind while you sink into a deep relaxed and alert state.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Practice for fifteen minutes twice daily.
- Find a quiet safe place to meditate where you will not be disturbed. Wear comfortable clothing or loosen tight fitting garb as needed. Take note of the time and put your

timer somewhere easily seen without having to turn around or move. Become still, relax and gently close your eyes or leave the eye lids relaxed (half closed) to soften your vision (peripheral vision not focused on anything in particular). Start to say “SARM” silently and slowly to yourself. You only need to repeat it every few breaths. If you stop saying “SARM” at anytime because you lost awareness gently bring yourself back and start saying it again. Repeat this until the meditation is over after fifteen minutes.

- Transitioning out of meditation is important, so give yourself a few minutes to gently refocus and stretch before moving and resuming normal activities.
- The rubrics below have been designed to help you monitor your progress and results over four weeks. Take time out once a week to fill them in.
- You will experience immediate short term results and in as little as three weeks. Take notice of old habits fading away and any new habits that may start emerging.
- I offer One-on-One meditation coaching for those who wish to study the deeper implications of meditation. This coaching can be a profound help to understanding and clarity in your life. For more details contact me at AwakenTeenLeadership@gmail.com .

WEEK 1

Initial Self Assessment (Before) Starting STG® Meditations

Contemplate the following and assess yourself for each statement. - just quick replies. Using a scale of 1-10, how true is each statement for you?

- 1 is, “no, that’s not at all true of me,”
- 10 is “that describes me perfectly.”
- Answering the rubrics honestly will give you accurate feedback as to the

effectiveness of the STG® meditations.

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I am disturbed by stress.	
My intelligence is low.	
I cannot sit still for very long.	
My relationships do not support me.	
I am easily stopped by limiting self-talk.	
I have difficulty sleeping at night.	

I sleep less than six hours a night.	
I suffer from poor health.	
I am unlucky.	
I am overweight.	
My memory is poor.	
I am unpopular.	
I drink alcohol too much.	
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I am unclear about what is most important to me.	
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I worry a lot.	
I cannot cope with more pressure.	
I am afraid of death.	
I hate my life.	
I do not know how to plan my future.	
I am unstable.	
I cannot ask for what I need.	
I am sad.	
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I rarely get time for myself.	
I am a failure.	

Post Meditation Questions

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- I felt happier
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- I felt less anxious
- I felt less emotional
- Cravings diminished
- My thoughts were less distracting
- Old memories surfaced
- I saw new possibilities
- I felt different
- I noticed some gaps in awareness
- I slowed down
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