10 Simple Ways to Improve Your Self-Esteem (valuing and respecting yourself)

- 1. Smile at yourself. Go to a mirror. Look yourself in the eyes and smile. A big, warm, genuine smile.
- 2. Say something kind to yourself.
 - "I like my sassy side."
 - "I appreciate my sense of style."
 - "My taste in music is the best."
 - "I love how creative I am."
- 3. Celebrate a win. Maybe doing something you had been avoiding or trying something new or the way you approached someone about a concern. You have wins every day!

4. Express gratitude for one thing your body allows you to experience.

- A favorite taste.
- ✤ A walk in your favorite park.
- The smell of your favorite lotion.
- 5. Take a nap. Block out an hour on a day that works for your schedule and enjoy!
- 6. Do one thing that recharges you.
 - Read a book.
 - Play a game.
 - Have lunch with a friend.
- 7. Take in one thing that nourishes you.
 - Water
 - Fresh fruit or vegetable
 - Even a piece of your favorite chocolate
- 8. Say "no" to one thing you don't want to do…without apologizing or making an excuse.

9. Remove one thing that leaves you feeling worse.

- Someone you are following on social media
- Music
- A television show/news
- 10. Laugh
 - Watch a clip of your favorite comedian
 - A movie you know will leave you in stiches
 - Connect with a friend who brings out the funny

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