## What Does Radical Acceptance Mean to Me?

Radical acceptance means making a choice to accept reality, even when it's painful or unfair. What does that mean to you?

Think of something you've had a hard time accepting; write a few words about it:
What thoughts occur when you think about that situation?
□ "This isn't fair."
□ "Why me?"
□ "I wish it could be different."
□ "I can't move on until this changes."
What have you been doing to try to avoid or resist this reality? (Check any that apply)
□ Denying it happened
□ Blaming someone (including yourself)
<ul> <li>□ Numbing with substances, distractions, or isolation</li> <li>□ Replaying it over and over</li> </ul>
Write a sentence describing what it would feel like to stop fighting the situation.



## Radical Acceptance Awareness Worksheet

Identify what you're resisting and explore whether it's out of your control.

What situation or truth am I struggling to accept right now?
What parts of this truth can I control versus what's out of my control?
What behaviors have I taken to resist reality? (I.e., blaming, numbing with alcohol, avoiding it)
What has the resistance cost me - emotionally, physically, etc.?



## Radical Acceptance Coping Statements

Use our prompts to write coping statements to accept reality.

Name a truth I need to accept right now - and a statement to help me stay grounded.
What words can ease my discomfort when I'm overwhelmed by the truth?
Write a statement to replace blame, shame, or regret with self-compassion.
Write a statement that reminds you that accepting reality doesn't mean you approve of it. (Remember you're choosing peace!)

