100 DAYS OF... SELFEXPLORATION

A SELF-DISCOVERY JOURNAL

Questions And Prompts
That Will Help You Gain
Self-Awareness In Less

Than 10 Minutes A Day

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INTRODUCTION

Hey there,

Looking for a way to start a new hobby -- a new hobby that just might bring about some crazy amazing benefits to your life? Searching for a way to feel a bit more in control of those things that are bothering you? Or trying to find simple ways to build your creativity? Or just looking for a hobby that will get

you to think a bit more about your life and habits?

Why, journaling just may be for you!

Hello, friend! My name is Amy Blake and I'm here to guide you on a 100 day journey to journaling. As you commit to this little challenge you've put yourself on, you'll slowly discover a variety of benefits and thoughts (and emotions!) that journaling can bring you.

Journaling has **so** many benefits, including (but **definitely** not limited to):

Increasing self-confidence
Sparking creativity
Strengthening self-discipline
Evoking mindfulness
And Expanding your IQ

And here's the great thing: this isn't a challenge that's going to take up all of your time. Nope, not at all! In fact, the great thing about this journaling adventure is it's all up to you. *You* write

when *you* want to write. You write *what* you want to write. So, if that means you write for five to ten minutes a day, then that's what that means!

Journaling can be a daily experience that lasts only a few minutes to maybe a few hours. Finding what is comfortable for you and your lifestyle is the main priority to making sure you continue on strong through this 100 day journey!

Before I get into the nitty gritty

of why you should journal and how you should, or could, journal, I should probably mention some of the basic benefits and qualities that journaling can bring to your lifestyle. First of all, journaling is such a cathartic hobby to have (along with all of those beneficial habits we talked about above).

Have something that's been weighing on your mind, but yet don't really have anyone to talk to? Or maybe your friend, your spouse, your family member did

something that's so annoying, yet so small, and you just need to rant or talk about it a bit. Well, writing all of this down is actually a great way to get those little worries or annoyances off of your chest. It's really quite amazing how simply writing about something -- and putting it out there in the universe, so to speak -- can really help lift your mind free from these things that may be wearing you down.

That's just *one* benefit that comes from journaling.

Before we get into any more of the added benefits that come from journaling, let's break down what journaling even means.

Basically, journaling means writing down thoughts, ideas, opinions, or what you have done for the day. It can be like a diary, or it can be like a stream of consciousness note taking of the day. People in a variety of different careers -- and a variety of different lifestyles or

generations -- use journaling in various ways for different reasons. Regardless of where you are in your life, writing down some thoughts or random ramblings of the day can really bring some benefits to your daily life.

Now, how you keep your journal organized is definitely up to you.

Some have big journals, some have small pocket sized ones. This one probably lies somewhere in the middle.

Some write throughout the day, some write just in the morning, some write just at night. Again, this is all about finding out what fits in your lifestyle and in your schedule -- don't pressure yourself! Journaling should be a fun experience to help you relax and get some added pressure off of your chest or your mind.

Let's get back to those benefits, shall we?

As we mentioned earlier,

journaling can really help in a variety of different ways -- and there are some amazing benefits to keeping a daily journal.

Self-discovery

We slightly touched on this above when we talked about how cathartic writing is. This catharsis falls hand in hand with self-discovery. Sometimes, you really don't realize how you feel about a person, a topic, or a situation until you write about.

By journaling, you really think through what is happening, which can help you come to conclusions that you might not have without the process of journaling. This could be in relation to something really important in your life, to something incredibly small (like whether or not you really want to continue to pay for Hulu or whether you should walk at this or that park).

Self-discovery is, obviously, quite important -- but quite hard

to come by. Journaling helps bring awareness like no other. It's a private experience that can really help you out, regardless of what stage of life you are in or what your specific lifestyle is like.

Gratitude

Journaling can really help bring you to a state of mind that no other hobby or method can. This can come from self-discovery, or through just the simple process of writing down

your daily habits or circumstances. Gratitude and mindfulness fall hand in hand with journaling.

By simply writing daily, you can help steady your mind -- even if it's a particularly wandering type of mind -- and force yourself to focus on the day you've had, the emotions you've felt, the circumstances you found yourself in. This can lead to gratitude towards yourself, the people in your life, or your just overall lifestyle that you're

leading!

Happiness

Happiness is just around the corner when you journal. Remember when we talked about how journaling is cathartic? Yeah, getting those stressful moments off your chest and out of your mind can really help bring about some of the happiness you may feel you're missing.

Happiness can also stem from

that sense of self-discovery and awareness you experience when you start to journal. It's really quite amazing what steadying your mind and reliving the events of the day can do for your mental awareness and mindfulness!

Inspiration

Writing down your thoughts and emotions throughout the day is one way to really help draw in some creative inspiration. If you decide to use your journal in a more liberal way, I highly recommend jotting down any ideas or notes you have throughout the day. This makes keeping your journal on you often a necessity.

Say you would like to write more and are looking for some great plots or character ideas. You never know when some inspiration will strike. You could overhear something at a restaurant or while riding the bus or while at work.

Literally, inspiration is everywhere, all around us, at all times. But we tend to either ignore this, or we remind ourselves that we should remember some idea or funny thing that happened earlier… only to promptly forget it.

Keeping a journal, and daily journaling, is just one way to really help pull in some much needed creativity or inspiration that you feel you are lacking. It's amazing how this works, just

from jotting down some random notes or ideas! Each day there's a new question that will "force" you to get inspired and there's plenty of room for you to jot down any other ideas the day might bring.

Let's start writing!

Now that I've narrowed down some benefits and a few tips to get you excited for journaling, let's start our adventure! 100 days might *seem* like a bit much -- but it'll fly by before you know

it.

You'll pick up this habit soon enough (it's almost like it becomes muscle memory!), meaning you'll pick up these benefits quickly, too!

So, what are you waiting for? Let's start writing!

Here's to 100 days of journaling
-- here's to 100 days of selfdiscovery, more inspiration,
more reflection, more
everything!

I can't wait to start this journey with you!

Cheers, Amy J. Blake

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WHO ARE YOU?

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WHAT ARE YOU PASSIONATE ABOUT?

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WHAT ARE YOU MOST GRATEFUL IN LIFE?

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WHAT ARE YOUR VALUES?

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WHAT ARE THE 3 BIGGEST THINGS YOU'VE LEARNED IN LIFE TO DATE?

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WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO YOURSELF 3 YEARS AGO?

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WHAT DO YOU FEAR? HOW CAN YOU OVERCOME IT?

DATE:.....

WHAT ARE YOU WORRIED ABOUT? WILL IT MATTER 3 YEARS FROM NOW?

DATE:.....

WHAT ARE YOUR BIGGEST GOALS AND DREAMS?

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FOR FREE FOR THE REST OF YOUR LIFE, WHAT WOULD IT BE?

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WHAT WOULD YOU DO IF YOU KNEW YOU COULD NOT FAIL & THERE WERE NO LIMITATION OF RESOURCES (MONEY, TIME, ...) ?

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WHAT'S STOPPING YOU NOW & HOW CAN YOU OVERCOME IT?

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ARE YOU PUTTING ANY PARTS OF YOUR LIFE ON HOLD? (HONESTLY)

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WHAT"S THE TOP PRIORITY IN YOUR LIFE RIGHT NOW?

WHAT AND WHO MAKES YOU HAPPY?

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WHAT IS SOMETHING YOU REGRET DOING? IS IT AFFECTING YOU TO THIS DAY?

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WHAT IS A POSITIVE MEMORY THAT STANDS OUT FROM YOUR CHILDHOOD?

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WHAT IS A NEGATIVE MEMORY THAT STANDS OUT FROM YOUR CHILDHOOD? WHAT DID YOU LEARN FROM IT?

WHAT LIMITING BELIEFS ARE YOU HOLDING ON TO?

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WHAT EMPOWERING BELIEFS CAN YOU TAKE ON MOVING FORWARD?

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WHAT ARE SOME BAD HABITS YOU WANT TO REPLACE?

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WHAT GOOD HABITS YOU WANT TO CULTIVATE INDTEAD?

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WHERE ARE YOU LIVING RIGHT NOW? PAST, FUTURE OR PRESENT?

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WHAT IS YOUR LIFE'S PURPOSE? WHAT IS YOUR MISSION?

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WHAT DRIVES YOU? WHY DO YOU WAKE UP EVERY DAY?

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HOW CAN YOU MAKE YOUR LIFE MORE MEANINGFUL STARTING TODAY?

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HOW CAN YOU CHANGE SOMEONE'S LIFE FOR THE BETTER TODAY?

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WHO ARE THE 5 PEOPLE YOU SPEND THE MOST TIME WITH?

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YOU BACK OR PUSHING YOU FORWARD?

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WHAT IS YOUR IDEAL LIFE PARTNER LIKE?

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ARE YOU AFRAID OF LETTING OTHERS GET CLOSE TO YOU? IF SO, WHY?

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WHO IS THE MOST IMPORTANT PERSON TO YOU IN THE WORLD?

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HAVE YOU LET HIM/HER KNOW HOW MUCH YOU VALUE THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS TO YOUR LIFE?

WHAT IS YOUR IDEAL CAREER?

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HOW CAN YOU START CREATING YOUR IDEAL CAREER STARTING TODAY?

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WHAT IS YOUR IDEAL DIET?

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WHAT DO YOU NEED TO DO TO ACHIEVE YOUR IDEAL DIET?

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WHAT IS YOUR IDEAL HOME LIKE?

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WHAT DO YOU NEED TO DO TO ACHIEVE YOUR IDEAL HOME?

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WHAT IS YOUR IDEAL PHYSICAL LOOK?

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WHAT DO YOU NEED TO DO TO ACHIEVE YOUR IDEAL PHYSICAL LOOK?

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WHAT IS YOUR IDEAL LIFE?

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WHAT CAN YOU DO TODAY TO START LIVING YOUR IDEAL LIFE?

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WHAT WOULD YOU WANT TO SAY TO YOURSELF 3 YEARS IN THE FUTURE?

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IS THERE ANYTHING YOU ARE RUNNING AWAY FROM?

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ARE YOU SETTLING FOR LESS THAN WHAT YOU ARE WORTH? WHY?

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IF YOU ONLY HAD 1 YEAR TO LIVE, HOW WOULD YOU SPEND IT?

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WHAT IS SOMETHING YOU WANT TO DO BUT HAVE NOT DONE TO DATE?

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IF YOU HAD MILLIONS OF DOLLARS, HOW WOULD YOU SPEND IT?

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ARE YOU A GIVER OR A TAKER?

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WHERE/HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE YOURSELF IN 10 YEARS FROM NOW?

DATE:.....

ARE YOU OPEN-MINDED? JUDGEMENTAL?

WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO CHANGE ABOUT YOURSELF?

DATE:.....

WHAT DO YOU LIKE ABOUT YOURSELF?

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IF YOU HAD TO DESCRIBE YOURSELF USING 10 WORDS, WHAT WOULD THOSE BE?

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IF YOU COULD TALK TO YOUR TEENAGE SELF, WHAT WOULD YOU SAY?

WHAT SURPRISED YOU THE MOST ABOUT YOUR LIFE OR LIFE IN GENERAL?

DATE:....

WHAT CAN YOU LEARN FROM YOUR BIGGEST MISTAKE TO DATE?

DATE:....

WHAT'S A TOPIC YOU NEED TO LEARN MORE ABOUT TO HELP YOU LIVE A MORE FULFILLING LIFE?

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WRITE 10 THINGS YOU WOULD LIKE TO SAY NO TO:

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WRITE 10 THINGS YOU WOULD LIKE TO SAY YES TO:

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WHEN DO YOU FEEL ENERGIZED THE MOST?

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WRITE ONE THING YOU WISH OTHERS KNEW ABOUT YOU:

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WHAT WOULD BE CONSIDERED ENOUGH FOR YOU?

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WHAT COULD YOU NOT IMAGINE LIVING WITHOUT?

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WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE WAY OF SPENDING THE DAY?

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WRITE 10 THINGS THAT MAKE YOU SMILE:

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WRITE 10 WORDS YOU WOULD LIKE TO LIVE BY:

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IF TODAY WAS YOUR LAST DAY EVER, WHO WOULD YOU WANT TO SPEND IT WITH?

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WHAT ARE YOU TRULY GRATEFUL FOR? DO YOU EXPRESS YOUR THANKFULNESS?

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DO YOU ENJOY LIFE? HOW CAN YOU EXPERIENCE MORE ENJOYMENT?

DATE:.....

DO YOU SEE YOURSELF AS SUCCESSFUL?

DATE:.....

WHAT ARE YOU PROUD OF HAVING ACHIEVED?

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WHAT IS SOMETHING YOU ARE ASHAMED OF? HOW CAN YOU DEAL WITH THIS?

DATE:....

WHAT DO YOU NEED RIGHT NOW MORE THAN ANYTHING ELSE?

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WHAT ARE YOU RESISTING, OR ATTACHING TO?

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WHAT ARE YOUR GIFTS? HOW CAN YOU SHARE THEM WITH THE WORLD?

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WHAT IS THE THING YOU ARE SECOND MOST PROUD OF?

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WHAT KIND OF LEGACY DO YOU WANT TO LEAVE BEHIND?

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HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT YOUR PARENTS?

DATE:.....

HOW IS YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH MONEY?

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WHAT ARE YOUR BIGGEST FEARS ABOUT SUCCESS?

DATE:.....

WHAT MOTIVATES YOU THE MOST?

WHO IS YOUR GREATEST ROLE MODEL?

DATE:....

WHAT IS SOMETHING THAT IS TRUE FOR YOU NO MATTER WHAT?

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WHAT IS YOUR MORAL COMPASS IN MAKING TOUGH DECISIONS?

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WHAT IS YOUR HIGHEST CORE VALUE?

DATE:.....

WHAT DO YOU BELIEVE IS POSSIBLE FOR YOU?

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IF YOU COULD HAVE ONE SINGLE WISH GRANTED, WHAT WOULD IT BE?

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IF YOU COULD START OVER, WHO WOULD YOU BE?

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WHAT IS THE ONE REGRET YOU DO NOT WANT TO HAVE IN YOUR LIFETIME?

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WHAT DO YOU LIKE THE MOST AND LEAST ABOUT YOUR DAILY LIFE?

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IS YOUR LIFE MOVING TOWARDS A POSITIVE OR NEGATIVE DIRECTION? WHY?

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WHAT ARE THE 3 MOST IMPORTANT THINGS YOU HAVE LEARNED ABOUT YOURSELF?

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WHAT VISION DO YOU HAVE FOR YOUR LIFE MOVING FORWARD?

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WHAT DO YOU LOVE ABOUT TODAY?

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WHAT ARE YOU MOST GRATEFUL FOR TODAY?

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AGAIN...WHO ARE YOU?

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WHAT ARE GOING TO DO DIFFRENTLY AFTER COMPLETING THIS CHALLENGE?

CONGRATULATIONS

You made it to the very end! Give yourself a hearty pat on the back, you certainly deserve it!

I know this was only a journal but don't let that diminish its value in any way. YOU devoted more than three months of your life to this and hopefully now you have reached the end, you have a better understanding of your priorities, values and dreams moving forward!

Being self-aware is probably the single most important skill anyone can learn, because only then you can clearly and objectively evaluate your strengths and weaknesses. Once you do so you can make the most of them in any situation regardless of the circumstances at play.

That being said, I wish you the very best moving forward and would love to hear if and how this journal helped you in any

way!

To Your Success, Amy Blake

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