

Solution SHIFT Exercise

This is your chance to apply what you've learned and a valuable step in creating a **SHIFT** habit. You may be thinking, "I don't want to do this exercise," but I assure you that practicing and personalizing the steps are crucial to making them work for you!

- 1. Under "POW" give a brief description of a problem you were trying to solve that created a negative or frustrating feeling and why it was so aggravating.
- 2. Under "S" write the word **STOP**. This will help you remember to say "Stop!" and breathe the next time you're hit with a POW.)
- 3. Under "H" list the harmful knee-jerk reactions you had in response to the POW you described in Step 1.
- 4. Under "I" list the emotions you experienced.
- 5. Under "F" list as many ideas as you can think of that are new options for the scenario you described.
- 6. "Under "T" write down at least one action you will take if you are faced with this POW again.
- 7. Under "WOW" list the positive outcomes that would result from this Solution SHIFT.

PQW	Stop and breathe	Harness knee-jerk reactions	Identify & manage emotions	Find new options	Take one positive action	WE)Y