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## **Toolkit 1 - Learning Unit 11 Pre intervention**

## **Activity 1b** Test your thinking style





## DYSFUNCTIONAL THINKING INVENTORY

It asks you about the way in which you use a type of dysfunctional thinking. In this test, there are no right or wrong answers. Simply answer in a way that is most like you.

In each of the 16 questions, you will be presented with a particular dysfunction thinking style. You are asked to consider the extent to which the statement is relevant to you.

For example: 'Black and white thinking.' You are required to respond to this statement by selecting how strongly you use it on a four-point scale: Not at all – Sometimes – Often – Always.

Black and white thinking	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Blaming	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Catastrophizing	$\circ$	$\circ$	$\circ$	$\bigcirc$
Minimizing/Maximizing	$\circ$	$\circ$	$\circ$	$\bigcirc$
Fortune telling, Jumping to conclusion	0	0	0	0
Labeling	$\circ$	$\circ$	$\circ$	$\bigcirc$
Mental filter	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Mind reading	$\bigcirc$	$\circ$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Overgeneralization	$\bigcirc$	$\circ$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Should statements	$\circ$	$\circ$	$\circ$	$\circ$
Selective interpretation	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Personalization	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Emotional reasoning	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Over-responsibility				
Discounting the positive				
Always being right			$\circ$	Ō



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Now, check your results. Apparently, those statements with lower numbers show you that you do not have a problem with this type of dysfunctional thinking, and you rather check the statements you rated as 3 or 4.

Write them down, keep them on your mind, and try to realize and acknowledge it whenever you use them. Being aware of the dysfunctional thoughts is the first step to change it. Keeping our fingers crossed for you!