# Respectful Futures Shaping Healthy Relationships

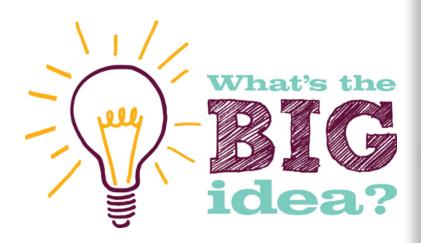




### Module 4 Understanding and Managing Anger



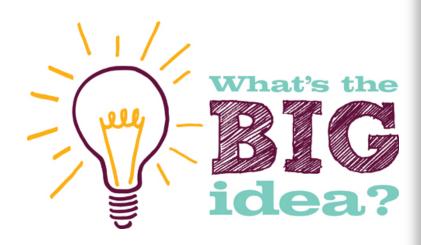
#### Big Ideas



Conflict is a natural part of being in relationship with others. How we deal with conflict determines whether a relationship is positive or negative, healthy or unhealthy.



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Understanding our own emotional responses to stress and stressors is an important part of gaining control of our lives and maintaining healthy relationships.

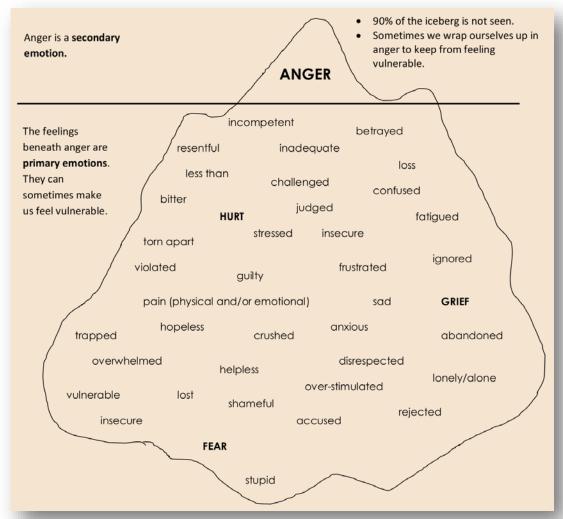


#### Discussion Question



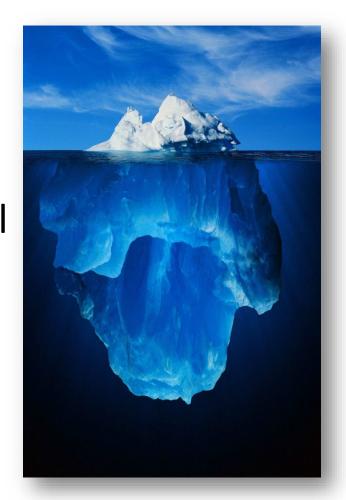
Do you think anger is a bad thing? Why or why not?





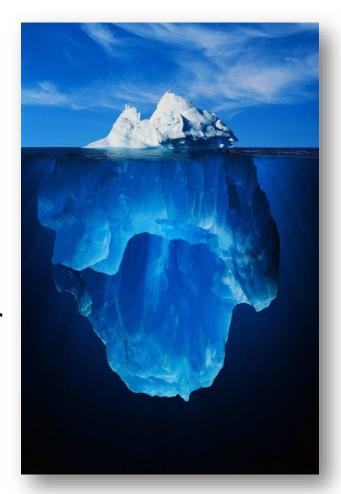


 Anger appears to be the issue, but the real issue is the feelings below the surface.



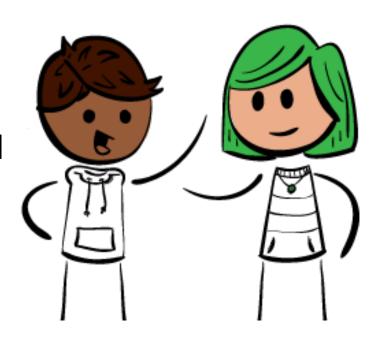


It may seem as though
 anger is all you feel, but
 if you slow down and
 breathe, you will discover
 other feelings.





 Solution: Discharge the big energy without harming yourself or others. Then find someone you can talk with, and explore the emotions beneath the anger.





# Three Questions to Ask Yourself When You Are Feeling Angry

 What do I need to do to take care of myself right now?



Breathe, take a time-out, go for a walk, practise positive selftalk, get underneath the anger to the primary feelings



# Three Questions to Ask Yourself When You Are Feeling Angry

 What do I need to do about the situation?



Focus on what is important and true right now, represent myself clearly and openly, ask for what I need in a good way



# Three Questions to Ask Yourself When You Are Feeling Angry

How can I do that respectfully?

Use "I" statements, take time to cool down before you communicate, resist blaming the other person, choose your words carefully



### Anger: What It Is (an emotion)



- An emotional response
- A window to other feelings
- A part of being assertive
- A doorway to getting to know others better
- A release
- A form of protection



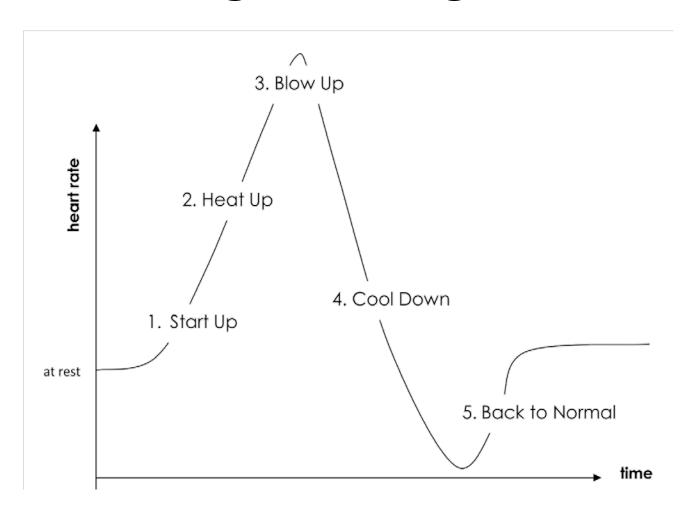
#### Anger: What It Is NOT (a behaviour)



When we are angry, we act or behave in ways that can be negative or positive. Our actions are the result of the anger, and we can decide how to act so that we improve the outcome of the situation.



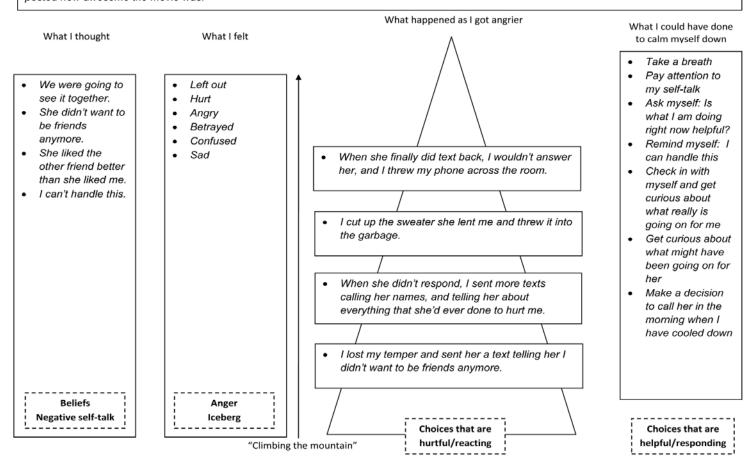
### Stages of Anger





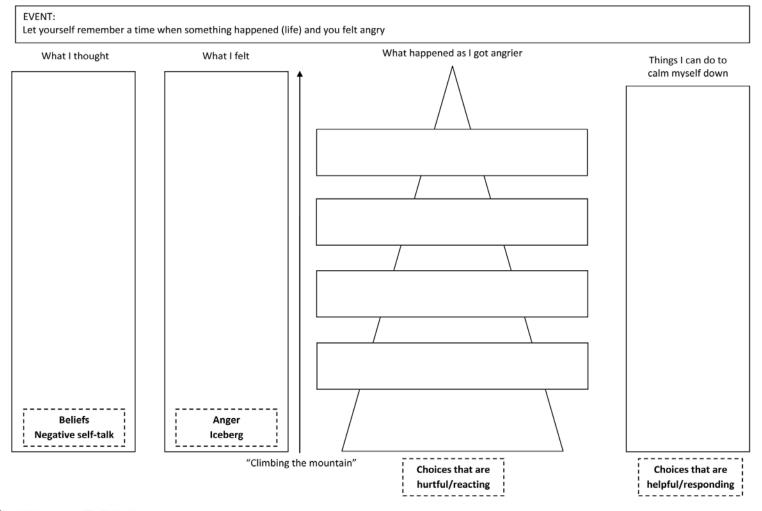
### The Anger Mountain – Example

EVENT (Life happens): My best friend and I were supposed to see a movie together. She went with someone else and I only found out because she posted how awesome the movie was.





### The Anger Mountain – Your Turn





### Positive Steps for Dealing with Anger Respectfully

Respectful Ways of Feeling and Expressing Anger





### Positive Steps for Dealing with Anger Respectfully continued

Positive Self-Talk for Dealing with Anger





#### The Tool Box

- No Excuses
- Time-Outs
- Positive versus Negative Self-Talk
- Listening
- Remember ...



