

# Start with Strengths: Creating Emotionally Healthy Communities

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- ✓ You cannot truly see the strengths in others until you see the strengths in yourself
- ✓ Think about your skill and character strengths. How are they different? How do your character strengths enhance your skills?
- ✓ Put your strengths to use every day
- ✓ Take the character strengths survey: [viacharacter.org](http://viacharacter.org)

 We see the negatives because they stand out and draw our attention

## WHAT ARE MY OWN STRENGTHS?

List some of your strengths here:

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- ✓ Take some time to reflect on what it is about this person that brings you JOY
- ✓ Think about this person's skill and character strengths and consider how you can draw these to the surface
- ✓ Think about ways you can use these strengths to create a stronger connection with this person

 The words we use matter. They influence how we think about each other. Which words will you choose?

## WHAT ARE THE STRENGTHS OF MY 'ONE'?

List some of these strengths here:

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- ✓ Create a safe space for everyone to share their stories and learn with each other
- ✓ Consider the different ways you can learn about resources in your community
- ✓ Share your knowledge with others

 Challenge yourself to think about the untapped resources in your community

## WHAT ARE THE STRENGTHS OF MY COMMUNITY?

List some of these strengths here:

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- ✓ It starts with you. A tiny ripple can have huge reach and impact
- ✓ Bring your ONE's strength to the surface, tap into it and use it to connect and change the story for 5 days
- ✓ Reflect on what went well then share this with others

 We are all faced with a series of great opportunities brilliantly disguised as impossible situations

## WHAT CAN I DO TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

List some of your ideas here:

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'You don't know what you are capable of until you have the opportunity to discover it.' Sir Ken Robinson