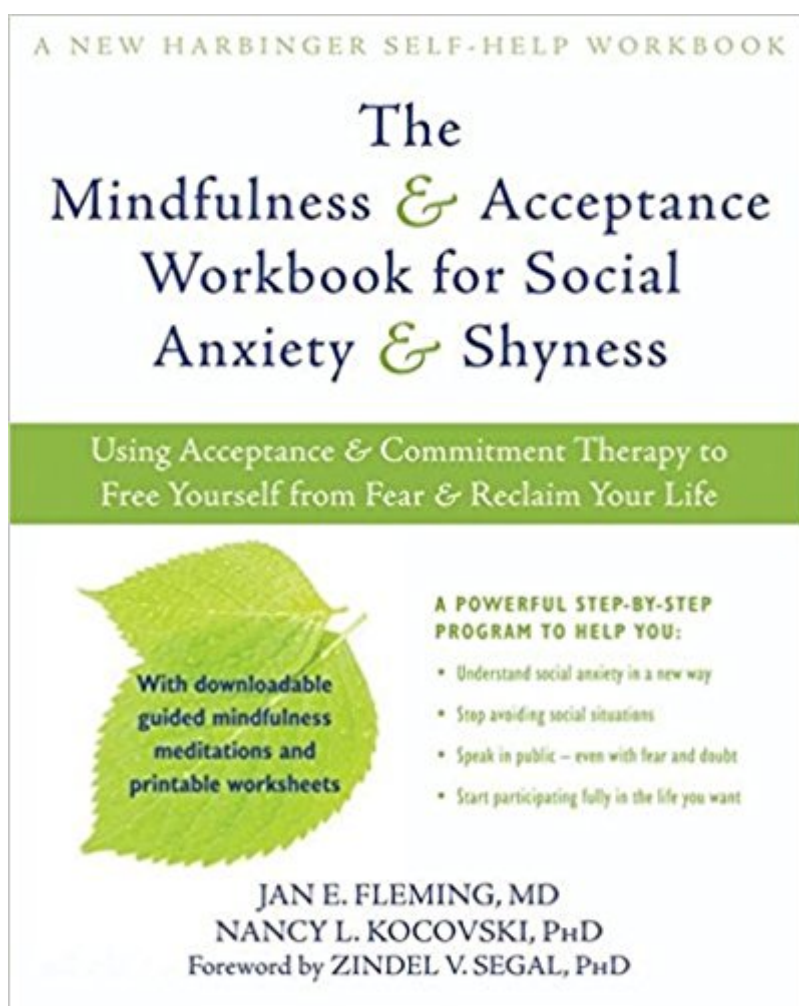


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The Mindfulness And Acceptance Workbook For Social Anxiety And Shyness: Using Acceptance And Commitment Therapy To Free Yourself From Fear And Reclaim Your Life (New Harbinger Self-Help Workbook)





Synopsis

Shyness is a common problem that comes with a high price. If you suffer from shyness or social anxiety you might avoid social situations and may have trouble connecting with others due to an extreme fear of humiliation, rejection, and judgment. As a shy person, you may also experience panic attacks that make it even more likely that you'll avoid social situations. With *The Mindfulness and Acceptance Workbook for Social Anxiety and Shyness*, the authors' acceptance and commitment therapy (ACT) program for overcoming shyness has become available to the public for the first time. This program has been found to be highly effective in research studies for the treatment of social anxiety disorder and related subclinical levels of shyness. In the first section, you will confront performance fears, test anxiety, shy bladder, and interpersonal fears—fundamental symptoms of social anxiety. The second part helps you learn psychological flexibility to improve your ability to accept the feelings, thoughts, and behavior that may arise as you learn to work past your anxiety. By keeping your values front and center, you will gradually learn to move beyond your fears and toward greater social confidence.

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Think of this book as a great skating instructor. Shyness and social anxiety push us to stay at the edge of the social skating rink, grasping tightly to a safety bar. Vitality and involvement cannot happen there. This book takes you by the hand and teaches you how to maintain your balance

and choose your direction while in the open rink of full social participation. Are you fed up with living at the anxious edge of life? "Release your grip on the safety bar and grab this book instead!" "It's time to go for it." Steven C. Hayes, PhD, foundation professor of psychology at the University of Nevada, Reno and author of *Get Out of Your Mind and Into Your Life*; This well-written, accessible workbook describes a new approach for coping with social anxiety and shyness based on rigorous research by the authors and others. This book is an excellent resource for anyone who experiences anxiety in social and performance situations. I strongly recommend it! "Martin M. Antony, PhD, ABPP, professor of psychology at Ryerson University and author of *The Shyness and Social Anxiety Workbook*; This beautifully written book will benefit anyone suffering from shyness and social anxiety. The authors have a deep understanding and compassion for these difficulties, and their book is full of interesting and helpful exercises, all clearly explained and organized. "Ruth Baer, PhD, professor of psychology at the University of Kentucky, and editor of *Mindfulness-Based Treatment Approaches and Assessing Mindfulness and Acceptance Processes in Clients*; Jan Fleming and Nancy Kocovski have created a highly accessible guide to support the journey from anxiety to calm, from worry to clarity, for those who experience stress in the face of social engagements and new situations. Built upon carefully studied clinical applications and the rigorous science of focusing the mind in an open and peaceful way, this practical handbook offers health-creating relief for anyone with an anxious disposition; especially those with social anxiety and shyness; so that they can find the inner peace and interpersonal confidence needed to live their lives with more ease and well-being. Congratulations to the authors for bringing the research-proven benefits of mindfulness to the lives of so many who are sure to benefit from their empirically-proven and practical suggestions! "Daniel J. Siegel, MD, executive director at the Mindsight Institute, clinical professor at the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA, and author of *Mindsight, The Pocket Guide to Interpersonal Neurobiology, and The Mindful Brain*; This book captures the most cutting-edge approaches for managing one of the most common, chronic, and debilitating psychological problems. Instead of trying to manage or get rid of social anxiety, the authors offer a shift in thinking toward how anxiety is transformed with an open, receptive attitude, and how a person can make progress toward meaningful life pursuits despite the presence of doubt and social fears. Many people will be helped by the insights in this workbook. "Todd B. Kashdan, PhD, associate professor of psychology at George Mason University and author of *Curious? Discover the Missing Ingredient to a Fulfilling Life*; The authors bring their expertise and caring approach to each of the well-thought-out steps that lead to reducing anxiety over a wide

range of situations. The specific therapeutic techniques of acceptance and commitment therapy and mindfulness are translated very skillfully into exercises that lead the reader gradually, step by step, to being able to look at their own anxiety in new ways. —Richard P. Swinson, MD, FRCPC, professor emeritus at Michael G. DeGroote School of Medicine, McMaster University, Hamilton, ON, and author of *The Shyness and Social Anxiety Workbook*

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Using this book hasn't yet made me do a complete 180 or anything in my social life or with shyness,

but it has helped me do exactly what it says - accept what it is and use my mind to sort of "bend" the emotions away from the center of my consciousness to concentrate on the moment. I think this is one of those tools that you can keep coming back to for support and to retrain your mind.

Suggested by my therapist, this book explained step-by-step how to identify where your social anxiety lives and how to work WITH your anxious feelings and thoughts without trying to change or battle them. Best part - you can still be you! ACT therapy provided in this book is a great place to start!

This workbook gives great insight into how to overcome anxiety and shyness in any social situation. It is extremely well written, and gives detailed suggestions into how to overcome various hangups that we might have in getting along with others. The format is one that is very easy to follow, and put into practice. Well done, Jan.

I highly recommend this book. Very thorough, easy to use, simple worksheets. I found this helpful even when the activities weren't always followed to help gain insight into the social anxiety and properly understanding it.

Great ideas

As I stated, good for individuals looking to do some of their own work but much better when used in tandem with a therapist who is trained in the ACT model.

There's so much to consider here. For a lay person, it is extremely well organized and seems to get right to the core of what many shy people experience with such difficulty. I And I've never seen this information laid out all together. It's great to know how to deal with it for yourselves and others. I love the work book approach and find it very helpful for me and my family.

I liked very much the usefull techniques but would be better with some training line. All the techniques worked for me although it was meant to real hard shyness, i felt good going deeper.

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