## **Help for Healing from Depression**

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1. EXERCISE  Get sufficient amounts of exercise	2. ENJOYABLE ACTIVITIES Schedule activities you know you've enjoyed in the past, as this will help activate your brain's pleasure centers	3. CREATIVITY  Express your negative feelings creatively, through painting, singing, music or other creative pursuits
4. REDUCE STRESS  Manage your day-to-day stress levels	5. CHANGE PERSPECTIVE Assess your thoughts and change how you interpret events	6. BE MINDFUL  Practice mindfulness, i.e. pay attention to the moment you're in right now
7. POSITIVE SELF-TALK Silence your "inner critic" and practice more positive self-talk	8. SOCIAL SUPPORT Widen your social support network	9. SELF-CARE Improve your self-care, such as eating better and getting enough sleep