

## 6 SCIENCE-BACKED WAYS TO BUILD RESILIENCE

**Resilience is the process of adapting well in the face of adversity**, trauma, tragedy, threats or significant sources of stress. It means "bouncing back" from difficult experiences. Resilience is ordinary, not extraordinary. It can be learned and developed by everyone.

- 1. **Ask yourself**: Is this stressful, just annoying, disruptive, or uncomfortable? This can make your feelings more manageable.
- 2. **Accept that you are feeling stressed**. This reduces the emotional charge and calms the amygdala.
- 3. **Reappraise or reframe** the stress you feel in the situation as helpful. Use stress as a skill to optimize performance.
- 4. **Change your mindset** about stress. It is enhancing: Changing your mindset can save your life.
- 5. **Slow down you're breathing** to deactivate the fight or flight system and activate the rest and digest system.
- 6. **Take care of yourself**: We are a mind-body system; to have a healthy mind, you need a healthy body.

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