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# WHAT DOES WELLNESS MEAN TO YOU?



THE GLOBAL WELLNESS INSTITUTE DEFINES WELLNESS AS "THE ACTIVE PURSUIT OF ACTIVITIES, CHOICES AND LIFESTYLES THAT LEAD TO A STATE OF HOLISTIC HEALTH."



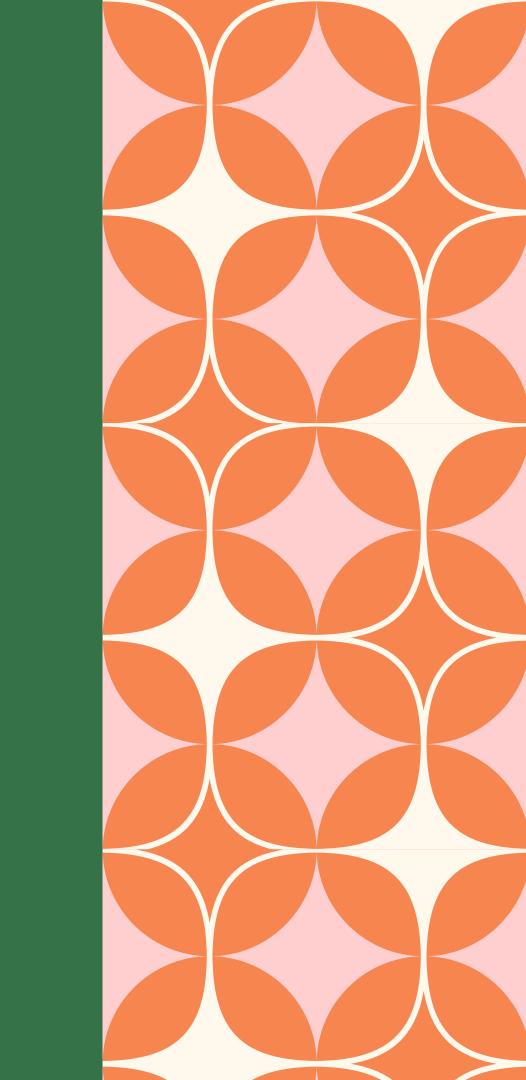
THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION DEFINES WELLNESS AS "A STATE OF COMPLETE PHYSICAL, MENTAL, AND SOCIAL WELL-BEING, AND NOT MERELY THE ABSENCE OF DISEASE OR INFIRMITY".



THE NATIONAL WELLNESS INSTITUTE DEFINES WELLNESS AS, "AN ACTIVE PROCESS THROUGH WHICH PEOPLE BECOME AWARE OF, AND MAKE CHOICES TOWARD, A MORE SUCCESSFUL EXISTENCE."

RAISE YOUR HAND IF YOU LOVE THE HOLIDAYS SEASON!

NOW RAISE YOUR HAND
IF YOU GET STRESSED
DURING THE HOLIDAYS
SEASON.





- A 2018 STUDY BY NEWSWIRE FOUND THAT 88% OF AMERICANS FELT STRESSED WHILE CELEBRATING THE HOLIDAYS.
- A CONSUMER SURVEY FROM HEALTH MARKETPLACE SESAME REVEALED THAT THREE-IN-FIVE AMERICANS REPORTED THEIR MENTAL HEALTH IS NEGATIVELY IMPACTED BY THE HOLIDAYS, WITH 60% REPORTING INCREASED ANXIETY AND 52% REPORTING INCREASED DEPRESSION.
- ACCORDING TO THE AMERICAN PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION, SOME OF THE MOST COMMONLY FELT NEGATIVE EMOTIONS DURING THE HOLIDAYS INCLUDE FATIGUE, STRESS, IRRITABILITY, AND SADNESS.

#### WHAT MAKES YOU FEEL AN INCREASE OF STRESS DURING THE HOLDAY SEASON?



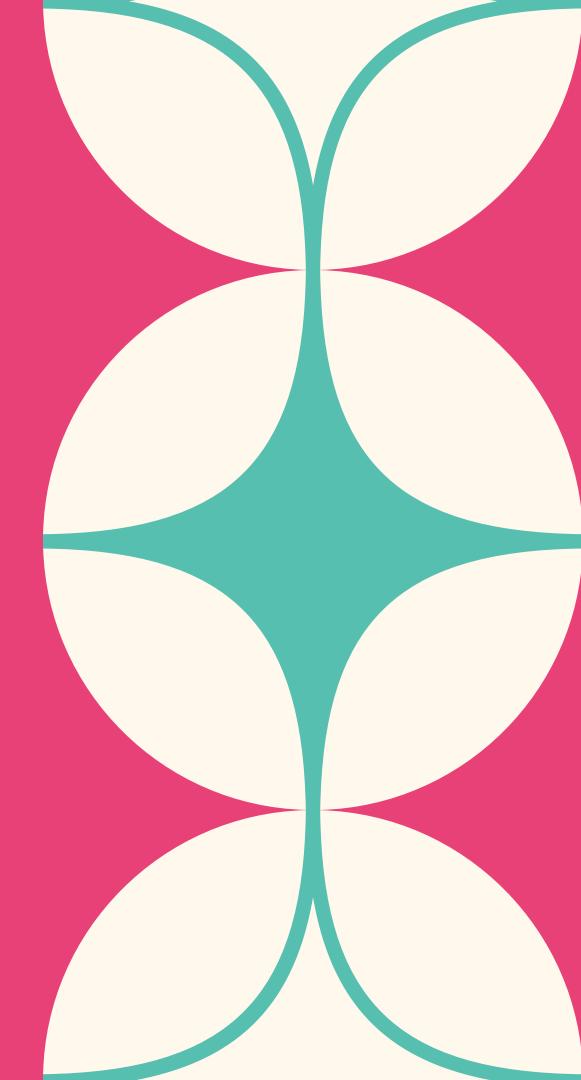
## SOME REASONS PEOPLE EXPERIENCE STRESS DURING THE HOLIDAYS:

FINANCES, TRAVEL, BEING OUT OF ROUTINE, CHANGE OF DIET AND EXERCISE, FAMILY DRAMA, LOSS OF LOVED ONES, GRIEF



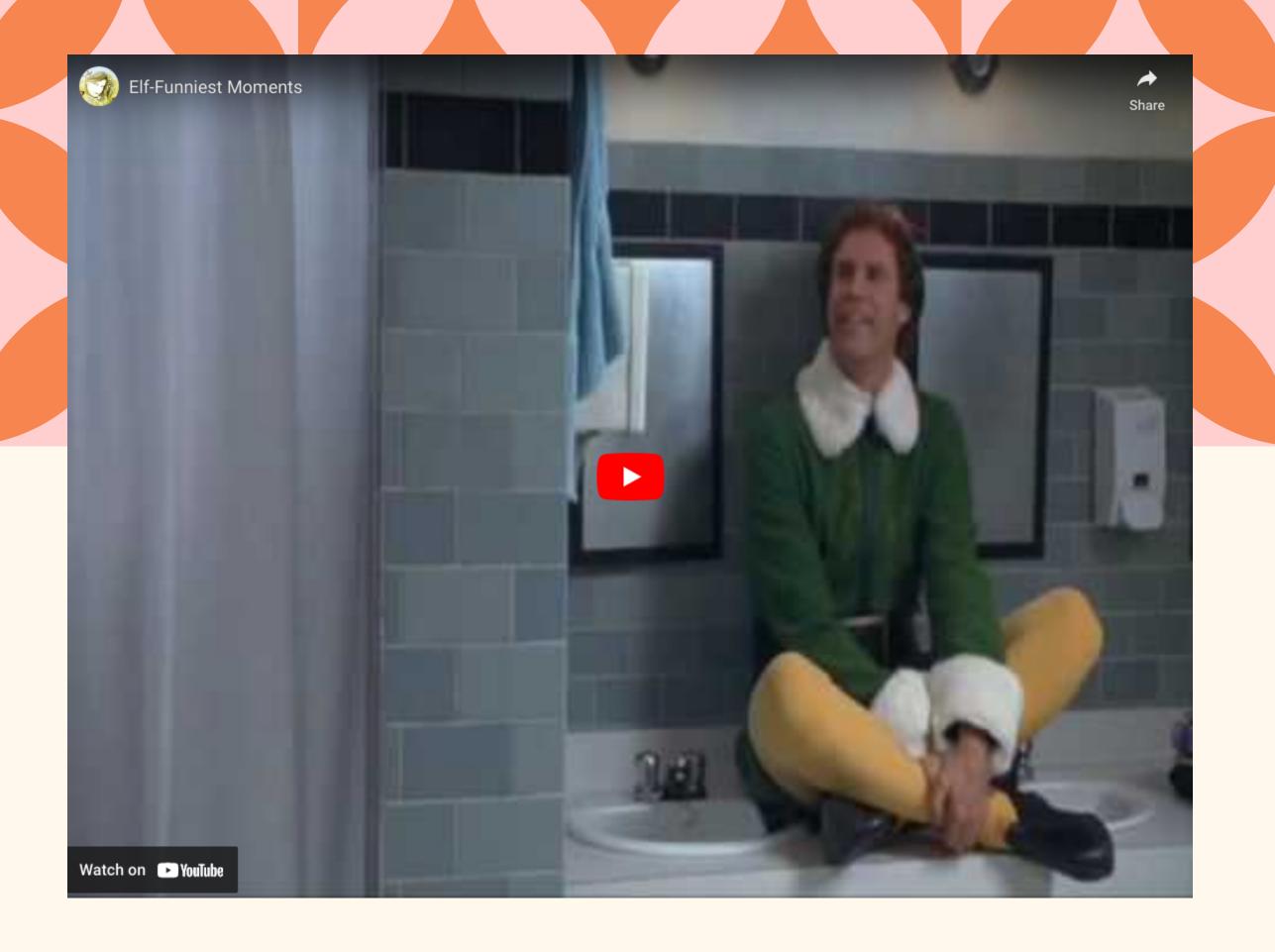
#### IT'S IMPORTANT TO RECOGNIZE OUR STRESSORS

This helps us to build our support system and wellness plans by knowing what we need



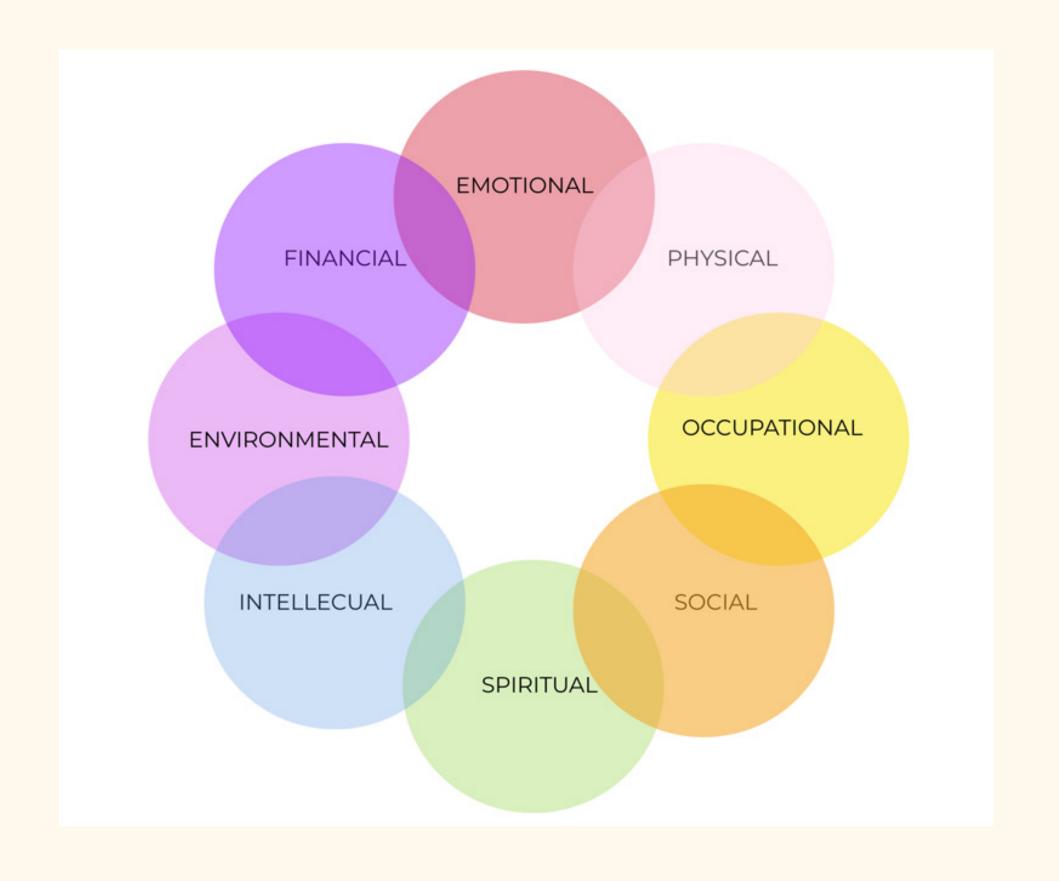


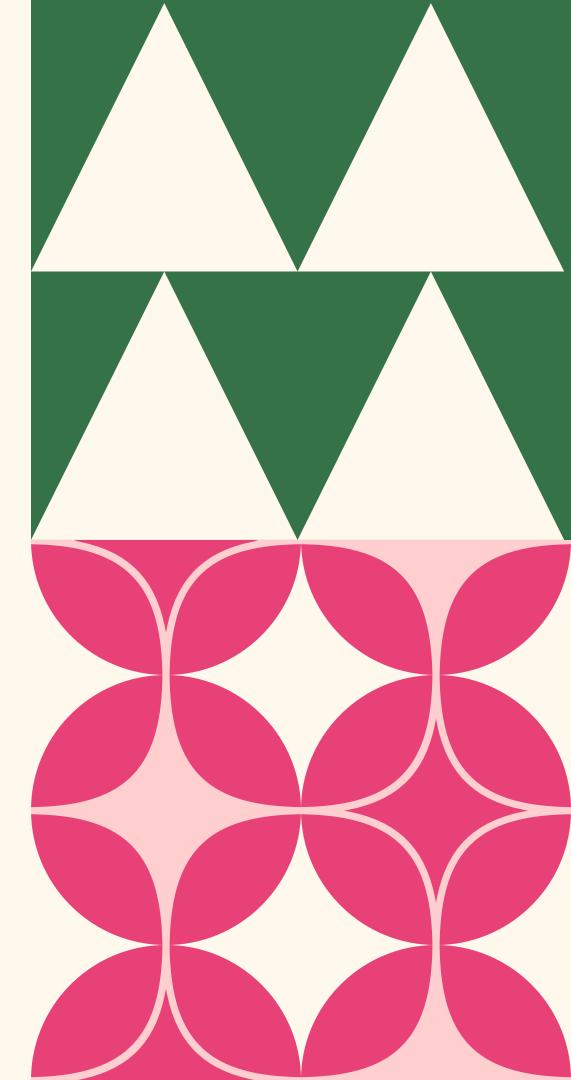
#### NOW LET'S TALK ABOUT HOW WE CAN HAVE THE BEST HOLIDAY SEASON POSSIBLE



#### WHAT ARE SOME CURRENT WAYS YOU TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF DURING THE HOLIDAYS?

#### 8 DIMENSIONS OF WELLNESS





#### EMOTIONAL WELLNESS



ALLOW YOURSELF TO FEEL YOUR FEELINGS

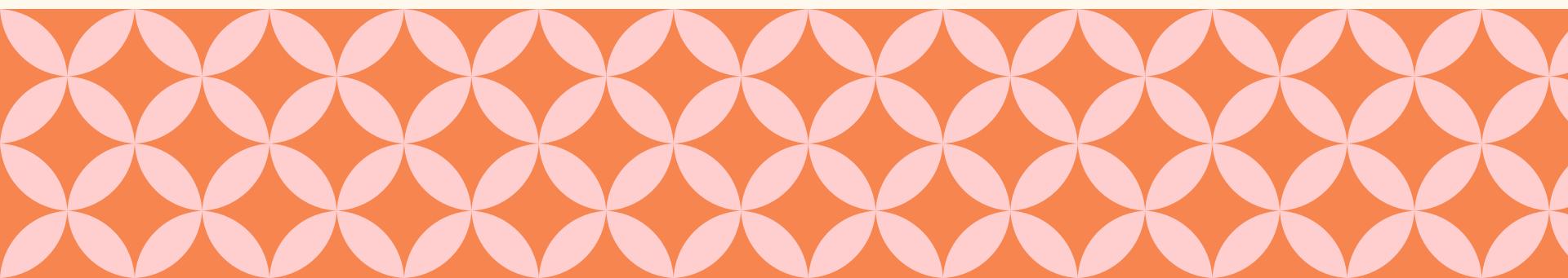
- JOURNAL, TALK TO A FRIEND, GO FOR A WALK



PLAN ACTIVITIES THAT ARE NOURISHING AND BRING YOU JOY



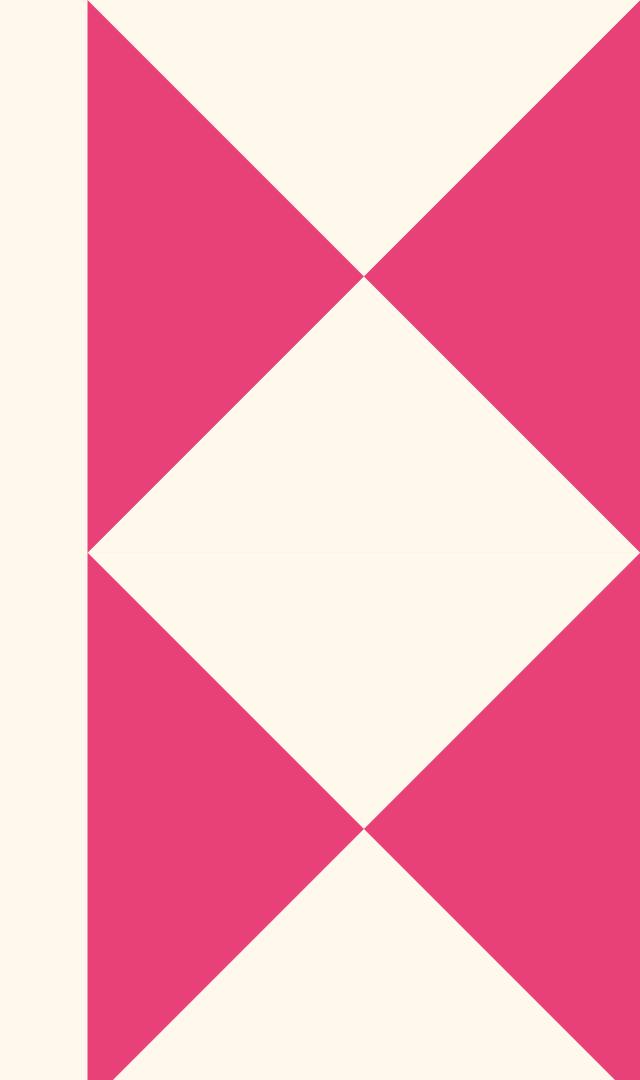
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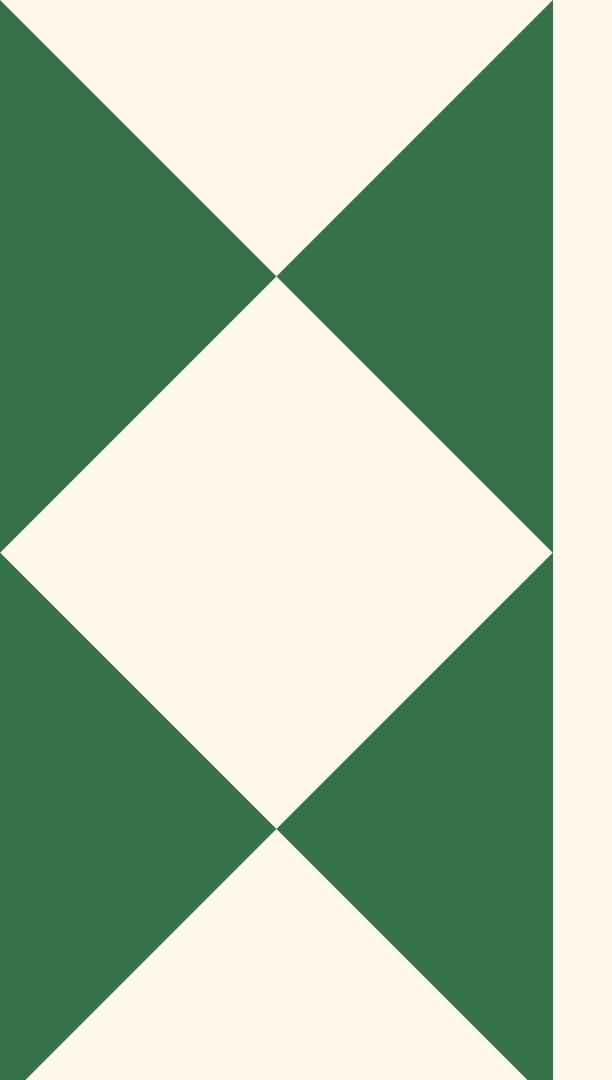


#### SET BOUNDARIES AS NEEDED



"Everyone expects Ho-Ho-Ho, but sometimes it's okay to say No-No-No."





#### Boundaries Can Sound Like...

I'm not able to attend this year.

I don't feel comfortable attending if so-and-so will be there.

I appreciate the invite but this year I'm be staying home.

I would love to bring that dish but my schedule is full. Maybe next time?

I can't make it. Can we plan something later this year?

Thank you for thinking of me but I can't.

I can come but I have to leave by...

l feel uncomfortable when... I'm not discussing politics.

I don't feel comfortable talking about that right now.

I can host, but I need volunteers to help with... need some time to decompress upstairs/ in my car/ outside.

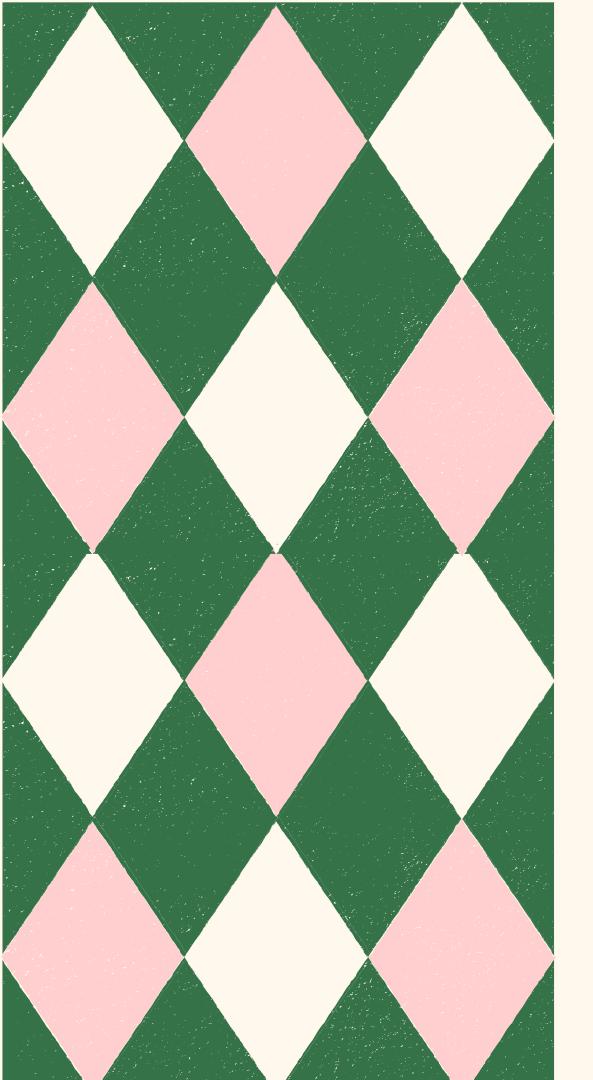
My weight is not a topic for discussion.

I'm focusing on my mental health & doing xyz...

I can do xyz instead, would that work?

SelfLoveRainbow

Last year was stressful, could we try...



## OCCUPATIONAL WELLNESS



WHEN YOU'RE AWAY FROM WORK, BE AWAY FROM WORK!



ALLOW YOURSELF AND OTHERS SOME EXTRA GRACE DURING THIS TIME • ASSUME POSITIVE INTENT



COMMUNICATE WITH OTHERS, LET COWORKERS KNOW WHAT YOU NEED

#### SOCIAL WELLNESS



SPEND TIME WITH PEOPLE THAT TRULY FILL YOUR CUP



FOCUS ON BEING OF SERVICE TO THOSE AROUND YOU AND GIVING POSITIVE ENERGY TO THE SITUATION



ATTEND A NEW EVENT, TRY OUT A NEW ACTIVITY



#### SPIRITUAL WELLNESS



SPEND SOME INTENTIONAL TIME BY YOURSELF

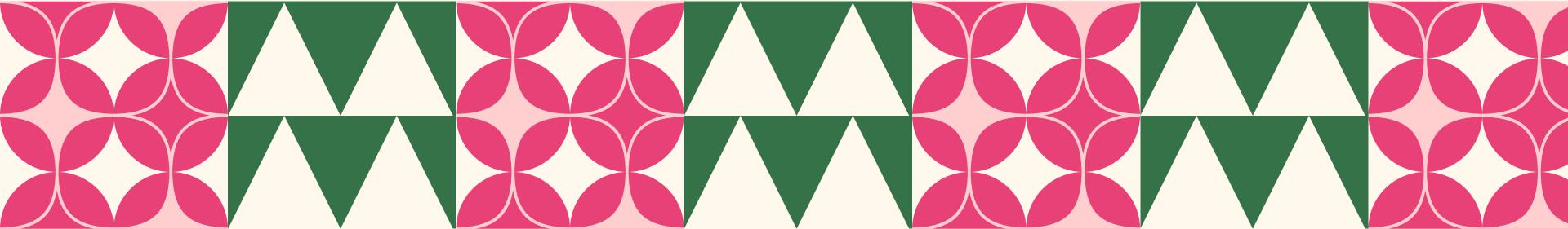


PRACTICE SPIRITUAL RITUALS THAT ARE SPECIAL AND IMPORTANT TO YOU

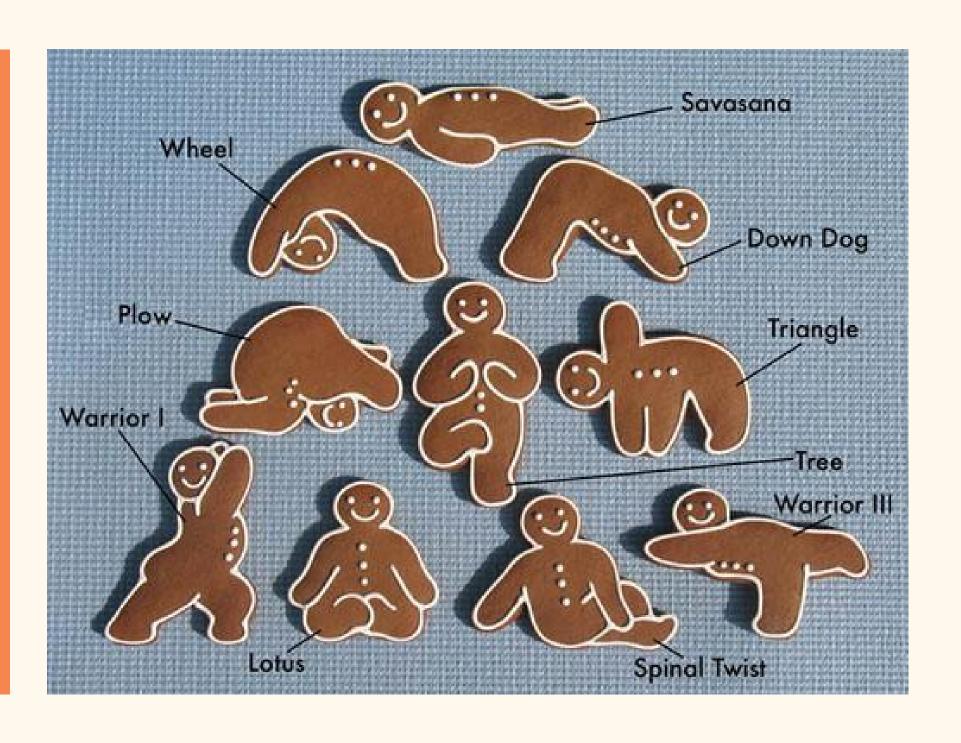
• MEDITATION, PRAYER, MINDFULNESS, BEING OUTDOORS, CHURCH OR CEREMONY, COMMUNITY EVENT

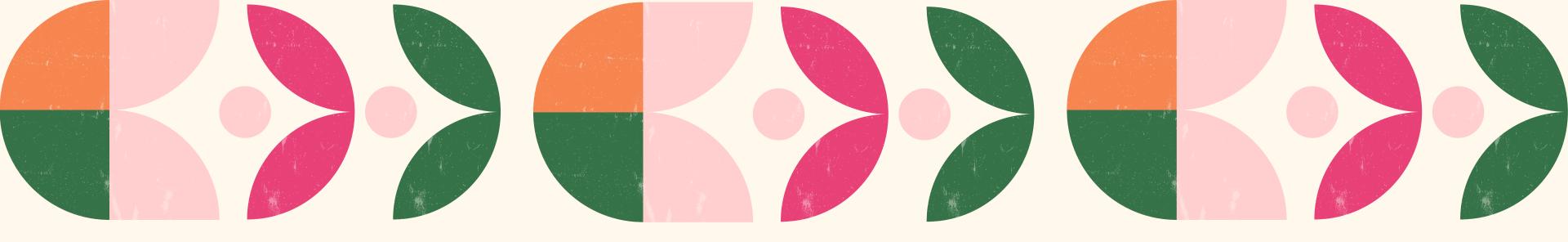


LEARN ABOUT HOW OTHER PEOPLE IN YOUR LIFE TAKE CARE OF THEIR SPIRITUAL WELLNESS



#### CHECKING IN





#### ENVIRONMENTAL WELLNESS



SPEND TIME OUTSIDE



GIVE YOUR HOME SOME ATTENTION

• DECORATE, CLEAN, ORGANIZE





#### FINANCIAL WELLNESS



FIND CREATIVE AND THRIFTY WAYS
TO GIVE GIFTS

• DIY, THRIFT SHOPS, GIFT IT FORWARD, GIVE AN EXPERIENCE



BE HONEST ABOUT WHAT FEELS RIGHT TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY



BE CONSCIOUS ABOUT SPENDING MONEY ON WHAT MATTERS

• EXPERIENCES, DONATE, FOCUS ON MEANING

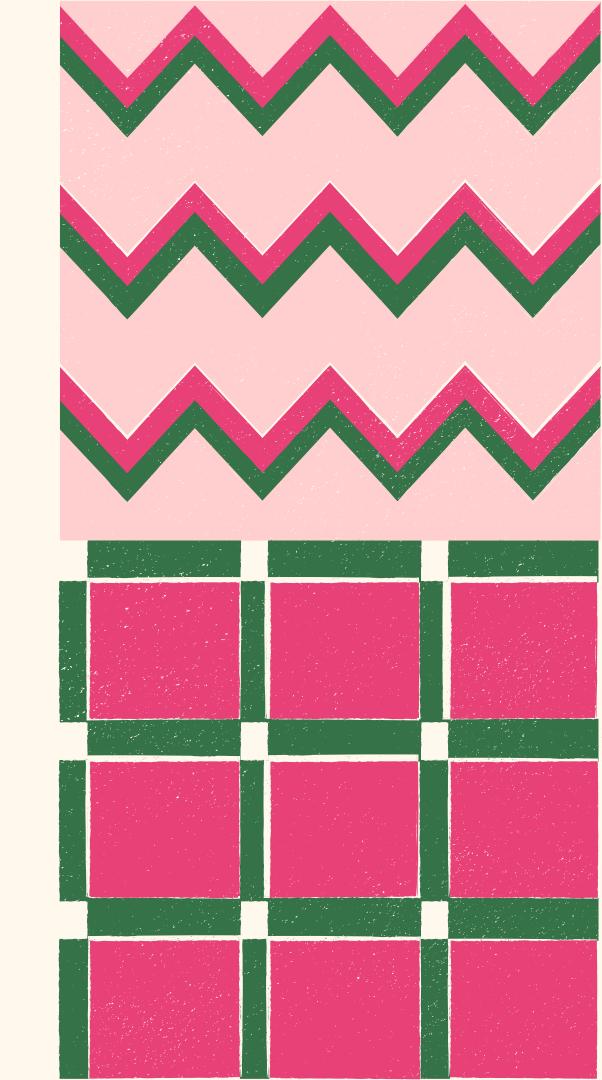
#### INTELLECTUAL WELLNESS





• HANUKKAH, 3 KINGS DAY, ST. LUCIA DAY, ST. NICHOLAS DAY, CHRISTMAS, KWANZAA, NEW YEARS, BOXING DAY





#### PHYSICAL WELLNESS



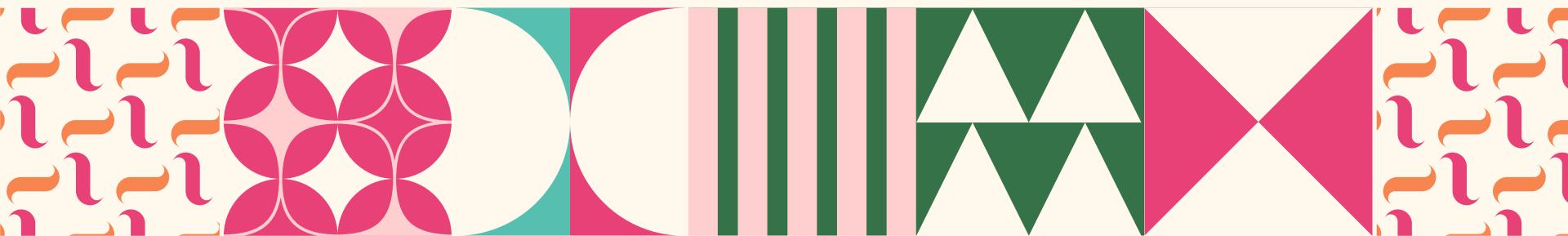
MUNCH ON WHOLE, EARTH FOODS ILE YOU ENJOY TREATS

- AND HYDRATE!

LISTEN TO YOUR BODY AND GIVE IT WHAT IT NEEDS EVERYDAY
- DOES IT NEED TO MOVE, STRETCH,

REST?

TRY TO GET 7-8 HOURS OF SLEEP AS REGULARLY AS YOU CAN



## SPECIAL SHOUTOUT TO PARENTS DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON!

KIDDOS ALSO NEED LOTS OF EXTRA LOVE, PATIENCE, AND UNDERSTANDING







IT MIGHT HELP TO...

KEEP ROUTINES WHEN YOU CAN

LET THEM HELP OUT

STATE EXPECTATIONS OFTEN

GET YOUR WIGGLES OUT TOGETHER

GIVE LOTS OF FREE PASSES



#### WHAT'S A NEW WAY YOU ARE GOING TO TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF THIS HOLIDAY SEASON?



## MAKE A COMMITMENT TO YOURSELF!

WRITE IT DOWN, TELL YOUR SUPPORTERS, LOVED ONES, AND COWORKERS

#### THANK YOU!



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