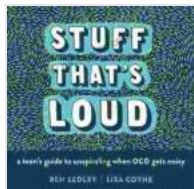


# Teen Guide To Unspiraling When OCD Gets Noisy: The Instant Help Solutions Series



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OCD (Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder) is a mental health condition that can affect teens in many ways. It can cause intrusive thoughts, compulsions, and anxiety.

Intrusive thoughts are unwanted, distressing thoughts that can pop into your head at any time. They can be about anything, but they are often related to fears or worries. Compulsions are repetitive behaviors that you feel like you have to do in order to reduce anxiety or prevent something bad from happening.

If you're a teen who is struggling with OCD, it's important to know that you're not alone. Many teens experience OCD, and there are many things

you can do to manage your symptoms and regain control of your thoughts and actions.

This guide will provide you with instant help solutions that you can use to manage OCD symptoms. These solutions are based on cognitive-behavioral therapy (CBT), mindfulness, and exposure and response prevention (ERP), which are all evidence-based treatments for OCD.

## **Instant Help Solutions for OCD**

- **Identify your triggers.** What situations or events make your OCD symptoms worse? Once you know your triggers, you can avoid them or prepare yourself for them.
- **Challenge your intrusive thoughts.** When you have an intrusive thought, don't just accept it as true. Instead, challenge it by asking yourself if there is any evidence to support the thought. Is it really likely that something bad will happen if you don't do your compulsion?
- **Practice mindfulness.** Mindfulness is the practice of paying attention to the present moment without judgment. When you practice mindfulness, you can learn to observe your thoughts and feelings without getting caught up in them.
- **Expose yourself to your fears.** One of the best ways to overcome OCD is to expose yourself to the things that you fear. This can be done gradually, starting with small exposures and working your way up to larger exposures over time.
- **Prevent your compulsions.** When you feel the urge to do a compulsion, try to resist it. The more you resist, the weaker the urge will become.

## Additional Tips for Teens with OCD

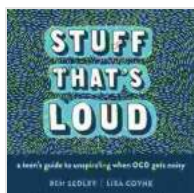
- Talk to a trusted adult about your OCD. This could be a parent, teacher, counselor, or therapist.
- Join a support group for teens with OCD. This can be a great way to connect with other teens who understand what you're going through.
- Learn about OCD and how to manage it. There are many resources available online and in libraries.
- Be patient with yourself. It takes time to learn how to manage OCD. Don't get discouraged if you have setbacks. Just keep practicing and you will eventually reach your goals.

Remember, you are not alone. Many teens experience OCD, and there are many things you can do to manage your symptoms and regain control of your thoughts and actions.

If you are struggling with OCD, please reach out for help. There are many resources available to you, and you don't have to go through this alone.

## Recommended Resources

- International OCD Foundation
- Anxiety and Depression Association of America
- National Institute of Mental Health

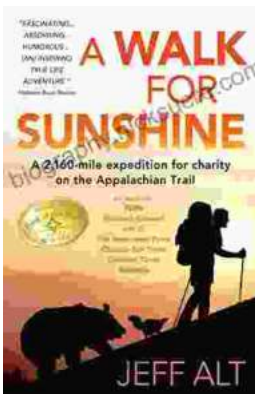


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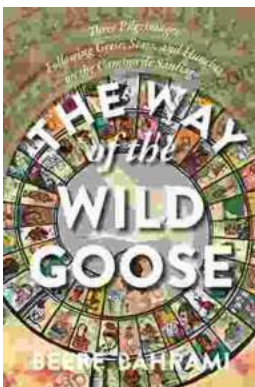
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