

2 MINUTES OF MINDFUL BREATHING

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"Let's begin by taking a moment to allow your body to settle in a comfortable position. You can close your eyes or look downward just to limit visual distractions. See if you can soften around any areas of physical tightness or tension. Maybe that means dropping your shoulders, wiggling your fingers, loosening your jaw, softening the muscles around the eyes, and relaxing the belly.

Noticing where your body touches the ground or the chair. What does it feel like to have your body on the ground, the weight of gravity pulling you down to whatever you're touching? We're simply grounding our energy throughout our body, bringing awareness to simply what it feels like to be living in this body right now ... feeling the points of contact, just noticing any energies within the body and inviting a sense of ease and relaxation.

And so today's primary practice will be mindfulness of breathing, simply bringing awareness to what it feels like physically to be breathing, without judging anything to be good or bad, right or wrong, simply being curious about what it feels like to be inhaling, exhaling, and to have that pause in between the exhale and the inhale.

So with a soft belly and an open mind I invite you to inhale through the nose, and exhale through the mouth, noticing the pause in between the exhale, and then noticing the beginning of next inhale, and exhale, just relaxing the body.

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Breathing with a sense of ease, following its natural rhythm, noticing the air as it moves through the nostrils ... feeling the air as it goes out through the mouth ... noticing what it feels like to have the air moved through the nostrils ... and the mouth.

You might notice the belly rising and falling with each inhale and each exhale, breathing with a sense of ease and curiosity ... sensing into each breath ... feeling the movements, the temperatures ... staying with the sensations in each moment, the sense of kindness and ease ... breathing in and out, feeling it without judging anything to be good or bad, right or wrong.

Staying with this for as long as you'd like."



ABOUT SEAN FARGO

Sean Fargo has been teaching mindfulness and creating guided meditation programs for many years in the USA, China, Thailand and Singapore. He is a certified instructor for Search Inside Yourself Leadership Institute and has guided meditations for corporations such as Reddit, PG&E, DocuSign and Singtel.

He is the Founder of Mindfulness Exercises, the world's top mindfulness resource, ranked for offering more than 1,500 free mindfulness talks, meditations, worksheets and more. Sean currently runs an online mindfulness teacher certification program, training mindfulness teachers on deepening their meditation, emotional intelligence, and



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Practiced as a Buddhist monk for 2 years and trained by pre-eminent meditation leaders, Sean carries forth his lineage by adapting timeless meditative traditions to contemporary life challenges.

Sean's trainings are experiential, fun and engaging. He eloquently presents techniques that are practical, down to earth and innovative. Drawing from a range of mindfulness and meditation methods, he's responsive to his audience and tailors each presentation to their needs.

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