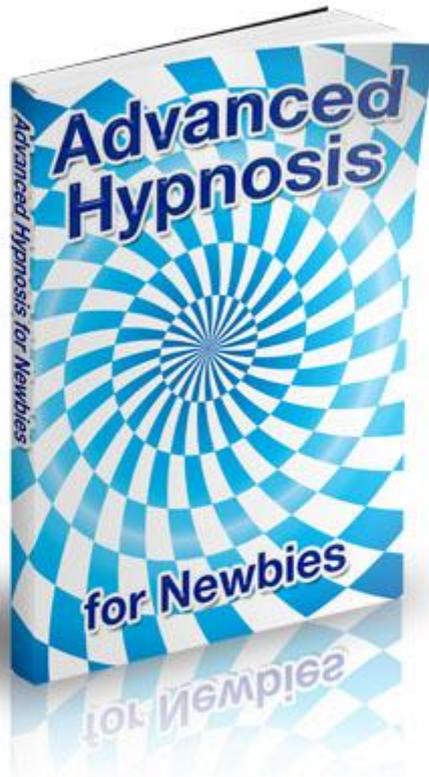


Advanced Hypnosis

an Introduction for Newbies



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What is Hypnosis?

For anyone concerned that this is a report designed to teach readers how to convince crowds of people to act like chickens or dance to an unheard song just with a carefully placed keyword - relax. While hypnosis is often paraded in that form with large crowds visiting celebrity hypnosis experts to see what wonders they can perform, the majority of hypnosis used is to aid people seeking a solution to a problem they cannot resolve easily with any other method.

What Hypnosis is NOT

Like many things that have become popularized by celebrity, there are a few misconceptions about self hypnosis that are good to clear up at the start. Before we look at what self hypnosis IS, let's look at what it is NOT

Self hypnosis doesn't mean you are allowing someone to control your mind with a soundtrack. No one is able to control our minds. What it does do is help us solve our own problems and answer our own questions. Trust your own strength and power and know your mind isn't going to let just anyone take over!

Hypnosis isn't sleeping. While you move in and out of a hypnotic state as you fall asleep or wake up, hypnosis is that time between wakefulness and sleeping. That lovely relaxed state that drifts you between conscious and unconscious thought. You may sometimes fall asleep during or after a meditation, but that is because you relax. Falling asleep during hypnosis often indicates the level of stress you are under - that you are having trouble relaxing on a long term basis, and the hypnosis-induced sleep is simply your body telling you that you are sleep-deprived and need to catch-up on sleep.

Hypnosis doesn't make the bad things go away. If you've been heavily hurt or abused it won't make the memories go away. What it can do is rearrange your filing system a little. It can put those bad thought patterns and memories in a place where they don't pop out every time you open your mind's storage cupboard. Instead it parks it somewhere at the back of the highest shelf and puts the good thinking in the shelves within easy reach. It's a little like the way your mother may have put the cookie jar at the top of the fridge when you were a kid - you just couldn't get to it unless you put a pile of effort into it. The best thing about hypnosis is the cookie jar might have some mouldy old bread in it, but the hypnosis puts some sweet and tasty good feelings within easy reach. You are far more likely to access the good bits before any of that bad stuff comes flooding back.

Hypnosis can't make you do something you don't want to. Your mind is far stronger than we give it credit for. We can't be made to act or believe something we do not want to believe. This is also why some people may find self hypnosis doesn't have the expected result they were planning on. Before you begin any self hypnosis course, think about whether the new thinking patterns you are working towards are actually what you want to believe and change. For instance, some people say they want to give up smoking, but because they love the social side of standing with other smokers, or the way it makes them more relaxed in social situations, they don't really want to let it go. It's important to find what it is you actually want to adapt, change and replace before you start for maximum effectiveness.

It's Something You Already Do!

If you are currently struggling to keep focused on goals, give up an addictive craving or want to achieve some heady goals then learning the basics of hypnotic suggestion maybe an excellent solution. The techniques used in self hypnosis are used by high performance athletes, successful moves and shakers in business and people wanting to give up smoking or stop raiding the cookie jar the world over.

Self hypnosis or autosuggestion is something we actually do all the time. We just may not realise it. Our mind is a powerful thing. Try the following exercise to see how powerful your mind is. (You may want to read it to the end and then close your eyes if that is easier)

The Juicy Orange

Imagine you have an orange in your hand. Think about how round and firm it is, and how juicy it is inside. It's been freshly picked, and has a lovely deep orange colour all over it.

Now hold out that hand and spend time imagining how it feels in your hand. Take that orange and place it down on a cutting board.

Take an imagined knife and slice that orange in half, and then half again

Pick up one of the segments. Feel the cool juices from the orange drip down your fingers as you lift the piece to you mouth. Open your mouth and put the orange inside, biting down on the flesh and letting the juice run down your tongue.

Think about how it tastes, the sweetness of the citrus juice in your mouth.

What This Exercise Does

Nearly everyone who does this exercise experiences something quite extraordinary. The taste buds in their mouths are stimulated, and their mouth produces saliva to help the body digest the orange- even though it isn't real.

Why does this happen? Because the thoughts we hold in our mind have the power to make physiological changes to our body. Our thoughts can change the way we work, think and behave. If a simple exercise imagining eating an orange can make your mouth get read for actually eating it, imagine how effective changing other behaviours can be by repeating a simple idea or creating a powerful visualization.

Even if you have never consciously explored self hypnosis before you will have at times tried to talk yourself into something. Repeating an idea or belief over and over again can help us internalize the idea until it becomes a natural part of us. Many of us do this without calling it self hypnosis. Feeling a little down all the time? Perhaps your self talk has some of the following phrases “I’m no good” or “I can’t do this”

There is a children’s story about The Little Engine That Could. It is about a little train who is able to pull a weight that is heavier than it is built to pull simply though its belief in itself. As it pulls the load behind it, the Little Engine cries “I think I can. I think I can.” And the Little Engine can.

Self hypnosis helps those things that you struggle against become more straightforward and attainable. It’s not about bending the laws of physics, allowing you to fly or have superpowers, but it is all about tapping into the tremendous power of your mind and utilising it to its fullest capacity.

Is Hypnosis a Mainstream Concept?

If you are considering hypnosis but worry that it may be taking you on the long slow road to hippy skirts and backpacking through India in search of your Guru you can relax.

Many high performance athletes and sports people use self hypnosis to break through fears, keep themselves focused and improve their performance. It has been found to help those athletes who have been injured to heal faster and stronger using self hypnosis techniques.

Many of these athletes use mantras or short simple phrases coming to of their hypnosis sessions to push them through their pain barriers, or keep them focused when all they really want to do is stop and rest.

Business owners and entrepreneurs use hypnosis to stay focused in work and as a start off point to increase creativity and brainstorming. With many of us allowing our fears to curtail the “what could be” in our lives, finding a way to break through that, replacing those fears with positive statements instead can help greatly in business.

Addictive behaviour can also be helped with self hypnosis techniques. Smokers, dieters, and those wanting to reduce time with anything disrupting everyday life and success can find these tools can reprogram their patterns. If you have a major addiction however, it is a good idea to seek medical help, using the hypnosis as only part of the whole method.

Chronic illness can also be helped with hypnosis. TO give an idea of the power of thought, a study of patients with Cystic Fibrosis, a genetic condition that is incurable, found that hypnotherapy was able to improve their health, helping them to breathe easier (this condition fills the lungs with liquid),

reducing anxiety and improves the ability to clear the lungs without needing to cough chronically.

Cancer patients have long used self hypnosis as part of their battle against their illness. Being able to visualize their body healing itself and being victorious not only have been shown to be effective in helping the healing process, but has reduced the anxiety attached to the illness considerably. The hypnosis helps people with chronic illness take charge of their body- when often the illness and the related treatments can make you feel as though you have to let go of your own decision making and no longer have any control over it. That alone makes it a worthwhile tool.

Mental health struggles with things such as panic attacks, depression and self harm can also be helped with hypnotherapy. Again, if you are very depressed or struggling with self harm in such a way that you are endangering your life or the people around you, it is important to use hypnosis in conjunction with professional advice and treatment. However learning to use the simple but effective breathing and mantra repetition techniques can help you pre-empt episodes before you lose control, or help you reconfigure your thought patterns so any negative behaviour is reduced.

Many doctors, health professionals, trainers and advisors recommend hypnosis as an excellent tool. Using it in your own life is an excellent way to achieve your own personal goals. With so many people before you have found it an excellent tool to solve their own issues, you can be assured you are using something that really does work and is considered useful.

How Does Hypnosis Work?

We have two parts of our mind: the conscious and the subconscious. Our conscious mind is the part of our mind we need to analyze and rationalize.

It is able to only do one thing at a time, and it has a working or short term memory perfect for remembering that telephone number someone gives you just before you dial it, or the fact you got up from the sofa to make a cup of tea when get to the kitchen. It's the part of our mind that is talking to us all ay long, sometimes with an ongoing chatter that never stops. It helps us solve problems and is able to make sense of any behaviour we see or experience.

Our subconscious mind is busy all the time too. It is in charge of all the autonomic parts of our body. These are the parts that we need to stay alive, such as a regular heart rate, stable blood pressure and our breathing. It also holds our creative parts, our emotions, our imagination and all our feelings and emotions. Our permanent memories are all stored in our subconscious too. All the things you believe and live by come form what is stored in your subconscious. When you respond to something with any emotion or a smell or action evokes a memory, that's coming from something stored in your subconscious.

Your subconscious self can sometimes get a little drowned out with all the chattering your conscious mind does during the day. Self hypnosis helps that conscious mind quieten down enough so you can get some important information to your

subconscious. It's a time when positive suggestions can be placed into your subconscious.

In many ways your subconscious is like a computer. Self hypnosis reprograms your subconscious and then reboots, saving all the new information there for it to use when you awaken from your relaxed state. Because many of our actions stem from our emotions and feelings, changing these affects the way we act and react in different situations.

If you think you've never been hypnotized before think again. You enter a hypnotic state at least twice as day as you go to sleep and then awaken. Studies have shown one of the best ways to learn a skill is to sleep on it. It allows the sub conscious save all the material into your memory banks where it stays ready to use again.

A hypnotic state can happen naturally when you are relaxed. If you've ever been driving and suddenly realized you are almost at your destination but are a little unsure of how you got there, then you've been accessing your subconscious state. Book lovers may know the feeling of becoming so immersed in a good book they don't hear someone talking to them. That's you moving into a state of hypnosis.

Sometimes stress or environment can prevent us to stilling ourselves enough to teach our subconscious to think positive thoughts. Negative self talk playing in our subconscious can prevent us from losing that weight, giving up smoking or feeling confident when walking into a business meeting.

Using self hypnosis tools can provide our subconscious with new and fresh positive thoughts and phrases that replace or override negative ones. As these become our chief thoughts, they affect our reactions and behaviour and positive changes begin to occur in our lives. The best part is, as it is driven from our sub conscious, we don't have to utilise that willpower or reason to get there- we just let our subconscious lead us instead.

Who Shouldn't use Self-Hypnosis?

You can use self hypnosis to help you across a range of different areas. We've already talked briefly about how many people use it, but how can that apply to you?

Hypnosis isn't for everyone. If you have always felt very nervous about trying it or are convinced it's all a waste of time, it's not going to be very effective. Some people find it hard to become relaxed enough to get to a stage where they are taken deep enough into a quiet state

If that could be you, then before you even start self hypnosis practice having moments of peace and quiet. Perhaps go on a walk every day without putting on your mp3 player or taking a cell phone or a friend and enjoying the thoughts in your head stop, or try to spend five to ten minutes a day doing nothing but sit quietly. If that is a struggle, relaxing for a self hypnosis session may prove difficult.

Once that quiet space feels a little easier to get to you can progress to a positive self hypnosis session. For the new ideas to become well embedded inside your mind, the deeper your level of relaxation the better.

If you have a full chaotic life, consider if you have the time to put into it. Regular sessions are better than one or two every now and again.

If that all sounds a little off putting it doesn't need to be. You'll know when you are ready. If you start and it feels all too stressful take a week or so to break then try again.

However, there is one important factor in meeting up with difficulties. Our mind and our bodies like everything to stay the same. The old saying "creatures of habit" is one that perfectly

describes all of us. We will do almost anything to stay the same even if the “same” isn’t what is best for us. It’s one of the reasons so many diets fail. Make big changes all at once and your body starts to protest. It gets scared that it is starting to make changes too fast and won’t be able to cope with it.

So if you begin a course of self hypnosis and find you meet up with a few speed bumps- don’t worry. All it really is your body and mind readjusting themselves to the new information. The only reason you should stop is if it is leading you into damaging behaviour or making matters worse for more than a few days.

One of pluses of self hypnosis is it is something you can do no matter your current physical state. Whereas yoga and tai chi can also help you move into a relaxed state, there can be times in your life where that type of movement is not either practical or possible.

The vast majority of people find that the whole journey to new thoughts and actions is pleasantly gentle, encouraging and well worth it. If you want to give it a try, then do, and find out if it suits your needs, your lifestyle and your goals.

What is Self-Hypnosis Suitable For?

Now we've gone through the list of people who might find it difficult, let's take a look at the type of needs people have used self hypnosis to conquer. These are all common areas that have been found to benefit from self hypnosis techniques and sessions and cover a broad range of areas from business, to health and fitness to relationships

Quitting Smoking

Self hypnosis can be extremely effective in kicking the smoking habit. It teaches you to find the taste of smoking unpleasurable and reminds your self conscious state to look after and nourish your body with things that are only beneficial. It can also drastically cut down the amount of cravings and help you become smoke free forever.

Sleeping Better

If you can't sleep it may be you need to learn how to move from conscious to unconscious using your sub conscious. Confused? Basically you might need to learn some effective relaxation tools to get those sleep patterns kick started and working again. With the stress many of us carry, it is easy to get caught up into patterns of regular wakefulness, finding it harder to settle once night time comes. Self hypnosis is ideal for sleep pattern disruptions as the ideal time to try self hypnosis is just before bed. You'll be all relaxed and ready for sleep when the lights go out.

Improving Sales Performance

Sales people have been using self hypnosis to help sell for a long time- both for their own goal setting and applying what they know to their prospects. Getting subliminal selling working for you and you'll reap huge rewards

Developing Your Career

Is there something stopping you from being where you want to be in your career? While many people blame circumstances, we all can think of at least one person who has risen beyond circumstance and surpassed it all. You could be that person with a little help from self hypnosis. Changing the way you think, changes the way you act.

Losing Weight

While it used to be felt that willpower was all people needed to lose weight, science and nutrition research has discovered will power is not ever going to be enough. Our bodies will fight any attempt of the conscious mind trying to control our digestion, and energy levels as those are domain of the subconscious.

Add on the need to sort out emotional eating issues, or eating when stress levels are high due to high levels of cortisone and it begins to become clear that losing weight is far more complex than just ensuring you don't buy a pie or three for dinner.

Self hypnosis can give help you change your relationship with food and eating. It can help break the cycle of negative eating, and reduce food cravings and addictions

Self Confidence

If you've worried about how people see you, or feel your sense of self has been damaged over the years, and then your self confidence could maybe do with a bit of care. Self hypnosis helps you accentuate the positive parts of yourself and build on them. It helps to still the fear that can rise up in places that you don't feel so confident such as parties where you don't know many people, on dates or during a job interview

A lack of self confidence can cripple your ability to function as a successful and happy person. Focusing on establishing a sound level of confidence through self hypnosis can also impact huge areas of your life.

Many people have found this is an ongoing battle until they begin to be treated differently. Once people start to react positively to their change on confidence, smiling at them, and reacting in a good way, the change becomes easier and the positive feedback received builds on the foundation you've already begun, it becomes easier and easier until it isn't an issue anymore.

Improving Your Memory

Your long term memory is controlled by your subconscious self. Helping your mind make connections between materials or file it in the correct place can greatly enhance your memory skills. There is several popular self hypnosis tools that can help you improve your ability to file old and new information so it's easier to locate on tap.

Studies with people who suffer from Alzheimer's have found people who continue to stimulate their brains can sometimes reduce the effects of the disease. Self hypnosis can still your mind enough to learn new skills.

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