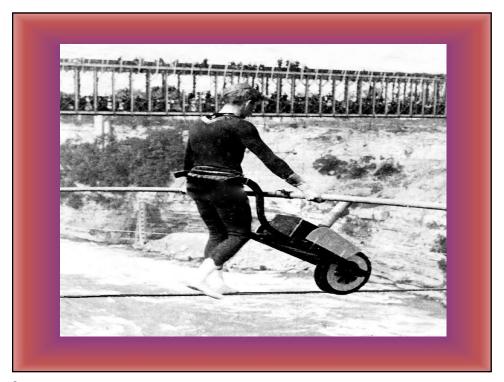
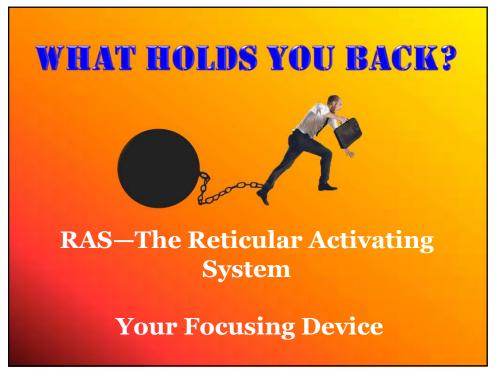
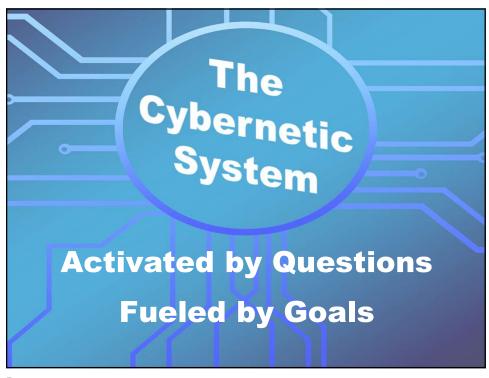


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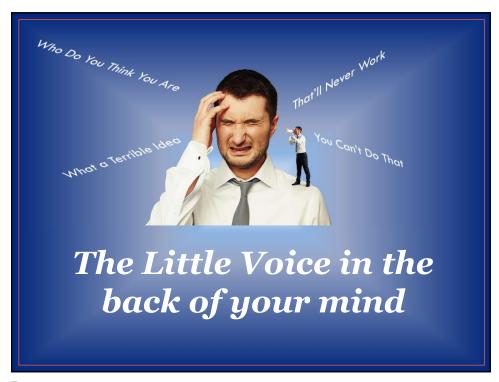


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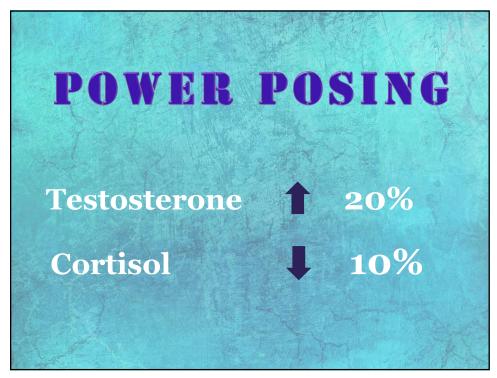


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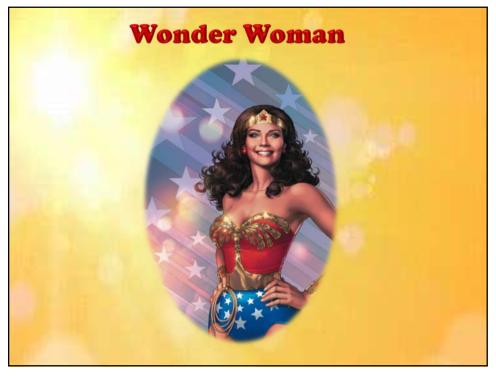




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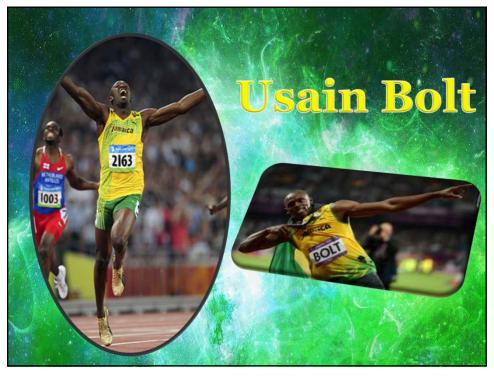


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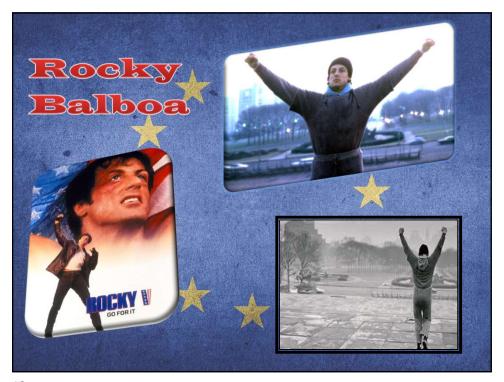


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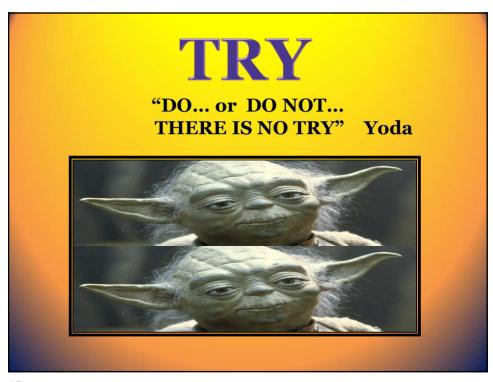


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PHYSICAL MANIFESTATIONS OF THE STRESS RESPONSE (The fight or flight syndrome)

What happens to us when we get angry, frightened, frustrated or too anxious?

- Increased heart rate not good, leads to feelings of uneasiness.
- Increased blood pressure same as the above.
- Increased muscle tension robs you of some of your quickness, speeds up fatigue.
- Increased blood flow to large muscle groups only positive factor.
- Increased perspiration the body is trying to cool itself.
- · Blood flow is reduced to the hands and feet.

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Digestion halts - blood flow to stomach area greatly reduced, in extreme conditions, stomach evacuates itself (vomiting).

Breathing becomes quick and shallow - decreases supply of oxygen to the brain and muscles, quickens rate of mental and physical fatigue.

Toxic focus - we focus very tightly on the person and/or event that triggered the response and will remain so until we regain control. We lose perspective; we forget our goals and our jobs. We can make mistakes we might not otherwise commit. We can get real stupid.

Remember H.A.L.T.S. These conditions rob us of our resolve.

Don't allow yourself to get too:

- HUNGRY watch blood sugar levels, drink plenty of water.
- ANGRY
- LONELY -poor personal relationships detract from our performance.
- TIRED proper rest and conditioning are mandatory.
- **SURPRISED** Don't be caught off guard by situations you could have predicted. Use visualization if necessary to practice a better response to common occurrences with which you are not presently dealing with well.

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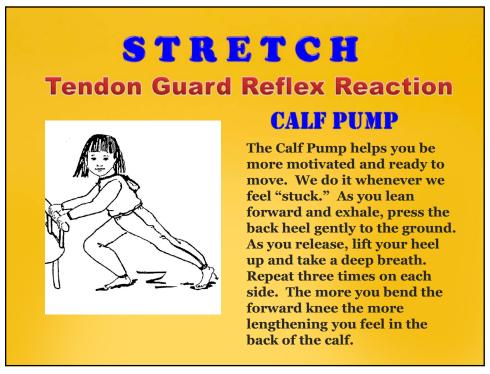


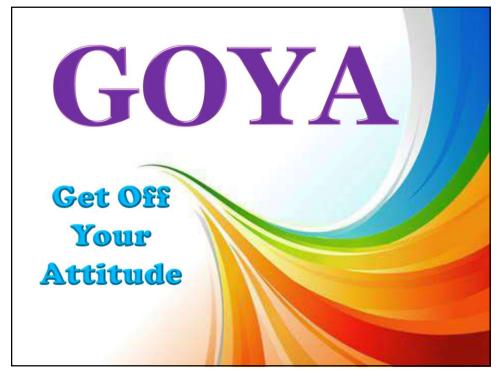
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