

Focus Without Burnout

Harness NLP strategies to stay sharp, energised, and effective

Why Focus Fails

- The brain isn't wired to run on endless willpower.
- Over-focus → tension, fatigue, mistakes.
- Under-focus → procrastination, distraction.
- The sweet spot is flexible focus: knowing when to zoom in and when to release.

3 NLP Strategies for Sustainable Focus

- 1. State Anchoring for Energy
 - Recall a time you felt fully alert. Anchor that state with a gesture or word.
 - Use it to "switch on" when you need clarity.
- 2. Chunking for Clarity
 - Big task? Break into smaller, doable pieces.
 - "Instead of finishing the book, just write the next page."
- 3. Perceptual Shifts
 - If you feel stuck, change perspective.
 - Ask: "How would this look if I stepped back?" or "What would future-me thank me for doing first?"

Applied Example (Entrepreneur with overload)

Instead of "I have 20 things to do," → reframe into:

- Anchor an energy state,
- Chunk down to "3 priorities for today,"
- Step into future position: "Which of these moves my goal forward fastest?"

Try It Yourself

In your next workday:

- Anchor your best focus state before a task.
- Chunk a big project into 3 steps.
- Use one perceptual shift question when you feel stress rising.

Next Step

Focus is fuel. Protect it, train it, and you'll achieve more with less strain.

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