

The festive period can bring complex emotions for many - from feeling overwhelmed to feeling pure joy. But for some people, the more difficult emotions and pressures that Christmas brings can be hard to manage. It's important that we all look after our mental health at this time.

Inside this pack contains 12 different Well-Being activities to explore over the holiday season.









21st-Day One I'm Feeling- Communication post its

How it works-

- Read through the options and tick what feels right for you each time of day/week has different choices
- Then try to leave this where someone at home can see
- This will help someone at home support you you can even write how you best feel you could be supported so they know
- This may help you talk to someone without having to 'talk'
- If you don't feel ready to share, practice this activity as private journalling/daily tracking and work up from there!



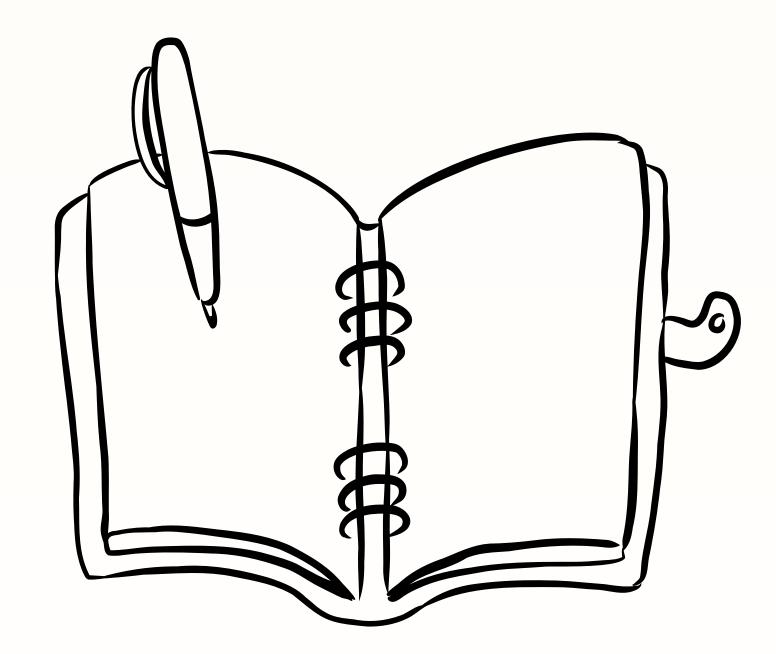


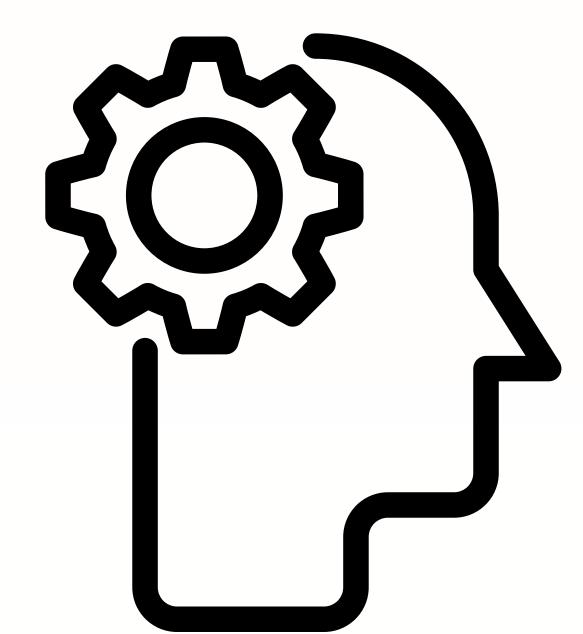
When I woke up I felt:

- Ready for the day
- Nervous for the day
- Sad and down, not ready to face the day
- Like I might need someone to talk to when I'm home
- Excited for the day ahead, I have things to look forward too
- Really tired, I didn't sleep well

My day today was:

- A little tough I need a bit of chill time and support
- Really good
- Good, I did something I was proud of today
- I enjoyed it, but I am tired
- Super stressful, I need support
- Really not good, I need space
- Average, not great not awful, I might just need a little chat





This week:

- Has been better than I thought
 Rough, I may want to chat when you are free
 Better than last week thank you for your
- support
- I may need more support next week, I found this week hard
- I feel positive about it



22nd-Day Two Mindfulness Activity

MINDFULNESS ACTIVITY – HELPFUL WITH OVERWHELM OR WHEN UNABLE TO SLEEP

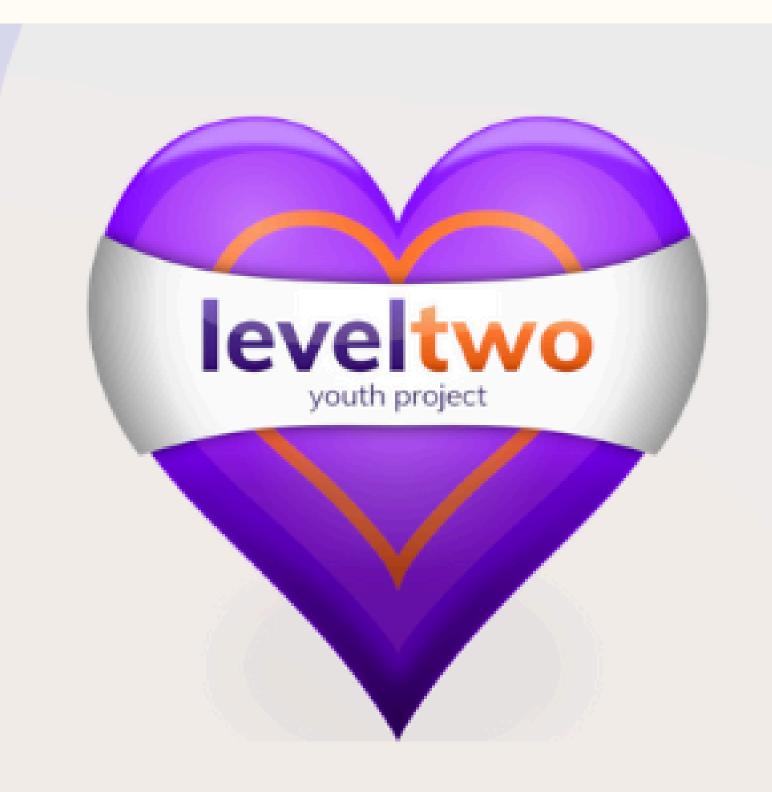
Can be done sitting or lying down
Notice your breathing; is fast or slow? Does
it have a rhythm?

Be aware of the temperature of the air entering through your nose

See if you can remember a favourite smell..

Close your eyes and imagine you can smell that special aroma for 5 inhales & exhales

Notice your breathing again – our sense of smell connects to the limbic system in the brain and can be calming to the nervous system.



22nd-Day Two











23rd-Day Three Explore the senses

Use today to explore one of the senses- hearing, vision, smell, touch and taste. This can be repeated to explore different senses.

Hearing

Listen to your favourite music or a piece of music you have never heard. Listen to a podcast.

Go outside and make a note of all the different sounds you can hear.

Vision

Watch a movie or TV show you have never seen before.

Go on an art gallery website or look at an illustrated book to see different images. Go on a walk or drive to see christmas lights.

Smell

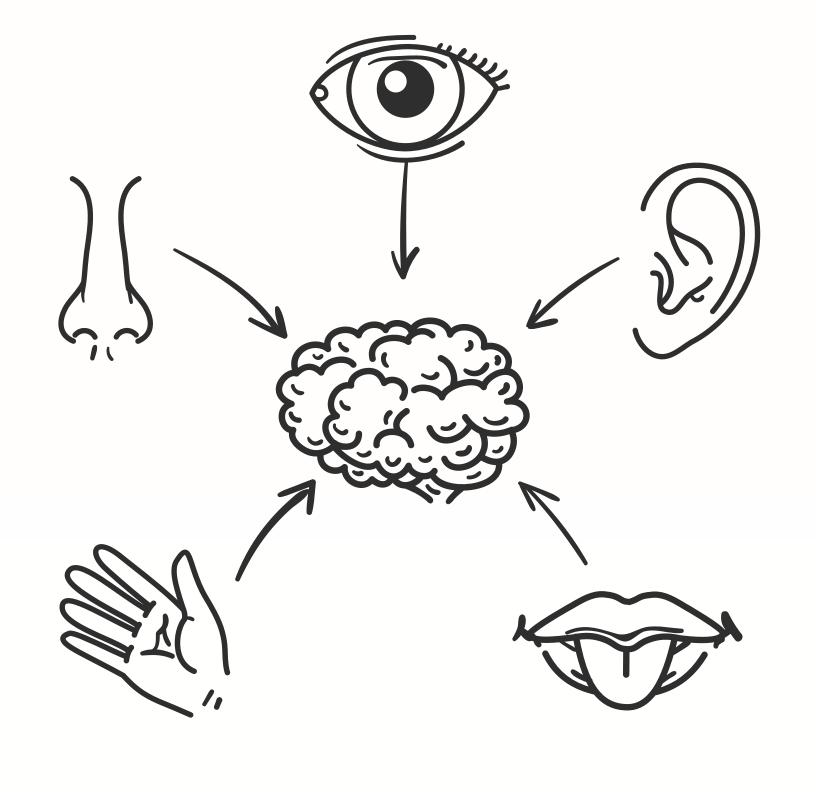
Bake something and notice the smell whilst cooking.

Get out different herbs and spices, smell them comparing their different scents. Light a scented candle and relax in the calm.

Touch

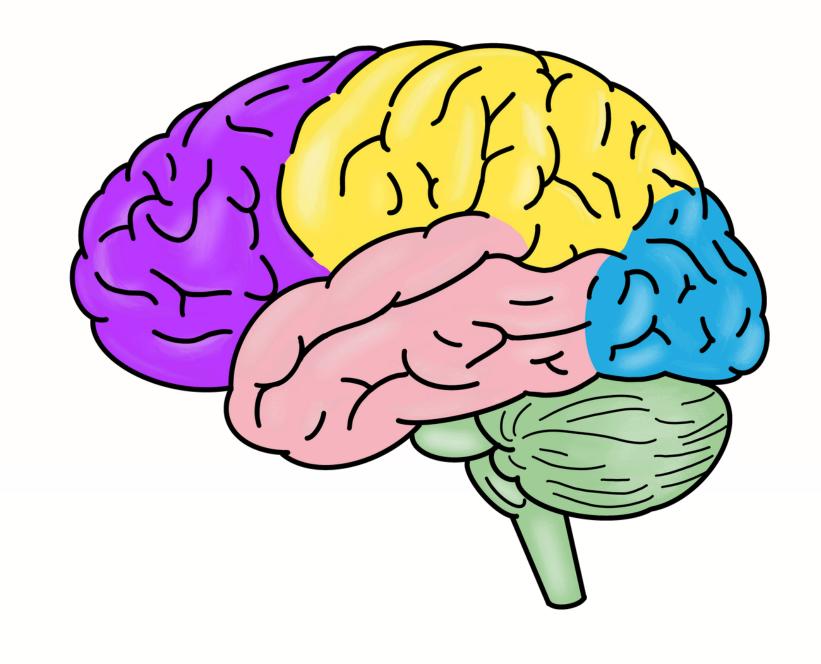
Wrap up in a cosy blanket and notice the feeling of the material, is it soft or fluffy? Go outside and feel different textures of nature, leaves, grass, sticks.

Give yourself a hand massage.



Eat something you have never tried before.

Try something sour, bitter, salty or sweet. Take time whilst you eat and notice the different tastes.





Rest and Relaxation

Listen to music
Take a timeout
Bath/shower
Take a nap
Watch favourite movie
Read book/magazine

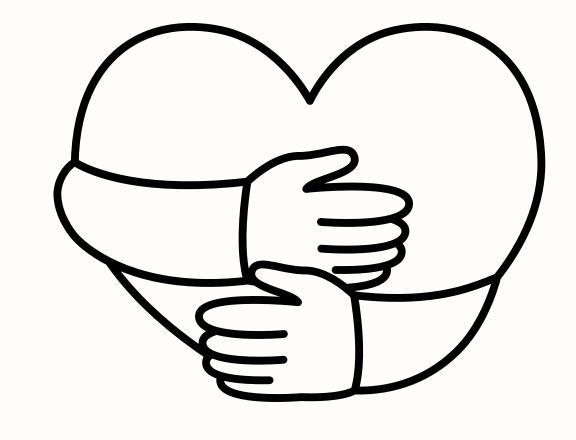


Companionship

Call, text or video call a friend Write letter Spend time with a friend or loved one

Expression

Free write Draw/Paint Gardening Sing/Dance Other Hobbies



Health and Spirituality

Make a Healthy snack Practise Yoga Go for a walk/run Meditate/Pray Affirmations







25th-Day Five

Take a break-

Sometimes we need to take a break from the festivities and that's okay. Take a walk, take a nap or leave a tense situation. Some situations we cannot avoid but we do have power about how we deal with the negativity and stress.

Things you could try-

Apps like 'Headspace', 'Calm', 'Smiling Mind' and 'Insight Timer' are great to begin calming the mind with. Sit comfortably, eyes averted downwards or closed, slow the breath, relax the muscles and focus on [a] your breath or [b] the guided meditation.





Alarm set for a 20-30 min afternoon nap? Naps enhance alertness & concentration, elevate mood, and sharpen motor skills.







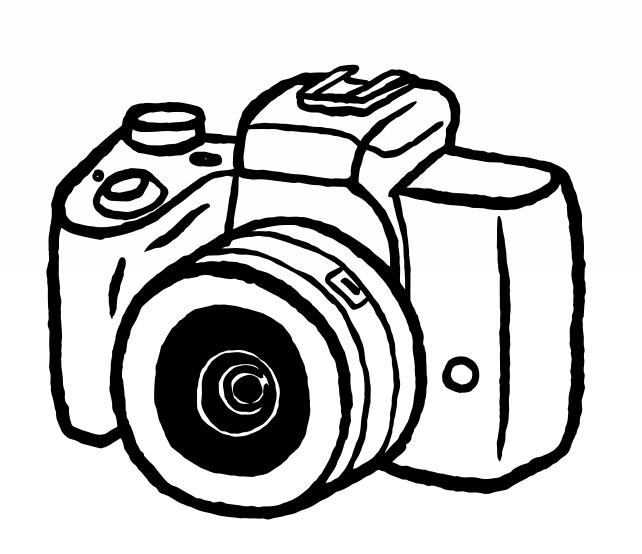
Get Outside-

Get out of the house, breathe in the fresh air, move the body and look around. Can be done solo, with someone or calling a loved one.

Photo Challenge

Whilst outside see if you find the below and take pictures of them. We'd love to see them in January.

Something green
Christmas lights
An animal
Shop Window
Christmas Tree
Traffic light
A poster advertising something
Something that made you laugh or smile







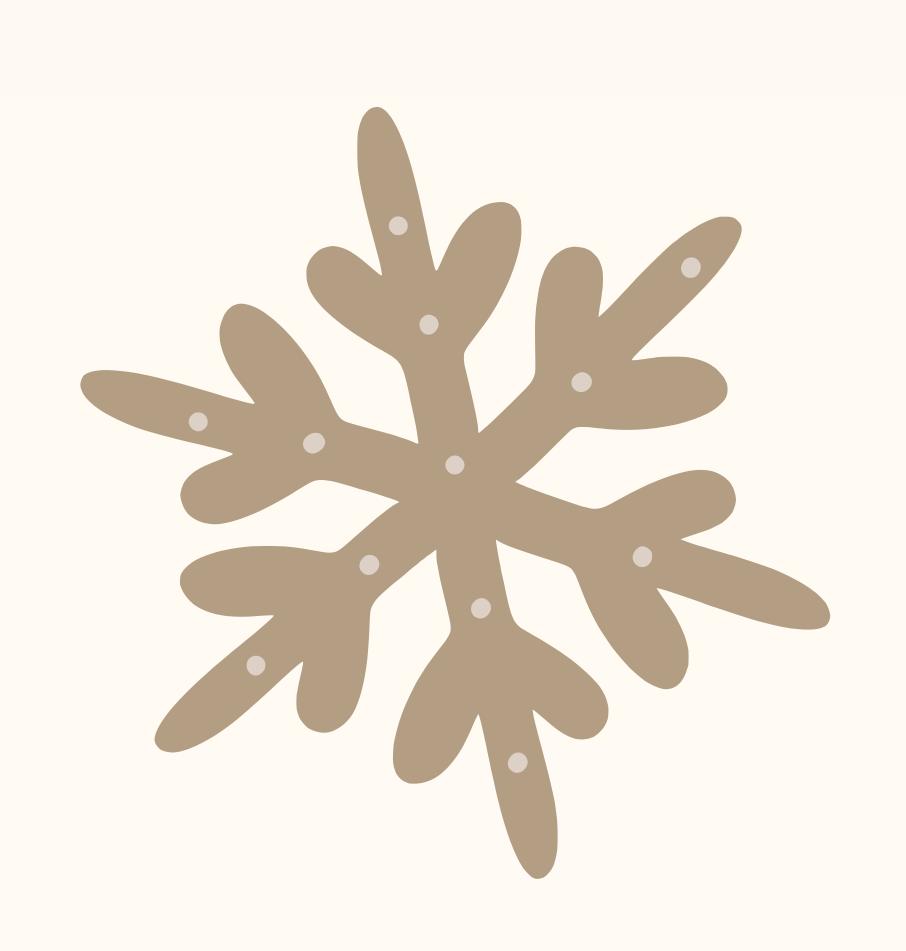


27th-Day Seven

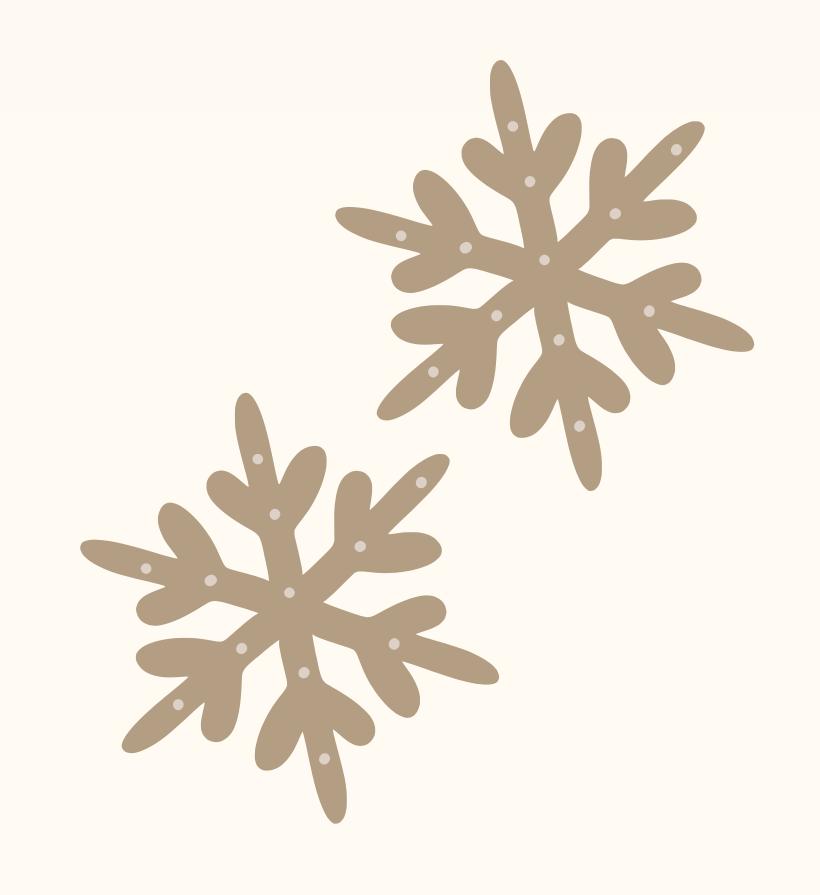
Letting Go-

What are some anxious thoughts that would be helpful to let go of. You could write these down on your phone notes or on a piece of paper. You could then decide to get rid of the piece of paper or phone note as if you were removing them from your mind.









28th-Day Eight

Journalling Prompts-

It can be helpful to start or end the day thinking about what we are grateful for and reflecting on the day. These could be written in a journal or on your phone.

Morning Journal Prompts

List five things you are grateful for How did you sleep?
What are you hoping today will be like?



Evening Journal Prompts

Today I was proud of myself for? List 5 things Today something I struggled with was? Something kind I have done for myself today was?

I am proud of myself for today because? I am thankful for?

End of the week Journal Prompts

This week I did? List 5 things
I enjoyed doing...
I found these things tricky...
I may need help on...
List 5 things you achieved no matter how big or small





Moving your body-

How strong can you get your blood pumping endorphins in 1 minute? Have a solo dance party in the bathroom, do chair yoga or, if you're feeling super sluggish, do star jumps or burpees!













Take a moment to think or write about the below.

If you could summarize this year in 3 words which words would you use & why?

What do you wish you had done differently this year?

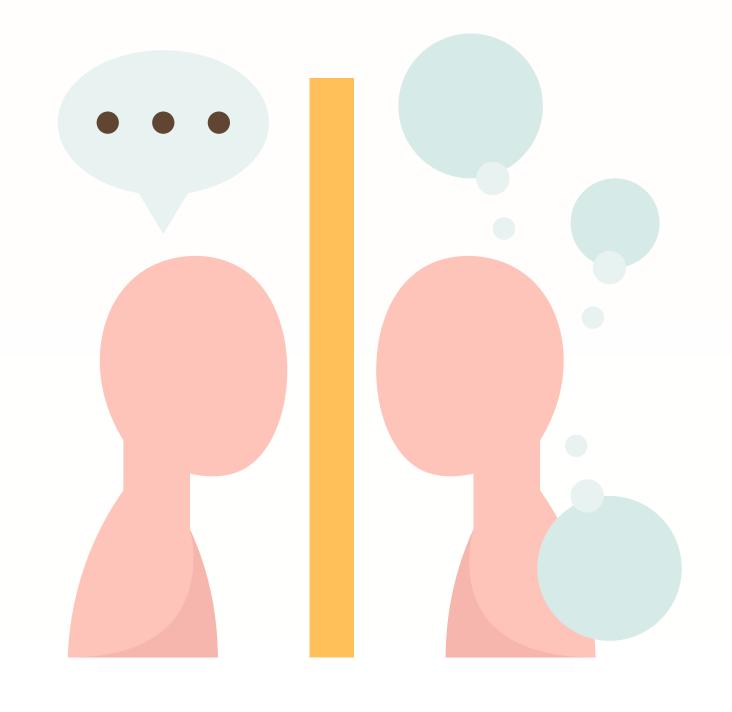
What are you proud of this year?

Who made the biggest impact on you this year?

What was the biggest lesson you learned this year?

How have you changed since the beginning of this year?

How does this time of year make you feel and why?







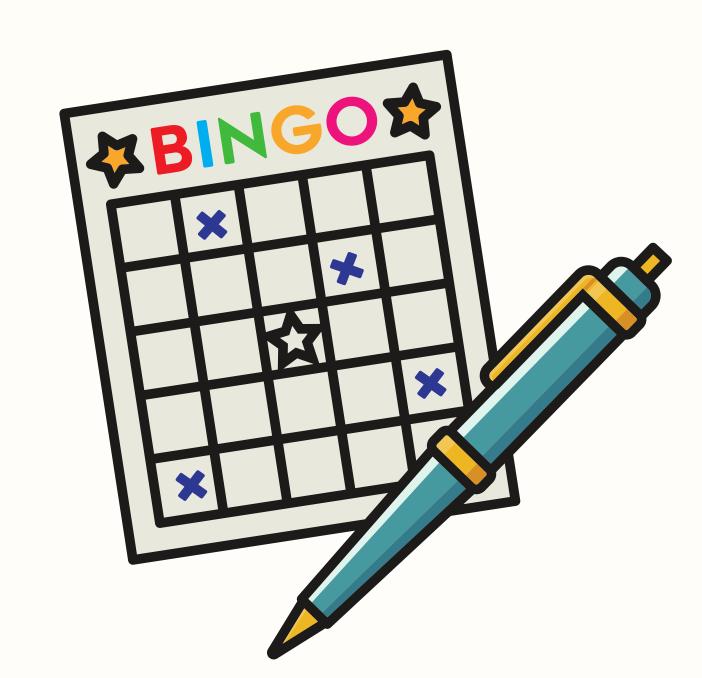




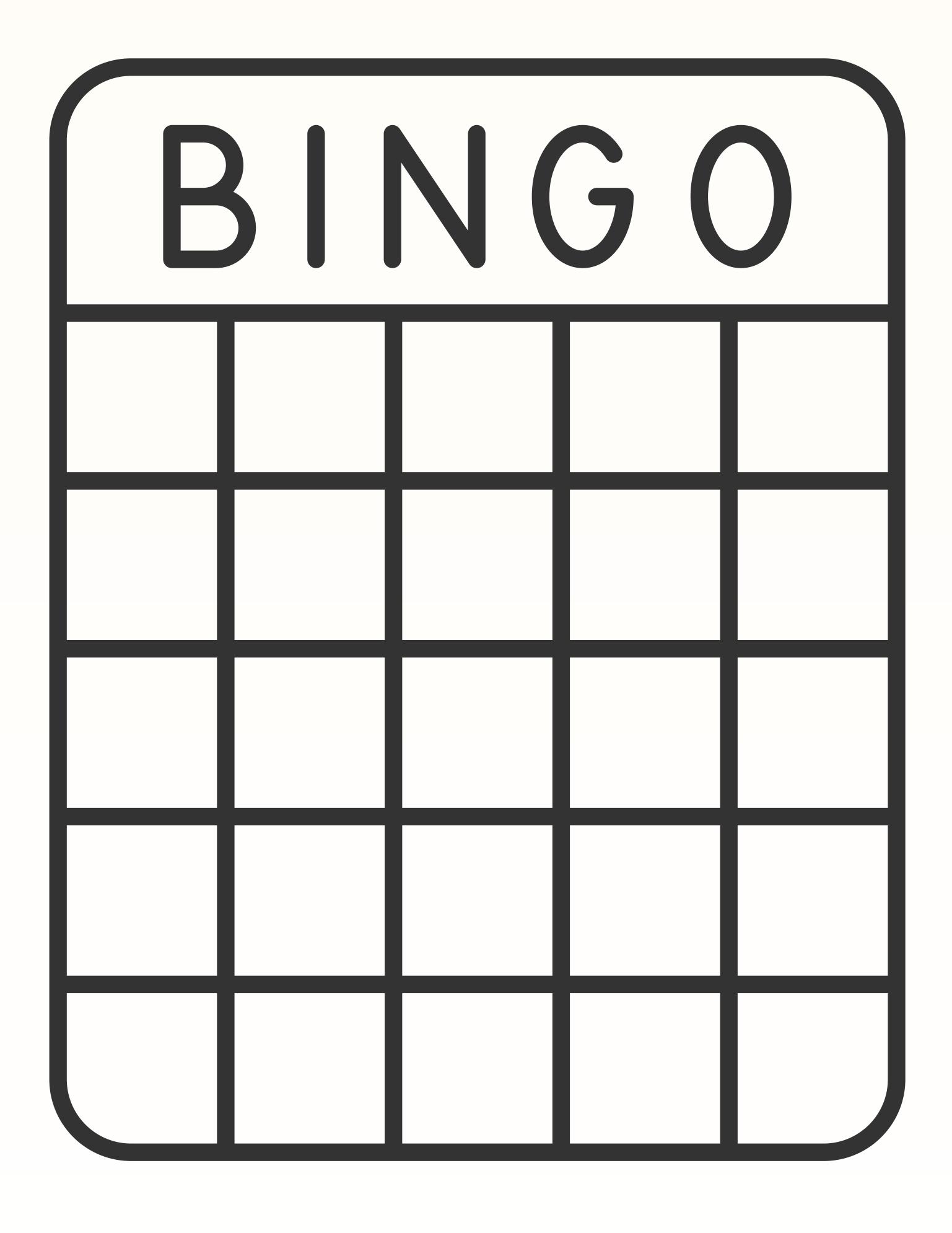


31st-Day Eleven 2025 Bingo Card-

Take a moment to think or write about what you would like to happen next year and complete the Bingo Card. These could be personal things you want to achieve or places you want to visit-anything! You can mark it off when it's complete.

















1st- Day Twelve Do something for yourself

Take 30 minutues to an hour to do something for yourself. This could be anything that you enjoy, a hobby, a moment of self care or just watching some of your favourite videos.

