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3. What is the goal of practicing acceptance, as described in the text?

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Section 2: Strategies for Moving Forward (Short Answer)

4. Name two distinct principles or strategies mentioned in the text that can help an individual on their journey after adversity.

5. Under the principle of "Focus on What You Can Control," what two specific actions are suggested?

6. Explain the concept of "post-traumatic growth" as mentioned in the "Reframe Your Narrative" section.

7. List three examples of self-care activities mentioned in the text that promote mind and body wellness.

8. Why is "allowing yourself to feel" a crucial step in the healing process?



Section 3: Application (Reflection/Discussion)

9. The text suggests that "Helping others can be a powerful way to heal." In your own words, how might "finding purpose through contribution" aid in one's recovery from adversity?

(Answer should reflect an understanding that contributing to the community or helping others can create a sense of meaning, shift focus away from personal pain, and provide a new perspective on life.)

10. Why does the text emphasize that the process of recovery "is not always linear" and what professional resource is suggested if an individual is struggling?

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- **Acknowledge and Accept**
- **Focus on What You Can Control**
- **Cultivate Connections**
- **Prioritize Self-Care**
- Reframe Your Narrative

(Accept any two of the bolded headings)

5. Under the principle of "Focus on What You Can Control," what two specific actions are suggested?

1. **Identify your strengths.**
2. **Set small, achievable goals.**

6. Explain the concept of "post-traumatic growth" as mentioned in the "Reframe Your Narrative" section.

Post-traumatic growth is when adversity leads to a deeper appreciation for life and a new sense of purpose.

7. List three examples of self-care activities mentioned in the text that promote mind and body wellness.

1. **Getting enough sleep** (or healthy diet, physical activity)
2. **Meditation** (or yoga, deep breathing)
3. **Engaging in enjoyable activities/hobbies.**

8. Why is "allowing yourself to feel" a crucial step in the healing process?

It is a crucial step because it involves allowing a range of normal emotions (anger, grief, sadness, fear) without judgment, which is necessary for healing.



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