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HAPPINESS WORDS

happiness joy	satisfaction bliss	joviality triumph	exhilaration optimism	ecstasy gladness
enjoyment	enthusiasm	contentment	zest	pride
relief	jolliness	excitement	eagerness	elation
amusement	thrill	jubilation	gaiety	glee
enthrallment	cheerfulness	zaniness	pleasure	rapture
hope	euphoria	delight	zeal	

Prompting Events for Feeling Happiness

- Receiving a wonderful surprise.
 Reality exceeding your expectations.
 Getting what you want.
 Getting something you have worked hard for or worried about.
- Things turning out better than you thought they would.
- Being successful at a task. Achieving a desirable outcome.
- Receiving esteem, respect, or praise.
- · Receiving love, liking, or affection.
- Being accepted by others.
- Belonging somewhere or with someone or a
- group.Being with or in contact with people who love or like you.
- Having very pleasurable sensations.
- Doing things that create or bring to mind pleasurable sensations.

Interpretations of Events That Prompt Feelings of Happiness

- · Interpreting joyful events just as they are, without adding or subtracting.
- · Other:

Biological Changes and Experiences of Happiness

- · Feeling excited.
- Feeling physically energetic, active.
- Feeling like giggling or laughing.Feeling your face flush.
- Feeling calm all the way through.
- · Urge to keep doing what is associated with happiness.
- Feeling at peace.
- · Feeling open or expansive.
- · Other:

Expressions and Actions of Happiness

- Smiling.
 Having a bright, glowing face.
 Being bouncy or bubbly.
 Communicating your good feelings.
 Sharing the feeling.
- Silliness.

- Hugging people.
- Jumping up and down.
- Saying positive things.
- Using an enthusiastic or excited voice.Being talkative or talking a lot.
- · Other:

Aftereffects of Happiness

- Being courteous or friendly to others.
- Doing nice things for other people. Having a positive outlook; seeing the bright
- Having a high threshold for worry or annoyance.
- Remembering and imagining other times you have felt joyful.

 Expecting to feel joyful in the future.
- Other:

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