

Exercise sheet for chapter 7: Develop yourself through role-making

Identify your roles: List the roles in your life and assign them to the categories: innate, attributed and self-chosen. Think about which roles you would like to play more or less in the future and why.

Reflect on role ascriptions: Observe the positive and negative role attributions that you encounter for a week. Decide for each attribution whether you want to accept or reject it and write down your reasons.



Create new roles through role-making: Think about which new roles you want to actively create. Develop a plan for how you can implement these roles through role-making: What skills do you need? Who should you talk to in order to take on more responsibility? Write down the first steps you will take.

Analyze expectations: Keep a log of the expectations of your social environment for a week and differentiate between must, should and can expectations. Analyze which expectations you like to meet and which ones are a burden. Set clear boundaries to reduce stressful expectations.



Improve conflict management: For can-expectations, consciously choose situations in which you want to say no in order to practise setting boundaries. Then consider should- and must-expectations where you could set boundaries to reduce the stress. Analyze a current or past conflict and develop an alternative strategy to deal with it. Write down new ideas for improving your conflict management every day.

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