## **AWARE OF NEGATIVE THOUGHTS**

When negative thoughts pop into your mind, become aware of them, using an attitude of gentle interest and curiosity. You could ask yourself questions like this: (remember to BREATHE)
□ Is this thought a fact? □ Am I blowing things way out of proportion? □ Can I see this thought from different perspectives? □ Am I focusing on my weaknesses and forgetting about those things I'm good at? □ Am I jumping to conclusions? □ Am I judging? □ Am I blaming myself or being hard on myself? □ Am I trying to get things perfect? □ Am I expecting a disaster? □ Am I reading into the future, making up the story in my head?
The keynote attitude to take with your thoughts is gentle interest and curiosity.  "Respond; don't react.  Listen; don't talk.  Think; don't assume."

— Raji Lukkoor, Speaker, author, engineer

Is this your mind?!!