# **Journal Prompts: Becoming Comfortable with Uncertainty**

### 1. Exploring Your Relationship with Uncertainty

- When you think about uncertainty, what emotions or thoughts come up for you?
- How have past experiences with uncertainty shaped your current views about it?
- What is your earliest memory of feeling uncertain or unsure? How did you handle it at the time?
- How does uncertainty make you feel in your body? What physical sensations accompany your fear of the unknown?

## 2. Recognizing the Need for Control

- In what areas of your life do you feel the need to control the outcome? What does that control give you, and what does it take away?
- How does your desire for control impact your ability to adapt to change or uncertainty?
- What is the difference between healthy control (taking necessary actions) and unhealthy control (trying to prevent all risks or discomfort)?
- How can you start loosening your grip on areas where you feel the need to control everything?

### 3. Shifting Perspective on Uncertainty

- What are some positive outcomes that could come from embracing uncertainty? How could uncertainty open doors to new opportunities?
- How might uncertainty be an opportunity for growth and self-discovery?
- Can you think of a time when uncertainty led you to something positive, even though it was initially uncomfortable?
- How can you reframe uncertainty as something that adds excitement, curiosity, or adventure to life?

### 4. Practicing Acceptance

- What would it look like if you fully accepted that uncertainty is a natural part of life? How would you approach your day differently?
- What is one small area in your life where you could begin accepting uncertainty? How might that feel?
- How could embracing uncertainty help you feel more at peace with situations beyond your control?
- In what ways can you remind yourself that not all uncertainty is dangerous or threatening?

#### **5. Building Tolerance for Uncertainty**

- What is one small, manageable change or situation you can practice being uncertain about today?
- How might you respond to feelings of uncertainty in a more grounded or compassionate way?
- What actions can you take today that help you face uncertainty with confidence, even if you don't know the outcome?

• How can you acknowledge and embrace feelings of discomfort when faced with uncertainty, rather than avoiding them?

## 6. Letting Go of the Need for Perfection

- How does the need for everything to be perfect contribute to your fear of uncertainty?
- What would it feel like to let go of perfectionism and embrace "good enough" in certain areas of your life?
- Can you think of a time when things didn't go perfectly but turned out fine anyway? What did you learn from that experience?
- How might letting go of perfection help you become more comfortable with life's natural uncertainties?

## 7. Exploring the Benefits of Uncertainty

- What are the benefits of living with less certainty and more flexibility? How might this open up your world to new perspectives and experiences?
- How does uncertainty allow for the possibility of surprise and delight?
- How could embracing uncertainty help you become more resilient and adaptable in challenging situations?
- What are the potential rewards of stepping into unknown situations with trust and an open heart?

#### 8. Trusting the Process

- When faced with uncertainty, what helps you trust the process and know that things will unfold as they need to?
- What past experiences show you that even when things feel uncertain, everything eventually works out in its own time?
- How can you start trusting that, even though you can't control every outcome, you have the resources to handle whatever comes your way?
- How can you practice trusting the unknown by focusing on what you *can* control (your reactions, mindset, and self-care)?

# 9. Letting Go of the Need for Immediate Answers

- How do you feel when you don't have immediate answers to something that matters to you?
- How can you allow yourself time and space to sit with uncertainty without needing to find an answer right away?
- How does giving yourself permission to not know everything relieve some of the pressure you might be feeling?
- What would it be like to trust that the answers will come when they're meant to, and that it's okay to not have everything figured out now?

## 10. Cultivating a Mindset of Curiosity

- How can you shift from seeing uncertainty as a source of anxiety to seeing it as an opportunity for curiosity and exploration?
- What questions could you ask yourself that help you navigate uncertainty with a sense of wonder or excitement?

- How could you view uncertainty as a blank canvas, offering endless possibilities for growth and discovery?
- How can you embrace the unknown as a chance to learn and expand your horizons?