RULES OF THE SUBCONSCIOUS MIND

Introduction

Imagine your subconscious mind as a **powerful genie**, it listens to your commands and follows them **without question**. The problem? It doesn't judge whether your thoughts are **good or bad, helpful or harmful**. It doesn't analyze, argue, or judge, it simply **accepts and executes**.

Understanding the **rules of the subconscious mind** helps you **reprogram limiting beliefs, break negative habits, and unlock your potential**. Let's dive in.

1. The Subconscious Mind is a Servant – It Follows Orders

The subconscious **does not think independently**; it simply **executes commands** given by the conscious mind.

- **Example:** If you keep telling yourself, "I am confident and capable," your subconscious **accepts it as truth** and aligns your actions accordingly.
- **X** Example: If you say, "I am unlucky," your subconscious **finds ways to** reinforce that belief.

- Be intentional with self-talk and affirmations.
- Give your subconscious clear, positive instructions.

2. It Responds with Instinct and Habit

The subconscious mind **automates** repetitive behaviors and emotional responses, making them instinctual over time.

Example: When you first learned to drive, it required **conscious effort**. Now, it's automatic.

X Example: If you always get **nervous in social situations**, your subconscious **triggers anxiety automatically**.

P How to Apply:

- Identify negative habits and reprogram them with positive behaviors.
- Use repetition to build new automatic responses.

3. It is Programmed by Repetition, Authority, and Emotion

The subconscious absorbs beliefs based on:

- 1. Repetition Messages repeated often become deeply embedded.
- 2. **Authority** Information from trusted sources (parents, teachers, media) carries weight.
- 3. **Emotion** Strong emotions accelerate learning and memory storage.
- **Example:** A child repeatedly told "You're smart" by parents grows up believing in their intelligence.
- **X** Example: Someone who experiences **trauma** develops subconscious fears and anxieties.

- Use daily affirmations to reinforce positive beliefs.
- Trustworthy mentors and role models help shape subconscious programming.
- Attach strong emotions to positive self-improvement habits.

4. It Does Not Process Negatives

The subconscious **ignores negative words** like "not" and focuses on the subject of the thought.

- **X** Example: Saying, "I don't want to be late," makes the subconscious focus on "late".
- Better Alternative: Say, "I always arrive on time."

P How to Apply:

- Focus on what you want, not what you don't want.
- Reframe negative thoughts into positive statements.

5. It Represses Memories with Unresolved Negative Emotions

The subconscious **stores all experiences**, but painful memories with unresolved emotions get **pushed down** to protect you. However, these **buried emotions still influence** your present behavior.

- **Example:** A child who was frequently criticized may develop **low self-esteem**, even without remembering specific instances.
- X Example: Unresolved childhood trauma can cause anxiety or trust issues in adulthood.

- Use self-reflection, therapy, or NLP techniques to uncover and heal old emotional wounds.
- Acknowledge and process past emotions rather than suppressing them.

6. It Works with Symbols and Metaphors

The subconscious **understands images and stories** more than logic or words.

- ✓ Example: The metaphor "I am climbing a mountain" to describe a challenging journey is more powerful than just saying, "I'm working hard."
- **Example:** Using **visualization techniques** (imagining yourself achieving your goal) helps program the subconscious for success.

P How to Apply:

- Use visualization to reinforce goals and beliefs.
- Create metaphors that frame your challenges in a positive way.

7. It Takes Everything Personally

The subconscious does **not distinguish between self-talk and external criticism**—it **absorbs** all messages as personal truth.

- Example: If you say, "I am smart and capable," your subconscious accepts it as reality.
- **Example:** If you say, "I'm an idiot," even jokingly, your subconscious **believes it**.

- Be kind to yourself—your subconscious is always listening.
- Avoid self-deprecating humor and replace it with positive affirmations.

8. It Works on the Principle of Least Effort

The subconscious **prefers familiar**, **energy-efficient paths** and resists change.

- **Example:** If you've always procrastinated, your subconscious sees it as the **default behavior**.
- **X** Example: Changing a habit requires **conscious effort until it becomes automatic**.

P How to Apply:

- Start with **small, manageable changes** to build momentum.
- Rewire habits by pairing new behaviors with existing ones (habit stacking).

9. It Has a Need to Be Moral

The subconscious aligns behavior with **deeply held moral values**. If an action contradicts your beliefs, your subconscious **creates inner conflict** (cognitive dissonance).

- **Example:** A person who values **honesty** but lies frequently will feel guilt and discomfort.
- **X** Example: Someone raised with the belief that "money is bad" may struggle with financial success due to subconscious guilt.

- Align your actions with your core values to feel at peace.
- Identify **limiting moral beliefs** that might be holding you back.

10. It Knows Only Now

The subconscious **operates in the present** and does not differentiate between **past**, **present**, **and future**—it reacts based on **current thoughts and emotions**.

- Example: If you repeatedly say, "I will be happy one day," your subconscious **keeps happiness in the future** instead of allowing you to feel it now.
- **Example:** Saying, "I am happy and fulfilled right now" makes your subconscious **create that reality immediately**.

P How to Apply:

- Speak and think in the **present tense** when affirming goals.
- Live fully in the present moment, as your subconscious only understands the now.

Final Takeaways

- ✓ Your **subconscious mind follows orders**—be mindful of what you tell it.
- ☑ It does not understand negatives—always frame thoughts positively.
- ☑ It learns through **repetition, authority, and emotion**—use them wisely.
- It stores past experiences and emotions—acknowledge and heal old wounds.
- ✓ It **operates in the present**—speak and act as if you already have what you want.