Couple Pain Cycle

...when I feel...

...you cope or react...

When you feel...

...I cope or react...

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Couple Peace Cycle

TRUTH I need

ACTION I choose

ACTION you choose

TRUTH you need

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SAY OUT LOUD:

What I know about ME is...

1. ...when I feel _____...
2. ...I usually/historically _____.
3. But the truth is _____...
4. ...so I choose to _____.

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