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Chapter 4: Adapting to bipolar disorder

List of strengths: downloadable chart

Purpose of this chart:

- To identify personal strengths (pp. 51) when you are well to help to get to know yourself and set SMART goals (chapter 18) to rebuild your life
- To remind you of your positive qualities when you are down.

Tips for using this chart:

- Tick off those qualities you recognise in yourself
- Sometimes it can be difficult to identify your positive qualities. Get a friend to also tick the strengths they see in you
- Add other strengths that apply to you if they are not mentioned here.

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List of Strengths

Affectionate	Like my own company	
Affinity with nature and animals	Logical thinker	
Artistic	Natural leader	
Assertive	Nature lover	
Attend to detail	Neat	
Brave	Outgoing	
Caring	Open-minded	
Considerate	Organised	
Creative	Original - have new ideas and ways of	
Curious	doing things, do not follow old ways	
Efficient	Observant: notice details	
Empathic	Passionate	
Easy going	Perceptive - see beneath the surface of	
Easily satisfied	things	
Fun loving	Perspective - like to see the bigger picture	
Friendly	Persistent	
Forgive easily	Practical	
Feel grateful for things, count my blessings	Polite	
Fit	Pull my weight, do my bit	
Good fashion sense	Questioning mind	
Gentle	Quiet	
Generous	Resilient	
Good listener	Resourceful when alone	
Good team player	Strong will	
Hard worker	Sociable	
Honest	Sense of beauty	
Helpful	Sense of humour	
Humorous	Sensitive	
Hard working	Self sufficient	
Imaginative	Sincere	
Intelligent	Studious	
Kind	There is a playful side to me	
Loving	Try and learn from mistakes	
Loyal	Try to treat people fairly	
Love of learning - enjoyment in gaining new	Trustworthy	
knowledge, understanding	Thoughtful	
	Try and create as good a future as possible	
	Warm	
	Others that may apply to you:	_