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The Process and Practice of Mindful Change New Harbinger Publications

ACT for Body Image Dissatisfaction is an acceptance and commitment therapy (ACT) manual practitioners can use to help clients overcome body image dissatisfaction and disordered eating behaviors such as food restriction and binge eating.

ACT for Depression New Harbinger Publications

Acceptance and commitment therapy (ACT) is proven effective in the treatment of an array of disorders, including addiction, depression, anxiety, self-harm, eating disorders, and more.

Evidence shows that mindfulness and acceptance exercises help clients connect with the moment, uncover their true values, and commit to positive change. But did you know that compassion focused exercises can also greatly increase clients' psychological flexibility? More and more, therapists are finding that the act of

compassion—both towards oneself and towards others—can lead to greater emotional and physical well-being, increased distress tolerance, and a broader range of effective responses to stressful situations. One of the best advantages of compassion focused methods is how easily they can be integrated into an ACT approach. An important addition to any ACT professional's library, *The ACT Practitioner's Guide to the Science of Compassion* explores the emotionally healing benefits of compassion focused practices when applied to traditional acceptance and commitment therapy (ACT). This book offers case conceptualization, assessments, and direct clinical applications that integrate ACT, functional analytic psychotherapy, and compassion focused therapy to enhance your clinical practice. This is the first book on the market to provide an in-depth discussion of compassion in the context of ACT and other behavioral sciences. The integrative treatment model in this book provides powerful transdiagnostic tools and processes that will essentially build bridges across therapies. If you are ready for a

new, easily integrated range of techniques that can be used for a variety of treatment applications, this guide will prove highly useful. And if you are looking to build on your previous experience with cognitive and behavioral therapies, this book will help to enhance your treatment sessions with clients and increase their psychological flexibility.

An Acceptance and Commitment Therapy Skills Training Manual for Therapists New Harbinger Publications

Professionals who work with patients and clients struggling with chronic pain will benefit from this values-based behavior change program for managing the effects of pain. Acceptance and Commitment Therapy for Chronic Pain addresses case formulation and clinical techniques for working with pain patients through a combination of practical instruction and a treatment scenario narrative that follows a patient through an ACT-based intervention. An invaluable resource for rehabilitation specialists, psychologists, physicians, nurses, and others.

Case Conceptualization in Acceptance and Commitment Therapy New Harbinger Publications

This book is the most practical clinical guide on Acceptance and Commitment Therapy (ACT said as one word, not as initials) yet available. It is designed to show how the ACT model and techniques apply to various disorders, settings, and delivery options. The authors of these chapters are experts in applying ACT in these various areas, and it is intriguing how the same core principles of ACT are given a nip here and a tuck there to fit it to so many issues. The purpose of this book, in part, is to embolden researchers and clinicians to begin to apply ACT wherever it seems to fit. The chapters in the book demonstrate that ACT may be a useful treatment approach for a very wide range of clinical problems. Already there are controlled data in many of these areas, and soon that database will be much larger. The theory underlying ACT (Relational Frame Theory or "RFT"-and yes, here you say the initials) makes a powerful claim: psychopathology is, to a significant degree, built into human language. Further, it suggests ways to diminish destructive language-based functions and ways of augmenting helpful ones. To the extent that this model is correct, ACT should apply to a very wide variety of behavioral issues because of the centrality of language and cognition in human functioning.

New Harbinger Publications

Valuing is central to acceptance and commitment therapy (ACT), yet few therapists truly understand how to engage clients in this complex process. Questions such as What is the purpose of my life? and How do I make decisions? are difficult to answer honestly for ourselves, let alone share with another person. The Art and Science of Valuing in Psychotherapy is the mental health practitioner's complete guide to helping clients identify their values and apply them to their lives in practical ways. You will also learn to establish your own values as a professional, which may shift from client to client, and act in accordance with these values in therapy. The book provides you with practical tools for conducting values work, including easy-to-understand metaphors, defusion exercises, guided imagery exercises, scripts for role play, client worksheets, assessment quizzes, and more. Once you've mastered the art and science of valuing, you'll find out just how broad the applications for values work can be for conceptualization and interventions in the workplace, in organizations, and on the community level, and discover how effective values work can be for tapping into your clients' capacity for change. [The Art and Science of Valuing in Psychotherapy] will illuminate how a focus on values can inform every aspect of psychotherapy, from case conceptualization to the therapeutic relationship. At once accessible and profound... highly recommended. -Steven C. Hayes, Ph.D., University of

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Developing a Flexible, Process-Based, and Client-Centered Practice Using Acceptance and Commitment Therapy New Harbinger Publications

In The Heart of ACT, renowned acceptance and commitment therapy (ACT) trainer Robyn Walser explores ACT as a process-based therapy incorporating interpersonal, intrapersonal, and overarching and ongoing processes, as well as the integration of six core components of psychological flexibility to connect clinicians to the dynamic and relational implementation of ACT. Engaging clinical scenarios, therapeutic insights, and supervision dialogues are offered to help clinicians move beyond their conceptual understanding of ACT principles to master the nuances of the therapeutic relationship at the heart of ACT. Using the tips and strategies in this professional guide, you'll develop a flexible, grounded, and client-centered practice. With this comprehensive resource, you'll learn to cultivate an organic, process-driven practice, grounded in the heart of the therapeutic relationship and responsive to clients in the moment. The Heart of ACT is designed to mimic the supervision experience by presenting material in thought-provoking chapters grounded in real-life clinical situations and challenges. In the book, you'll also find supervision dialogues inspired by Walser's work with her supervisees, Carlton Coulter and Manuela O'Connell. Carlton and Manuela comment and ask questions related to the material in the book and their own ACT learning process. These are then addressed by Walser in a dialogue designed to assist clinicians in connecting to the material. These sections mimic the helpful mentoring process of one-on-one training and supervision, and offer insights into specific therapeutic challenges that can unfold in structured conversation. As the applications of ACT grow, so does the need for up-to-date professional resources. Unlike many advanced ACT books that focus on procedures and techniques, The Heart of ACT focuses on the heart of the therapeutic relationship, as well as the "soft skills" that are difficult to describe, but which often mark the difference between a merely good clinician and an excellent one. If you're looking to take your ACT delivery to a new, exciting level, this book is a must-have addition to your professional library.

Acceptance- and Mindfulness-Based Approaches to Anxiety American Psychiatric Pub

A PRACTICAL, REAL-WORLD GUIDE TO ANALYTICS FOR THE 5 MAJOR SPORTS: FOOTBALL, BASKETBALL, BASEBALL, SOCCER, AND TENNIS GAIN A COMPETITIVE EDGE! This is the first real-world guide to building and using analytical models for measuring and assessing performance in the five major sports: football, basketball, baseball, soccer, and tennis. Unlike books that focus strictly on theory, this book brings together sports measurement and statistical analyses, demonstrating how to examine differences across sports as well as between player positions. This book will provide you with the tools for cutting-edge approaches you can extend to the sport of your choice. Expert Northwestern University data scientist, UC San Diego researcher, and competitive athlete, Lorena Martin shows how to use measures and apply statistical models to evaluate players, reduce injuries, and improve sports performance. You'll learn how to leverage a deep understanding of each sport's principles, rules, attributes, measures, and performance outcomes. Sports Performance Measurement and Analytics will be an indispensable resource for anyone who wants to bring analytical rigor to athletic competition: students, professors, analysts, fans, physiologists, coaches, managers, and sports executives alike. All data sets, extensive code, and additional examples are available for download at <http://www.ftpress.com/martin/> What are the

qualities a person must have to become a world-class athlete? This question and many more can be answered through research, measurement, statistics, and analytics. This book gives athletes, trainers, coaches, and managers a better understanding of measurement and analytics as they relate to sports performance. To develop accurate measures, we need to know what we want to measure and why. There is great power in accurate measures and statistics. Research findings can show us how to prevent injuries, evaluate strengths and weaknesses, improve team cohesion, and optimize sports performance. This book serves many readers. People involved with sports will gain an appreciation for performance measures and analytics. People involved with analytics will gain new insights into quantified values representing physical, physiological, and psychological components of sports performance. And students eager to learn about sports analytics will have a practical introduction to the field. This is a thorough introduction to performance measurement and analytics for five of the world's leading sports. The only book of its kind, it offers a complete overview of the most important concepts, rules, measurements, and statistics for each sport, while demonstrating applications of real-world analytics. You'll find practical, state-of-the-art guidance on predicting future outcomes, evaluating an athlete's market value, and more.

Feed Your Psychological Needs and End the Weight Loss Struggle Using Acceptance and Commitment Therapy New Harbinger Publications

If you are an ACT practitioner or mental health professional, this eagerly awaited resource is an essential addition to your professional library. Acceptance and commitment therapy (ACT) is an evidence-based therapy that has been successful in treating a variety of psychological issues, such as anxiety, depression, substance abuse, trauma, eating disorders, and more. In contrast to other treatment options, ACT has proven extremely effective in helping clients who are "stuck" in unhealthy thought patterns by encouraging them align their values with their thoughts and actions. However, the ACT model is complex, and it's not always easy to use. Traditionally, ACT is delivered with a focus around six core processes that are often referred to as the hexaflex: cognitive defusion, acceptance, contact with the present moment, observing the self, values, and committed action. Each of these core processes serves a specific function, but they are often made more complex than needed in both theory and in practice. So what if there was a way to simplify ACT in your sessions with clients? Edited by clinical psychologists and popular ACT workshop leaders Kevin L. Polk and Benjamin Schoendorff, *The ACT Matrix* fuses the six core principles of acceptance and commitment therapy (ACT) into a simplified, easy-to-apply approach that focuses on client actions and behavior as workable or unworkable, rather than good or bad. Most importantly, you'll learn how this innovative approach can be used to deliver ACT more effectively in a variety of settings and contexts, even when clients are resistant or unmotivated to participate. This is the first book to utilize the ACT Matrix model, and it is a must-read for any ACT practitioner looking to streamline his or her therapeutic approach.

A Process-Focused Guide to Treating Anorexia and Bulimia New Harbinger Publications

A Process-Focused Guide to Treating Eating Disorders with ACT At some point in clinical practice, most therapists will encounter a client suffering with an eating disorder, but many are uncertain of how to treat these issues. Because eating disorders are rooted in secrecy and reinforced by our culture's dangerous obsession with thinness, sufferers are likely to experience significant health complications before they receive the help they need.

Acceptance and Commitment Therapy for Eating Disorders presents a thorough conceptual foundation along with a complete protocol therapists can use to target the rigidity and perfectionism at the core of most eating disorders. Using this protocol, therapists can help clients overcome anorexia, bulimia, binge eating disorder, and other types of disordered eating. This professional guide offers a review of acceptance and commitment therapy (ACT) as a theoretical orientation and presents case conceptualizations that illuminate the ACT process. Then, it provides session-by-session guidance for training and tracking present-moment focus, cognitive defusion, experiential acceptance, transcendent self-awareness, chosen values, and committed action—the six behavioral components that underlie ACT and allow clients to radically change their relationship to food and to their bodies. Both clinicians who already use ACT in their practices and those who have no prior familiarity with this revolutionary approach will find this resource essential to the effective assessment and treatment of all types of eating disorders.

The Canonical Papers of Steven C. Hayes New Harbinger Publications

The self plays an integral role in human motivation, cognition, and social identity. A Contextual Behavioral Guide to the Self translates this difficult—yet essential—therapeutic process into easy-to-apply steps and user-friendly language. For many clients, it's incredibly difficult to shed preconceived notions of "who they really are," and negative perceptions of the self can lead to feelings of low self-worth that stand in the way of treatment. Furthermore, every client who partakes in acceptance and commitment therapy (ACT) must identify a self as part of their treatment, and clinicians often report that observing the self, or "self as context," is the most difficult of all six core ACT processes. Problems with the self arise when clients orient themselves in the world and learn to relate to others, but these problems can vary considerably. For example, some clients may have deficits in developing a strong sense of self in the first place—particularly if they are diagnosed with autism spectrum conditions (ASC). Depressed clients or those with borderline personality disorder (BPD) may develop a skewed, negative sense of self, and those with narcissistic personality disorder (NPD) may develop an inflated sense of self. With this unique road map, you will learn to apply the complex theory of the self into everyday practice, and help all clients develop empathy, compassion, and flexible perspective taking—leading to better treatment outcomes and better lives for clients.

The Research Journey of Acceptance and Commitment Therapy (ACT) Theories of Psychotherapy

Great national attention has been afforded to the development of effective treatment approaches for individuals with autism. However, a void lies in the support for the parents and guardians of individuals with autism. The psychological and emotional implications for a parent that raises a child with autism, from diagnosis to long-term care, are profound and have detrimental effects. Acceptance and Commitment Therapy (ACT) is an avenue of treatment that differs from traditional approaches. The aim of ACT is to modify the way in which the individuals interact with their language as opposed to changing that language and psychological processes that accompany it. Experiment 1 sought to examine the effects of a two-day, four-hour intensive ACT-based training utilizing the components of ACT vs. that of a Control Group. Participants were matched to the ACT Group or the Control Group, based on BDI-II and AAQ-II scores. In addition to the self-report measures, Galvanic Skin Response (GSR) was assessed at pre-scheduled times throughout the course of the experiment for participants that consented to provide it. Results

of Experiment 1 were indicative of statistically significant differences with respect to a number of dependent measures both within and across subjects. Visual analysis of Galvanic Skin Response (GSR) measures between the two experimental groups denotes small-moderate physiological changes within those parents exposed to the ACT training. These results indicate the introduction of ACT training for parents served to impact psychological flexibility and decrease experiential avoidance, as well as improve physiological responding in the presence of aversive stimuli. In order to compare a mindfulness-based training approach to a full ACT model, we utilized a probe design imbedded in a non-concurrent additive multiple baseline design (A-B-BC) in Experiment 2 with three parents of individuals with autism. Training phases included the mindfulness processes of the ACT model (B) and the full ACT model (BC) involving both mindfulness and behavior-change processes. Similar to Experiment 1, parents provided GSR at various times over the course of Experiment 2. We saw moderate changes on self-report measures or GSR with the implementation of the Mindfulness Only Phase of the MBD, and in some cases, reports of psychological flexibility and experiential avoidance got worse. The introduction of the ACT Phase served to increase psychological flexibility and decrease experiential avoidance for 2 of 3 participants for each of the self-report measures. Additionally during the ACT Phase, participants' GSR output showed physiological improvements, increased psychological flexibility, and decreased experiential avoidance in the presence of aversive stimuli beyond those improvements of the Mindfulness Only Phase. Previous research has investigated the efficacy of an ACT-based training in which the total training contact hours fall in the double digits. Results of the current study showed that only 4 hours of ACT-based training served to facilitate psychological flexibility and decrease experiential avoidance, as well as positively impact physiological responses to aversive stimuli in most participants. Additionally, we saw a greater influence on psychological flexibility and experiential avoidance with the introduction of the full ACT model as compared to the Mindfulness-Only training, suggesting the importance of the inclusion of behavior-change processes (i.e., committed action and values) to a training for parents of individuals with autism. *Acceptance and Commitment Therapy and Mindfulness for Psychosis* New Harbinger Publications

ACT (pronounced as one word) is a type of Cognitive Behavioural Therapy that promotes a therapeutic process known as Psychological Flexibility (2014). A key feature of this therapy in the context of chronic pain is that it focuses on behaviour change rather than symptom reduction only. This was a prospective study, which aimed to design, implement and evaluate ACT based, group, interdisciplinary, rehabilitation programmes for people with chronic pain attending rheumatology services. Data was collected at three time points; at assessment, on the last day of the interventions and at a 6-month review date following completion of the programme. Four self-report measures and two objective measures were used to collect data for the primary outcomes. To examine the processes of psychological flexibility, a further four validated measures were included at each time point and these mapped onto the content of the programme. Paired t-tests and repeated measures ANOVA were used to test differences between time points. Results showed statistically significant improvements across all the primary outcome measures except for pain. Improvements made during the eight-week programmes were maintained at follow up for all the measures. These are the first trials, examining ACT for chronic pain that were carried out in a rheumatology context only. As such they add to the existing evidence for the

effectiveness of Acceptance and Commitment Therapy for chronic pain.

Learning Acceptance and Commitment Therapy Springer Science & Business Media

Showcasing the very latest in the theory, research and practice of Acceptance and Commitment Therapy (ACT) across a range of clinical applications, including eating disorders, depression, anxiety, schizophrenia, borderline personality disorder, PTSD and substance abuse, with contributions from leading ACT practitioners including co-founders Kirk Strosahl, Kelly Wilson and Rob Zettle. Chapters range from detailed treatments of the scientific and theoretical aspects of the ACT model and research program, to detailed discussions of how to apply ACT to a variety of human problems. Divided into two parts, the first section features theoretical treatments of ACT, with the second (and larger) section presenting extended descriptions of how to apply ACT in different contexts. This rich content mix reflects the strengths of the contextual behavioral science (CBS) research program espoused by Michael Levin and Steven Hayes from the University of Nevada. In the end, ACT is an applied treatment model, and as such, it lives and dies by its ability to effectively benefit a wide variety of clients. In order to make the treatment increasingly effective and to maximize understanding about precisely how the treatment works, its tenets must be theoretically coherent, firmly based on empirically tried and true principles, and must have its active psychological processes clearly identified and sufficiently assessed. This book clearly demonstrates such a mix of full application, an appreciation of basic-applied research linkage, clear and behaviorally-consistent conceptualization of specific problem areas, and coherent explication of the ACT model. This book will not only tell you what to do with clients struggling with various problems, it will also tell you how those things work.

A Practitioner's Guide to Experiential Exercises and Metaphors in Acceptance and Commitment Therapy John Wiley & Sons

Relationships take work. In this much-anticipated book, best-selling author Matthew McKay and psychologist Avigail Lev present the ten most common relationship schemas, and provide an evidence-based acceptance and commitment therapy (ACT) treatment protocol for professionals to help clients overcome the barriers that hold them back in their relationships. Romantic relationships are a huge challenge for many of us, as evidenced by our high divorce rates. But what is it that causes so much pain and discord in many relationships? In *Acceptance and Commitment Therapy for Couples*, Matthew McKay and Avigail Lev provide the first ACT-based treatment protocol for couples that identifies the ten most common relationship schemas—and the coping behaviors they drive—to help you guide clients through their pain and toward solutions that reflect the needs and values of the couple. Rather than working to stop relationship schemas from being triggered or to reduce schema pain, you'll be able to help your clients observe and name what triggers their rigid coping behaviors when their schemas are activated. And by learning new skills when they're triggered, your clients will be able to replace avoidant and coping behaviors with values-based action for the betterment of the relationship. By making your clients' avoidant behavior the target of treatment—as opposed to their thoughts and beliefs—this skills-based guide provides the tools you need to help your clients change how they respond to their partner.

A New Approach to Building Psychological Flexibility Across Settings and Populations New Harbinger Publications

Psychological research suggests that cognitive behavior therapy (CBT), used alone or in combination with medical therapy, is the

most effective treatment for depression. Recent findings, though, suggest that CBT for depression may work through different processes than we had previously suspected. The stated goal of therapeutic work in CBT is the challenging and restructuring of irrational thoughts that can lead to feelings of depression. But the results of recent studies suggest that two other side effects of CBT may actually have a greater impact than thought restructuring on client progress: Distancing and decentering work that helps clients stop identifying with depression and behavior activation, a technique that helps him or her to reengage with naturally pleasurable and rewarding activities. These two components of conventional CBT are central in the treatment approach of the new acceptance and commitment therapy (ACT). This book develops the techniques of ACT into a session-by-session approach that therapists can use to treat clients suffering from depression. The research-proven program outlined in *ACT for Depression* introduces therapists to the ACT model on theoretical and case-conceptual levels. Then it delves into the specifics of structuring interventions for clients with depression using the ACT method of acceptance and values-based behavior change. Written by one of the pioneering researchers into the effectiveness of ACT for the treatment of depression, this book is a much-needed professional resource for the tens of thousands of therapists who are becoming ever more interested in ACT.

Mindfulness for Two SAGE Publications

In 1986 the first research study investigating Acceptance and Commitment Therapy (ACT) was published. It aimed to determine if an early conceptualization of the ACT model could be used to treat depression. Since this seminal study, further investigations have been conducted across every imaginable psychological issue and the rate at which this research has emerged is impressive. This book describes the research journey that ACT has taken in the past 30 years. It also suggests, in light of the progress that has already been made, how ACT research should move forward in the coming decades.

A Practitioner's Guide to Using Mindfulness and Acceptance Strategies Springer

Acceptance and commitment therapy, or ACT (pronounced as a word rather than letters), is an emerging psychotherapeutic technique first developed into a complete system in the book *Acceptance and Commitment Therapy* by Steven Hayes, Kirk Strosahl, and Kelly Wilson. ACT marks what some call a third wave in behavior therapy. To understand what this means, it helps to know that the first wave refers to traditional behavior therapy, which works to replace harmful behaviors with constructive ones through a learning principle called conditioning. Cognitive therapy, the second wave of behavior therapy, seeks to change problem behaviors by changing the thoughts that cause and perpetuate them. In the third wave, behavior therapists have begun to explore traditionally nonclinical treatment techniques like acceptance, mindfulness, cognitive defusion, dialectics, values, spirituality, and relationship development. These therapies reexamine the causes and diagnoses of psychological problems, the treatment goals of psychotherapy, and even the definition of mental illness itself. ACT earns its place in the third wave by reevaluating the traditional assumptions and goals of psychotherapy. The theoretical literature on which ACT is based questions our basic understanding of mental illness. It argues that the static condition of even mentally healthy individuals is one of suffering and struggle, so our grounds for calling one behavior 'normal' and another 'disordered' are murky at best. Instead of focusing on diagnosis and symptom etiology as a foundation for treatment—a traditional approach that implies, at least on some level, that there is something 'wrong' with the client—ACT therapists begin treatment by encouraging the client

to accept without judgment the circumstances of his or her life as they are. Then therapists guide clients through a process of identifying a set of core values. The focus of therapy thereafter is making short and long term commitments to act in ways that affirm and further this set of values. Generally, the issue of diagnosing and treating a specific mental illness is set aside; in therapy, healing comes as a result of living a value-driven life rather than controlling or eradicating a particular set of symptoms. Emerging therapies like ACT are absolutely the most current clinical techniques available to therapists. They are quickly becoming the focus of major clinical conferences, publications, and research. More importantly, these therapies represent an exciting advance in the treatment of mental illness and, therefore, a real opportunity to alleviate suffering and improve people's lives. Not surprisingly, many therapists are eager to include ACT in their practices. ACT is well supported by theoretical publications and clinical research; what it has lacked, until the publication of this book, is a practical guide showing therapists exactly how to put these powerful new techniques to work for their own clients. *Acceptance and Commitment Therapy for Anxiety Disorders* adapts the principles of ACT into practical, step-by-step clinical methods that therapists can easily integrate into their practices. The book focuses on the broad class of anxiety disorders, the most common group of mental illnesses, which includes general anxiety, panic disorder, phobias, obsessive-compulsive disorder, and post-traumatic stress disorder. Written with therapists in mind, this book is easy to navigate, allowing busy professionals to find the information they need when they need it. It includes detailed examples of individual therapy sessions as well as many worksheets and exercises, the very important 'homework' clients do at home to reinforce work they do in the office. The book comes with a CD-ROM that includes electronic versions of all of the worksheets in the book as well as PowerPoint and audio features that make learning and teaching these techniques easy and engaging.

ACT in Practice New Harbinger Publications

Acceptance and commitment therapy (ACT) is more than just a set of techniques for structuring psychotherapeutic treatment; it also offers a new, insightful, transdiagnostic approach to case conceptualization and to mental health in general. Learn to put this popular new psychotherapeutic model to work in your practice with this book, the first guide that explains how to do case conceptualization within an ACT framework. *ACT in Practice* offers an introduction to ACT, an overview of its impact, and a brief introduction to the six core processes of ACT treatment—the six points of the hexaflex model and its pathological alter ego, the so-called inflexahex. It describes how to accomplish case conceptualizations in general and offers précis of the literature that establish the importance and value of case conceptualization. This guide also offers possible alternative case conceptualization for cases from different therapeutic traditions, a great help to therapists who come from a more traditional CBT background. Exercises throughout help you to evaluate the information you have just learned so that you may effectively integrate ACT into your practice.

Conceptualization and Treatment Routledge

A comprehensive overview of the mechanisms involved in how cognitive processes determine thought and behavior toward the social world, *Cognitive Social Psychology*: *examines cognition as a motivated process wherein cognition and motivation are seen as intertwined; * reviews the latest research on stereotyping, prejudice, and the ability to control these phenomena—invaluable information to managers who need to prevent against bias in the workplace; and *provides a current analysis of classic problems/issues in social psychology, such as cognitive

dissonance, the fundamental attribution error, social identity, stereotyping, social comparison, heuristic processing, the self-concept, assimilation and contrast effects, and goal pursuit. Intended for psychology and management students, as well as social, cognitive, and industrial/organizational psychologists in both academic and applied settings. This new book is also an ideal text for courses in social cognition due to its cohesive structure.

A Clinician's Guide to Using Mindfulness, Values, and Schema Awareness to Rebuild Relationships New Harbinger Publications
Objective: This study aimed to provide a preliminary investigation of the mediators of change in an Acceptance and Commitment Therapy (ACT) intervention for people distressed by hearing voices. According to ACT it is the relationship one has to their unwanted experiences that impacts upon distress and valued living. The cognitive mediation model proposes that it is beliefs about the voice/s and the self that is causally related to distress and diminished life circumstances. Consequently, Cognitive Therapy (CT) aims to alter such beliefs. This study investigates the shared and distinct mediators of change in these two models.
Design: Following a four-week baseline four participants who

were distressed by hearing voices engaged in a 12-week ACT intervention. ACT and CT- process measures were completed at every session. Outcome measures were completed at the end of each phase. A qualitative Change Interview was conducted at the end of the intervention. Results: Two of the four participants responded to the intervention. They demonstrated reliable changes on measures of general psychological flexibility, psychological flexibility in relation to hearing voices, and in beliefs about voice omnipotence. No meaningful changes were demonstrated on a measure of positive and negative self-beliefs. Changes appeared to occur during the Acceptance phase of the therapy. Conclusions: This study provided further support for ACT as a promising intervention for people distressed by hearing voices. ACT appears to impact upon psychological flexibility, as hypothesized, as well as the content of beliefs about voices, possibly through the development of meta-cognitive awareness. Tentative findings suggest that changes may occur following the introduction of acceptance and mindfulness based techniques. In addition, findings suggest clients presenting with significant interpersonal difficulties may not benefit from ACT or may require a longer-intervention. Clinical implications and suggestions for future research are discussed.

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