



Owning the RED Dot

Worksheet

Much self-improvement work is about being some other way or getting somewhere else. For example, when I get that job, that body, that number in the bank account, that relationship...THEN I will be happy, peaceful, and inspired.

This is particularly true in business and fitness. Yet the wisdom of the ages agrees that the **power is Here and Now**. Later never comes. Any process that encourages you to abandon your power where it is in the present, to chase it where it isn't, is sure to fail.

Living On Purpose is more about BEING HERE than GETTING there. It's about LIVING NOW rather than in the later that never comes!

Every process of navigation starts with a reference point of where you ARE. The directory at shopping malls has a **RED Dot that says YOU ARE HERE.** When we are lost or can't get where we want to go, we first must discover where we are. From "HERE" (where we are) the next steps to where we want to go become obvious every time.

Discovering Your Essential Self works with the exact same process. If you want to give your Gift, live your Purpose, and create the Vision you have of a better self and world, there is only one place you can ever start... it is **HERE, On Purpose Now.**

This RED Dot Worksheet is a tool to provide a clear picture of where you are in your current **Perspective and Experiences of any given situation**. By design, it empowers you to cut through the clutter of the mind and emotions to pierce the center of the present moment — your RED Dot. More importantly, it brings you to the time and place where the perennial wisdom agrees there is power. It brings you to **Here and Now.**



Owning the **RED** Dot

Below is the anatomy of the RED Dot. Seeing what is making up our perspective and experience can also show us the way to freedom and purpose.

Study the diagram and then consider using the following **RED Dot Worksheet** as a written meditation to cut through the phantoms of the past and illusions of the future. Doing this work empowers you to slice your way to freedom and experience the liberation of being fully alive and aware in the present moment.



By now you have a predisposed perspective and experience about everything. THIS and nothing outside of you is the source of all pain, suffering and misery you perceive and experience. You choose between but 2 choices — judge or accept this. You can decide how you perceive yourself, life, other people and what you experience. You are only a victim when you have perceived it as such.

All you ever defend are your perspectives and experiences which makes up your RED Dot. Once you have identified and accepted your RED Dot, ask "is this a conscious expression of my Gift, Purpose and Vision"?



Instructions

- **Print and keep several copies** of this guide module in places where you have easy access to it for reference.
- When you are activated, confused or upset, use it to identify your current "Perspectives and Experiences" Your RED Dot.
- Practice being where you are! How can you be anywhere or anyway else? It is ok to be you, right where you are, exactly what you are thinking and feeling. There is power Here.
- From this place of presence, learn to hear the Voice of Purpose, but don't rush it. The Ego is in a hurry driven to prove fear is real, purpose is somewhere else. See if you can learn to catch the Ego scams and slow it down to be right here, right now.
- Then, hear the Voice of Purpose show you the next move and run the next play.
- Try to remember this **several times a day,** yet don't judge yourself when you fail. Use this to practice the sport of Living On Purpose.

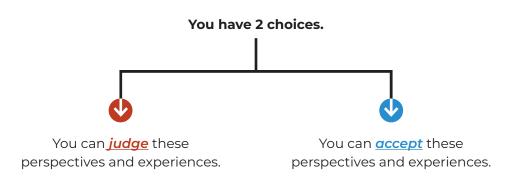


Day / Date:
To prepare: Think of a situation or relationship where you'd like to increase your sense of Freedom / Power / Peace / Joy / Inspiration, etc. Let the scenes that come naturally play in your mind, paying close attention to the details and feelings. Name the situation with a phrase. For example: In the situation with Charlie Brown and Lucy, regarding how we make decisions about dinner, I'd like more Freedom, Power and Inspiration.
1. In the situation with
regarding
I would like more - (check all you want OR list your own below) Freedom Power Peace Joy Grace Inspiration Passion Connection Abundance
Follow the sentence starting prompts below. Let your perspectives and experiences pour onto the paper unedited and without judgment. The objective is to see them. Say in your mind "In situation":
Witness your Perspective:
I think
I believe
What this means to me is
The story I'm telling myself is
The case I am making is (for/against)
The voices I hear & images that come to mind are
The victims are
The villains are
The heroes are
Witness your Experience:
The energies I see are (describe them - creative/destructive, light/ dark etc.)
My emotions are
My feelings are
The sensations in my body are (name them: a pit in my stomach, tight in my throat, burning windpipe, headache etc.)

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Now you have it. YOUR RED Dot about this situation.





- **THIS** and nothing outside you is the source of all pain, suffering, and misery you perceive and experience.
- Once you have <u>accepted</u> "this is Your RED Dot"...

ASK – Are these conscious expressions of my Heartfelt Intentions or a devotion to giving my Gifts, living On Purpose and creating the Vision I have of a better self and world?

ANSWER Yes/No _____.

IF your answer is no, ASK - How shall I proceed On Purpose Now?

- What are your options, how shall you give your Gift, live On Purpose, and build the Vision you have of a better self and world?
- 3 SLOW down and listen, your Purpose itself will reveal this to you!

List 3 options for how you can express a greater sense of Freedom, Power and Inspiration:

1) I could		
2) I could		

1 It is imperative that you make a decision On Purpose and choose how you will act on that decision.

I am deciding On Purpose Now to:

Pun the next Play ...

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