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# MINDFULNESS & MBCT KEY RESOURCES

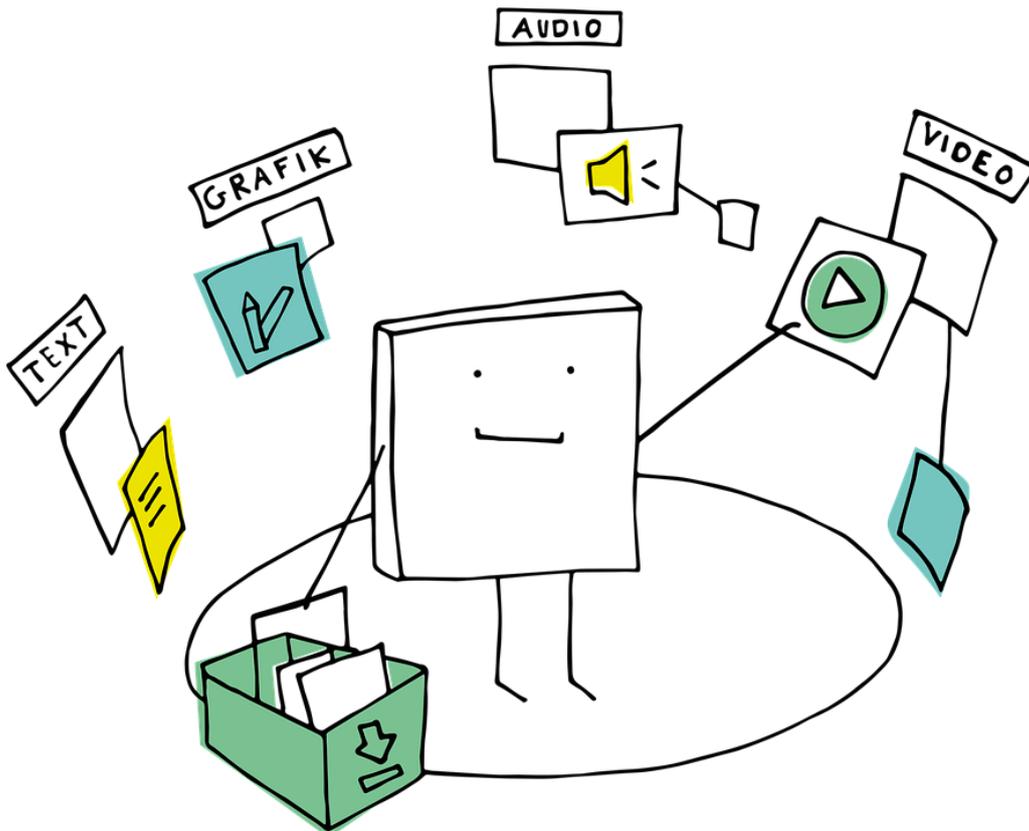


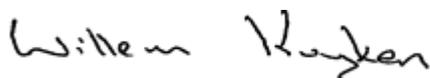
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# BACKGROUND AND INTRODUCTION

I am often asked, “Where I do find the best mindfulness and mindfulness-based cognitive therapy (MBCT) book / website / app?” “What is some of the most important research?” “I’d like to learn more about mindfulness / MBCT, but I don’t know where to start.” This listing is intended to signpost to books, research articles, websites and other mindfulness resources. It is organised into different sections and different sections will be of interest to different groups of people. There is no intention to be comprehensive; these are resources I am aware of that I recommend. Also, there are a range of mindfulness-based programs; my emphasis is on evidence-based mindfulness programs, in particular MBCT. In an exponentially growing field there are other evidence-based programs and many further resources; this list is not intended to be definitive. That being said, each time I update it, it gets longer. Please consult the Table of Contents to find what you’re looking for.

To keep up-to-date with new publications in the field of mindfulness, consult Mindfulness Research Monthly, a web-based service from the American Mindfulness Research Association (<https://goamra.org>) that provides researchers and practitioners with monthly publication updates in mindfulness research and practice. I use my Twitter account to disseminate new research from our group as well as other key resources: @WillemKuyken  
I hope this proves helpful to you.



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# LEARNING MINDFULNESS AND MBCT

**Can you suggest one book / one website / one app where I can learn more about mindfulness and MBCT?**

This is a hard question, but with all the caveats (this is my perspective, there are numerous great resources and there is no one size fits all) ...

Book: Williams, M. & Penman, D. (2011). Mindfulness: A practical guide to finding peace in a frantic world. London: Piatkus

Website: [mindful.org](https://www.mindful.org)

One app: I suggest reading [this review](#) and making up your own mind, but add Headspace and Plum Village to this list.

The Oxford Mindfulness Centre has a free introductory course, and weekly mindfulness practice sessions for people with an established mindfulness practice – details here:

<https://www.oxfordmindfulness.org/free-online-mindfulness-course-sessions/>

## COVID-19

The COVID-19 pandemic has required considerable adaptation from all of us. Our frontline healthcare staff are providing excellent physical care to those suffering from this disease, our best scientists are working hard to provide us with medication and vaccines to help us fight it and many people are maintaining all our critical services. But we must not ignore the mental health and well-being of the general population. Mindfulness teaches us to be steady, to recognize and meet challenging circumstances and respond with kindness, care and wisdom. It enables us to navigate difficult times precisely like this pandemic. The University of Oxford Mindfulness Centre is offering weekly, online mindfulness sessions, open to all who already have a mindfulness practice and would like support in sustaining and deepening their practice. Details available [here](#).

Our mindfulness curricula are intended to offer a space for people to learn practical skills, experience connection, discuss the challenges faced and support each other at a time when solidarity is needed most. Many are available as a free podcast for anyone who missed the session or who wishes to practice again on the [website](#), Spotify, Podbean and iTunes.

Jon Kabat-Zinn did a series of talks throughout the months of the lockdown which you can watch on YouTube.

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Dr Jud Brewer, a psychiatrist and neuroscientist who specializes in mindfulness, anxiety and habit change wrote a piece for the [New York Times and](#) has posted videos on his YouTube channel on how to work with fear and anxiety and also gives tips on how to develop healthy mindful habits. Click here to watch.

Mindful.org is also offering many resources during the pandemic.

The following are general resources if you are new to mindfulness and MBCT and want to learn more.

### BOOKS:

Kabat-Zinn, J. (1994). *Wherever you go, there you are: Mindfulness meditation in everyday life*. London: Piatkus. Highly engaging and accessible introduction to mindfulness.

Williams, M. & Penman, D. (2011). *Mindfulness: A practical guide to finding peace in a frantic world*. London: Piatkus. (Face-to-face version developed by Mark Williams and Chris Cullen.) Includes free CD with guided meditations; based around MBCT but not the full MBCT programme as in the Mindful Way through depression above).

Goleman, D., & Davidson, R. J. (2017). *Altered traits: Science reveals how meditation changes your mind, brain and body*. New York: Avery Publishing Group. More of a popular science book than a mindfulness guide as such.

I am writing a book that I hope will provide a resource for people wishing to learn mindfulness in ways that can enrich their lives, and for life. I hope it will be published in 2022, but there is a preview chapter [here](#).

### APPS:

There is a June 2019 review of the best free apps at mindful.org, see here:

<https://www.mindful.org/free-mindfulness-apps-worthy-of-your-attention/>

I would add to this list Headspace and Plum Village. Headspace has developed content for health care staff and school teachers and made this freely available during the pandemic. These apps are not all fully free, some offer a free trial period, or quite limited access to some free resources. Some, like Insight Timer, are really inclusive which means anyone can upload content. This means you need to make your own choices about which teachers to select from what came seem a bewilderingly large choice. See finding a teacher below for my recommendations of teachers I know and whose teaching I recommend.

### WEBSITES:

[Mindful.org](#) is a popular resource for the general public. It includes guidance on getting started with a mindfulness practice and articles about the science of mindfulness and mindfulness-based programs.

Our Centre, the University of Oxford Mindfulness Centre has a website for the public - <http://oxfordmindfulness.org/> and we offer mindfulness classes online and in person. There is a separate website for our research group: <https://www.psych.ox.ac.uk/research/mindfulness>

### FINDING AN MBCT TEACHER:

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For many people attending a mindfulness course is helpful, and for some its transformational. You can find an MBCT teacher via the international directory AccessMBCT, see here: <https://www.accessmbct.com>. There are other directories of teachers, but this is the one I recommend for MBCT teachers.

### FINDING A MEDITATION TEACHER:

I would recommend the following teachers, who are not only meditation teachers but also have an excellent understanding of MBCT and mindfulness taught in secular settings: Tara Brach, Rebecca Crane, Chris Cullen, Jake Dartington, Alison Evans. Christina Feldman, Gil Fronsdale, Joseph Goldstein, Jack Kornfeld, Brigitte O'Neill, Jaya Rudyard and Mark Williams. Please note, some of these teachings are based on ancient wisdom and practices derived from Buddhism. Many of them have talks and practices available online and also teach at various centres around the world. Many of them also feature on the Insight Timer app.

A final word about learning mindfulness. Mindfulness is not a panacea.

Mindfulness is not for everyone, and there are times in life when other approaches might be better. If it is not for you, that's fine, there are many approaches to developing our well-being. If you're considering learning mindfulness, especially when you're new to it, make sure you use a trustworthy, evidence-based approach and above all trust your own experience. If something is helpful then continue, if you're not sure or something is unhelpful step back from it. In these cases maybe ask for some advice or talk through your experience with a good MBCT teacher.

If you're experiencing mental health problems or distress.

Consider these [WHO resources](#), these [Mind](#) not-for-profit charity resources, these [UK NHS resources](#), or this USA [healthline](#). Most mental health problems are treatable and your primary care doctor and these websites are a good place to start.

## TAKING IT FURTHER: COURSES TO EXTEND LEARNING MINDFULNESS BEYOND 8-WEEK MINDFULNESS COURSES

### The University of Oxford Mindfulness Centre's Taking it Further course

The University of Oxford Mindfulness Centre has developed [a Mindfulness: Taking It Further curriculum](#) intended to support people to deepen and extend their learning. Many MBCT teachers offer follow on courses to support the ongoing practice of people who have completed their courses. I have developed a taster of this curriculum that is freely available online as a podcast series, see [here](#). In addition, there are weekly free mindfulness sessions for people with an established mindfulness practice, which are available live or as podcasts - details [here](#).

### MINDFULNESS RETREATS AND RETREAT CENTRES

Each mindfulness retreat centre has its own ethos, approach and level of support. Take care to ensure this aligns with what you're looking for; discuss with a mindfulness teacher who you trust and respect, if necessary to make sure the retreat centre and teacher are a good fit for you.

**The Mindfulness Network**, offers retreats for MBP teachers that aspire to be secular. This group also offer support of personal mindfulness practice]

Insight Meditation Center, Barre, MA, USA. <https://www.dharma.org>

Gaia House Retreats, Devon, UK <https://gaiahouse.co.uk>

Spirit Rick, West coast, USA. <https://www.spiritrock.org>

Plum Village, France. <https://plumvillage.org>

## **MINDFULNESS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE**

It is sometimes said that one of the best ways to teach young people mindfulness is to be mindful! Learning mindfulness for ourselves not only resources us to be effective parents, caregivers and teachers, but provides a model of what we hope young people might learn. So for teachers/parents etc, first learn mindfulness for ourselves ...

That being said, there are lots of resources for young people to learn mindfulness, although the evidence base is much earlier in its development.

At the University of Oxford we have developed this [website](#) for young people which explains what mindfulness is signposts various resources (with support from the Wellcome and Jonny Wilkinson Foundation).

This piece in the New York Times is a nice primer:

<https://www.nytimes.com/guides/well/mindfulness-for-children>. At the end of the article are some book and video recommendations that I know and like.

Headspace has content [for children](#), but older adolescents may prefer their adult content.

[Smiling Mind](#) is a website and app for families and children.

Retreats - iBme offers retreats for young people. There is also a UK branch [here](#).

There are a number of programs that teach mindfulness in schools, including: Learning to Breathe, MindUp (which is broader than mindfulness alone), Wake Up Schools and the Mindfulness in Schools Project which has several curricula. A web search for these programs will bring you to their websites, some of which have some resources for parents and teachers.

YouTube has some nice resources, including these videos:

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DBSIh9vbasQ>

The Psychology Mum has a great Instagram account, providing psychology tips via illustrations:  
<https://www.instagram.com/thepsychologymum/>

The following books are also recommended.

Charlie Makesy. (2019). *The Boy, The Mole, The Fox and The Horse*. Ebury Press. A beautiful illustrated book about hope, vulnerability, friendship and resilience.

For younger children:

Lauren Alderfer and Kerry Lee McLean (2011). *Mindful Monkey, Happy Panda*. Wisdom Publications.

Kerry Lee MacLean, (2009). *Moody Cow Meditates*. Wisdom Publications.

For adolescents:

Dzung X. (2015) *The Mindful Teen: Powerful Skills to Help Handle Stress One Moment at a Time*. New Harbinger.

Christopher Willard (2014). *Mindfulness for Teen Anxiety: A Workbook for Overcoming Anxiety at Home, at School, and Everywhere Else (An Instant Help Book for Teens)*. New Harbinger.

# MINDFULNESS-BASED COGNITIVE THERAPY (MBCT) MANUALS

## Original MBCT for depression manual

**Segal, Z.V., Williams, J.M.G. & Teasdale, J.D. (2013). *Mindfulness-based cognitive therapy for depression*. (2nd ed.). New York: Guilford Press. [MBCT Professionals Manual - New revised edition]**

## BRIEF OVERVIEW

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Perspectives on mindfulness as a confluence of Buddhist and modern psychology:

Feldman, C. & Kuyken, W. (2019). *Mindfulness: Ancient Wisdom Meets Modern Psychology*. New York: Guilford Press.

## ADDITIONAL MBCT ADAPTATIONS

Bartley, T. (2012), *Mindfulness-based cognitive therapy for cancer*. London: Wiley.

Cullen, C. Penman, D. & Williams. *Mindfulness: Finding peace in a frantic world*. Oxford, University of Oxford.

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<http://dx.doi.org/10.1037/a0028782>

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Kuyken, W., Barnard, P., & Baer, R. (In preparation). Mindfulness (-based Cognitive Therapy) for Life: Teacher's Guide. New York: Guilford Press.

Mindfulness in Schools .b and PawsB curricula, see: <http://mindfulnessinschools.org/>

Williams, J.M.G., Fennell, M., Barnhofer, T., Crane, R. & Silverton, S. (2015). Mindfulness and the transformation of despair: Working with people at risk of suicide. New York: Guildford.

## SELF-HELP GUIDES

Baer, R. A. (2014). Practising happiness: how mindfulness can free you from psychological traps and help you build the life you want. London: Constable and Robinson.

**Teasdale, J.D., Williams, J.M.G. & Segal, Z.V. (2014). The mindful way workbook: An 8-week program to free yourself from depression and emotional distress. New York: Guildford. (Includes free CD and downloads of guided meditations).**

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**Williams, M. & Penman, D. (2011). Mindfulness: A practical guide to finding peace in a frantic world. London: Piatkus. (Face-to-face version developed by Mark Williams and Chris Cullen. Includes free CD with guided meditations; based around MBCT but not the full MBCT programme as in the Mindful Way through depression above).**

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### Definition and measurement of mindfulness and related constructs

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**Williams, J. M. G & Kabat-Zinn J. (Eds.). (2013). Mindfulness: Diverse Perspectives on Its Meaning, Origins, and Application. London: Routledge.**

### **Theory – A map of how MBPs work (including papers on the positive valence system)**

**Feldman, C. & Kuyken, W. (2019). Mindfulness: Ancient Wisdom Meets Modern Psychology. New York: Guilford Press.**

Garland, E. L., Farb, N. A., Goldin, P. R., & Fredrickson, B. L. (2015). Mindfulness Broadens Awareness and Builds Eudaimonic Meaning: A Process Model of Mindful Positive Emotion Regulation. *Psychological Inquiry*, 26(4), 293-314. doi:10.1080/1047840x.2015.1064294

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### WEBSITES AND APPS

Web sites/Centres for further information and training related to MBCT, MBCP, insight meditation practice and application:

**AccessMBCT. Searchable international directory of MBCT training organizations and teachers:** <https://www.accessmbct.com>

**Implementation resources based on findings of the ASPIRE project:**  
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Center for Mindfulness (CFM) at the University of Massachusetts Medical School (UMASS):

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University of Bangor, Wales; training in mindfulness-based approaches to healthcare, up to MA/MSc: <http://www.bangor.ac.uk/mindfulness>

University of Exeter, UK; Mindfulness-Based Cognitive Therapies and Approaches  
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For tapes/CDs of meditation practices recorded by Jon Kabat-Zinn:

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## **GOING DEEPER STUDYING AND PRACTISING MEDITATION**

The selection below is meant as an introduction to insight meditation and as an invitation to explore meditation more deeply. Many of these teachers and authors have written more books than are listed here, and have meditation tapes/CDs you can buy. (Dates/publishers of recent paperback editions cited when possible.)

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