# Welcome.

Your session will begin momentarily.

### Sign up for Calm while we wait:

- 1. Download and open the Calm app or scan the appropriate  $\Omega R$  code  $\rightarrow$
- Create an account with a personal email address and go to Profile > Settings (a) > Link Organization Subscription.
- 3. Enter **California Teachers Association** as your organization.
- 4. Enter your Member ID and click 'Submit' to activate your free subscription.

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# Agenda

01	Meditation and Introductions
02	Building a mindfulness habit
03	Calm content
04	30 Days of Mindfulness in the Classroom Curriculum
05	Q&A





# Introduction

### Annie Comstock (she/her)

Customer Success Manager



Located in Seattle, WA



2 years in Jumpstart Americorps Program



Been practicing mindfulness for 13 years









# Introduction

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Customer Success Manager



Located in Philadelphia, PA



3rd Grade Teacher in Baltimore Spanish Teacher in Philly suburbs



Favorite content in Calm: Jeff Warren meditations, Dr. Eric López sleep meditations, piano playlists









# Thinking of our minds like a muscle



MENTAL WELLNESS ROUTINE INCREASED PSYCHOLOGICAL FORTITUDE

INCREASED STRESS RESPONSE

# Calm is scientifically proven to significantly decrease stress

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"Having Calm has been a game changer for me. It has helped me in more ways than one. It has helped with my insomnia, anxiety and stress. It has been a truly priceless resource. THANK YOU!!"

CTA MEMBER TESTIMONIAL

68%

saw improvements in stress levels using Calm 1-2x a week<sup>1</sup>

81%

saw improvements in stress levels using Calm 5+ times a week<sup>1</sup>



### A variety of tools and formats – available anytime, anywhere

Available in 190+ countries • 7 languages: English, Spanish, French, German, Portuguese, Korean & Japanese • New content daily



Breathe • Meditations • Sleep Stories • Music • Work Life • Wisdom • Movement • Dailies



### Add up to 5 dependents

Your Calm app subscription can be shared with up to 5 family members or friends! Once shared, they will each have their own profile and account login.

• Invite your family members or friends over the age of 16 to benefit from Calm with the instructions linked below:

Visit: <a href="http://cal.mn/dependents">http://cal.mn/dependents</a>

"Calm has been an amazing benefit to have! Both my son and I use it daily. It has improved my ability to handle the stressful job of teaching. It's an amazing self-care tool that I couldn't imagine being without now!"







Sleep stories are adult bedtime stories to help settle the busy mind and unwind into a deep sleep. Sleep meditations, music, and soundscapes offer additional tools to help get a great night's sleep.

People who averaged 6 hours or less of sleep per night were about 2.5 times more likely to have frequent mental distress

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""I use the calm app to help me relax before bed and also to help me sleep. Getting sleep helps me be a better teacher."







APP OVERVIEW

### **Meditations**

In Calm, there are both guided and unguided meditations for users of all levels. Meditation sessions range in length from 60 seconds to 60 minutes and you can filter by topic, narrator, and length

#### Meditation topics include:

Managing Emotions

Building Resilience

Çzz Sleep

Focus

Stress & Anxiety

Relationships

"I truly appreciate have this app as a benefit from CTA. I use it every single day. It is such a helpful app- from learning how to meditate, to sleep stories, to calming music/ it is the best. It helps with the stress of teaching. Thank you for having this for us!"







APP OVERVIEW

# Music & Soundscapes

Calm has hundreds of hours of exclusive music tracks engineered and to help you focus during the day, relax or sleep. Calm Music includes original compositions, piano covers, unique collaborations, nature sounds, white noise, and more.

#### Popular artists:

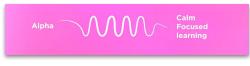
Keith Urban Sabrina Carpenter Kygo Kehlani Alanis Morissette

#### Popular soundscapes:

Baby Shush Campfire Evening Crickets Heavy Rain Ocean Waves



"I play it nearly every time the students are working in groups. It gives the room such a calm vibe. I also play music while I am grading papers and planning lessons. Great background music. Thank you so much."









Calm Masterclasses are educational, inspirational, audio programs taught by world-renowned experts.

#### Motivate Yourself:

- Living with Intention with Matthew McConaughey
- Breathe Into It with Shawn Mendes
- The 4 Pillars of Health

#### Create Healthy Habits:

- Breaking Bad Habits with Dr. Judson Brewer
- Discovering Happiness with Shawn Achor
- Make Healthy Habits Stick with Michelle Segar

#### Strengthen Your Relationships:

- How to Really Listen with Kate Murphy
- On Vulnerability with Jason Rogers
- Radical Self-Compassion with Tara Brach







Original kids content with beloved characters and celebrity narrators.

- New weekly sleep stories, meditations, lullabies, soundscapes and music
- Novel characters like Peppa Pig, Kung Fu Panda, Thomas & Friends, & Minions
- 87% of parents felt that Calm was helpful for kids' sleep

87%

Of parents said Calm was helpful for kids' sleep

<u>Calm for Parents Blog</u>





# Mindful Connections & Elevating Relationships

Guided meditations for nurturing healthier connections with others

- Build community and connection mindfully by fostering compassion and curiosity
- Explore ways to navigate conflicts with empathy and resilience, fostering healthy relationships
- Cultivate meaningful bonds habitually; incorporate these relationship-building sessions into your routine





Meaningful Friendship



Love and Relationships



**Dating Courageously** 



Grieving



# Mind & Body

Nurture your body and mind with mindful activities

- Engage in a mindful approach to physical well-being
- Explore masterclasses for informed lifestyle choices
- Uplevel your existing physical health or fitness routine by incorporating mindfulness and breathwork into your routine





Mindful Walk



The 4 Pillars of Health



A Mindful Run



Train Your Mind



Breaking Bad Habits



The Daily Move

## Self-Care for Teachers



Self-Care Guide for Teachers

Taking care of yourself is crucial, especially as an educator, because your well-being directly impacts your ability to inspire, support, and nurture the growth and development of the children and young adults you influence every day.

#### This guide includes:

- Mindfulness practices
- Self-care routines
- Sleep support
- Healthy habit formation

## Mindfulness Curriculum for Students



6-12 Curriculum

Calm has designed a 30 Days of Mindfulness in the Classroom curriculum to fit into state education standards to teach Social Emotional Learning and emotional regulation tools.

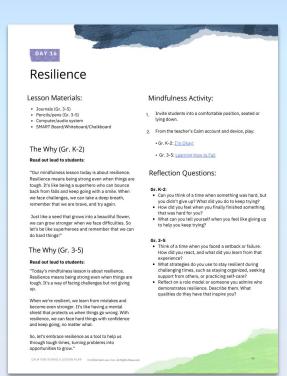
#### This program includes:

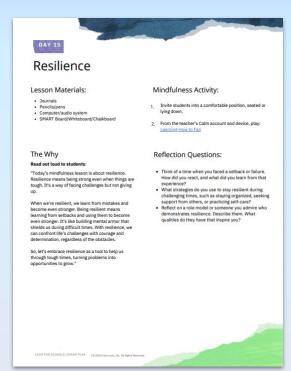
- Age segmentation to provide developmentally appropriate content for classrooms: K-2, 3-5, 6-12
- Introductions and reflection questions to build on content shared



"I have been using the 30 Days of Calm in the classroom - and the Daily Move (on occasion). I think the benefits for the students are fantastic! If we can teach them these skills at a young age (4/5 grades) I think they will be well prepared for the future. These mindfulness skills can be so beneficial to these young people as they move forward with their education - socially, and academically."

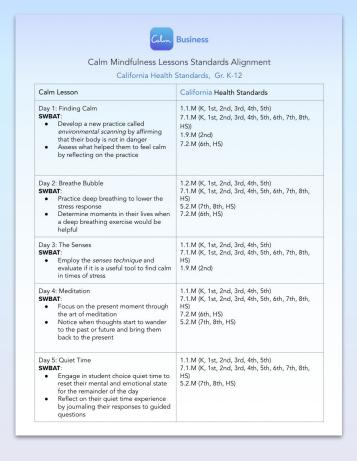
### Curriculum





- 30 lessons that can be used daily, or used as desired
- Age segmentation, the lessons are the same topics for each grade, content differs
- Introduction, Activity,
   Reflection
- Lessons are ordered intentionally:
  - Foundations, emotions, mind-body connection, then advanced topics like gratitude, focus training, and visualizing goals

# Education Standards Alignment



# Supplemental Materials



#### Day 1

environmental scanning - looking around and paying attention to what's happening in the world around us.

stress - when you feel worried, nervous, or overwhelmed because of something that's happening or something you need to do.

#### Day 2

tension/tense - your muscles are tight or stiff, like when you squeeze your fists really hard or scrunch your shoulders up. It's what happens when you feel worried or stressed breath - the air you take in and out of your body.

calm - feeling peaceful and relaxed.
physical - anything related to your body or things you can touch.

emotional - how you feel inside. It's the way you feel happy, sad, excited, or scared.

#### Day 3

senses - how your body knows what's happening around you. Most of us have five senses: sight, hearing, taste, touch, and smell.

grounded - feeling calm, steady, safe, and secure. You're not too worried or stressed and feel like you're in a good place. It's like having your feet firmly on the ground.

#### Day 4

meditation - quietly focusing on your breathing or thinking about calm things.

mindfulness - paying close attention to what's happening right now, being aware of your thoughts and feelings.

#### Day 5

recharge - fill up your energy when you feel tired or drained. It's like when your phone's battery is low, you plug it in to charge it up.

presence - being fully there in the moment, paying attention to what's happening around

#### Day 6

**body scan** - taking some quiet time to pay attention to each part of your body from your head to your toes.

#### Day 7

feelings - how you feel inside, like happy, sad, or excited. judgment - when you decide if something is good or bad, right or wrong. reclaim - to take something back, like when you get back something that was yours.

#### Day 8

regulate - control or adjust something.

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#### Lesson Objectives

#### Day 1: Finding Calm

- Develop a new practice called environmental scanning by
- affirming that their body is not in danger

   Assess what helped them to feel calm by reflecting on the

#### Day 2: Breathe Bubble

Practice deep breathing to lower the stress response
 Determine moments in their lives when a deep breathing exercise would be helpful.

#### Day 3: The Senses

 Employ the senses technique and evaluate if it is a useful tool to find calm in times of stress

#### Day 4: Meditation

- Focus on the present moment through the art of
   moditation.
- Notice when thoughts start to wander to the past or future and bring them back to the present

#### Day 5: Quiet Time

- Engage in student choice quiet time to reset their mental and emotional state for the remainder of the day
- Reflect on their quiet time experience by journaling their responses to guided questions

#### Day 6: Body Scan SWBAT:

- Examine how their body feels through a body scan to become more in tune with their needs
- Reflect on the body scan by journaling their responses to guided questions

#### Day 7: Feelings

- Make space for their feelings and respond with care and
   appreciation.
- Reflect on their preconceived judgments about feelings

#### Day 8: Managing Emotions

 Identify strong emotions and what it feels like in the body
 Identify and practice breathing techniques as a tool to manage strong emotions

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#### Day 9: Counting the Breath

- Examine how our emotional state affects our
- Examine how our emotional state affects our breathing patterns
- Determine which breathing pattern works best to calm themselves down when they are stressed

#### Day 10: Mental Fitness

 Define mental fitness and the benefits of maintaining it

#### Day 11: Weather Report SWBAT:

- Differentiate their awareness from their thoughts and
- emotions through a drawing activity
   Reflect on their weather drawing by journaling their responses to guided questions

#### Day 12: Breathing Meditation

- Use the breath to self-regulate when feeling stressed
- Identify other situations in their daily lives where a breathing meditation might help them

#### Day 13: Remembering Joy

- SWBAT:
- Reduce stress and build resilience by recalling a happy memory and reliving it
- Reflect on their experience of remembering joy by journaling their responses to guided questions

#### Day 14: Loving Kindness SWBAT:

- Train their minds to develop feelings of care and compassion for themselves and others
- Reflect on the loving kindness meditation by journaling their responses to guided questions

#### Day 15: Mindful Eating

- Execute a form of mindfulness called mindful eating
- Enhance their awareness of the type (and amount) of food they are putting into their bodies and if it nourishes them or not





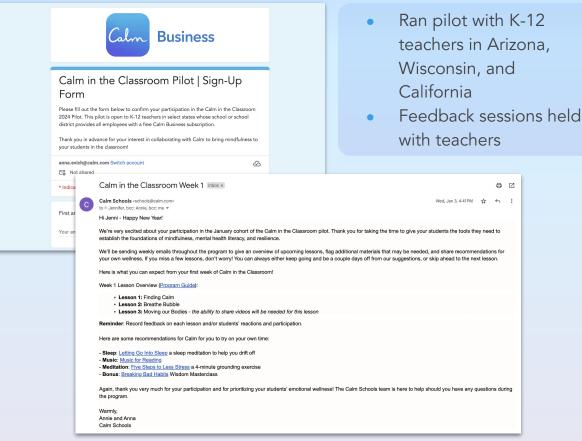
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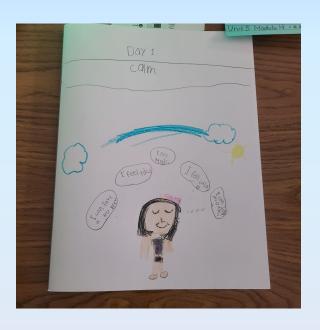
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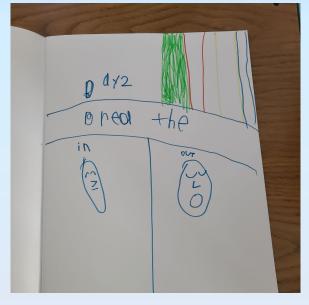
# Calm in the Classroom Teacher Pilot Program





# Student Journal Examples - 1st Grade







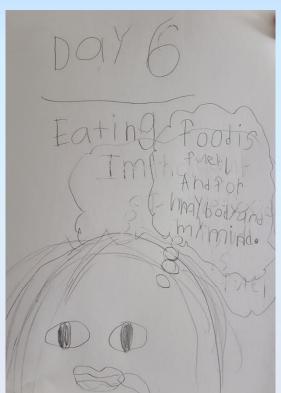
Finding Calm

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Moving Our Bodies & Resting with Music

# Student Journal Examples - 1st Grade





Mindful Eating

# Real Feedback from Teachers in the Pilot

#### Reflection Questions:

Gr. K-3: Ask students to share their answers to the following questions in the form of a group discussion:

**Gr.4-12**: Ask students to journal their responses to the following questions (display on board):

- How did you feel before you moved?
- What did it feel like to be in stillness after the movement?
- · What did you feel like after the activity?

#### Wins

- Gave students journals surprise you what they reflect on
- Details they put in their journals "I can use this at home."
- Sometimes they drew it "I'm doing it at home in my bed."

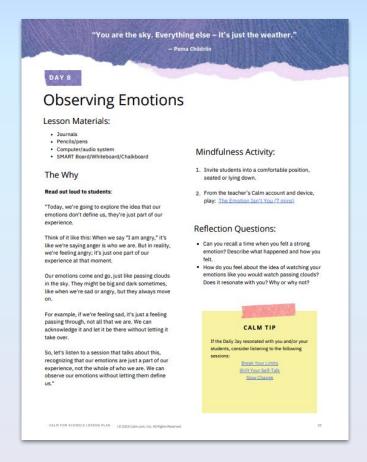
#### Challenges

- At first it was a challenge, activities & reflection questions these were skills they had to learn how to do
- At first, difficult to listen to music and sit still they'd be rolling around
- Almost halfway through, noticed a difference needs to be explicitly taught

#### Other

- Great for 1st graders to have journals too
- Also liked to draw as a reflection/while they were listening to music
- Blank journal no lines, no expectation of writing pictures, or words, or both up to them to decide
- Sometimes they would ask to use their Calm journal outside of the mindfulness lessons time

# Gr. 6-12 Day 8: Observing Emotions



# Lesson Reflection Questions



## Reflect

Can you recall a time when you felt a strong emotion? Describe what happened and how you felt.



### Reflect

How do you feel about the idea of watching your emotions like you would watch passing clouds? Does it resonate with you? Why or why not?



# Turn and Talk



## Reflect & Share

How do you see yourself implementing Calm's 30 Days of Mindfulness in the Classroom with your students?



## Reflect & Share

What did you anticipate or hope that your students will get out of this curriculum?



# Reflect & Share

How do you plan to use Calm to support your own well-being?







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