The Parenting Map

Step-by-Step Solutions to Consciously Create the Ultimate Parent-Child Relationship

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Step Four: End the Chase for Happiness and Success

PUTTING IT INTO PRACTICE

	Mom	Dad	Culture	You
Success	Get A grades	Make a lot of money	Buy a fancy house and car	Be real, be genuine, have friends, laugh
Happiness				
Good/Bad				
Love				
Marriage				
Parenthood				
Money				
Sex				
Beauty				

Step Eight: Catch Your Ego

PUTTING IT INTO PRACTICE

Relationship	Primary Mask	Secondary Mask	Memories	Feelings
Mom	Fighter	Fleer	I was around 8 years old and my mom yelled at me for breaking her beautiful China dish. She thought I was being purposely careless. She called me a no-good loser. After that she literally didn't speak to me for days.	I felt like disappearing. I hated those long periods of silence. I was terrified of them.
Dad				
Siblings				
Self (

Step Eleven: Activate Your Third *I*

PUTTING IT INTO PRACTICE

	Inner Child	Impostor Ego	Insightful Self
Fighter	I'm a failure.	I will fix you.	You are scared. You feel out of control. There is nothing to control.
Fixer	I'm not loved.	I will please you.	You are scared. You want to fix it all. There is nothing to fix.
Feigner	I don't belong.	I will make you like me.	You are scared. You want them to like you. You are liked as you are.
Freezer	I'm not good enough.	I will ignore you.	You are scared. You want to ignore it all. There is no need to ignore it.
Fleer	I'm not worthy.	I will leave you.	You are scared. You want to leave it all. You can try to stay.

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