Emotions Worksheet

The following exercise was developed by Douglas Weiss and the Heart to Heart Counseling Center in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

To use it, pick an emotion at random (I actually keep numbers in a box at my desk for people to draw from when doing this exercise, to help keep the selections random). Insert that emotion in the two statements below. This will help you to get more in touch with your full range of emotions and learn to better communicate them with others. Do five to ten of these a day until you are able to identify and communicate your full range of feelings in every situation.

If you are doing this exercise with someone else (a spouse, counselor, or trusted friend), be sure to not use the other person as an example, keep eye contact, and make a rule that there will be no feedback for your statements (the purpose of this exercise is not to judge or heal or correct any emotions—it's just to identify and communicate them). Take turns sharing with each other.

It often helps to have a dictionary nearby when doing this exercise to be sure you understand the full meaning of each emotion. Try your best to answer each one honestly, even if it's difficult. Do understand, however, that not everyone has felt every emotion in this list (for example, some men may not ever remember feeling "beautiful"), so if you get stuck or simply have not experienced a particular feeling, just move on to the next one.

Read the following statements with the feeling you've chosen from the list on the following pages . . .

- 1. I feel (put feeling word here) when (put a present situation when you feel this).
- 2. I first remember feeling (put the same feeling word here) when (explain your earliest occurrence of this feeling).

Feelings:

1.	Abandoned	7. Admired	13. Aloof
2.	Abused	8. Adored	14. Aggravated
3.	Aching	9. Adventurous	15. Agreeable
4.	Accepted	10. Affectionate	16. Aggressive
5.	Accused	11. Agony	17. Alive
6.	Accepting	12. Alienated	18. Alone

19. Alluring	48. Beaten	77. Certain
20. Amazed	49. Beautiful	78. Chased
21. Amused	50. Belligerent	79. Cheated
22. Angry	51. Belittled	80. Cheerful
23. Anguished	52. Bereaved	81. Childlike
24. Annoyed	53. Betrayed	82. Choked up
25. Anxious	54. Bewildered	83. Close
26. Apart	55. Blamed	84. Cold
27. Apathetic	56. Blaming	85. Comfortable
28. Apologetic	57. Bonded	86. Comforted
29. Appreciated	58. Bored	87. Competent
30. Appreciative	59. Bothered	88. Competitive
31. Apprehensive	60. Brave	89. Complacent
32. Appropriate	61. Breathless	90. Complete
33. Approved	62. Bristling	91. Confident
34. Argumentative	63. Broken up	92. Confused
35. Aroused	64. Bruised	93. Considerate
36. Astonished	65. Bubbly	94. Consumed
37. Assertive	66. Burdened	95. Content
38. Attached	67. Burned	96. Cool
39. Attacked	68. Callous	97. Courageous
40. Attentive	69. Calm	98. Courteous
41. Attractive	70. Capable	99. Coy
42. Aware	71. Captivated	100. Crabby
43. Awestruck	72. Carefree	101. Cranky
44. Badgered	73. Careful	102. Crazy
45. Baited	74. Careless	103. Creative
46. Bashful	75. Caring	104. Critical
47. Battered	76. Cautious	105. Criticized

106. Cross	135. Disinterested	164. Fascinated
107. Crushed	136. Dispirited	165. Feisty
108. Cuddly	137. Distressed	166. Ferocious
109. Curious	138. Distrustful	167. Foolish
110. Cut	139. Distrusted	168. Forced
111. Damned	140. Disturbed	169. Forceful
112. Dangerous	141. Dominated	170. Forgiven
113. Daring	142. Domineering	171. Forgotten
114. Dead	143. Doomed	172.Free
115. Deceived	144. Doubtful	173. Friendly
116. Deceptive	145. Dreadful	174. Frightened
117. Defensive	146. Eager	175. Frustrated
118. Delicate	147. Ecstatic	176. Full
119. Delighted	148. Edgy	177. Funny
120. Demeaned	149. Edified	178. Furious
121. Demoralized	150. Elated	179. Gay
122. Dependent	151. Embarrassed	180. Generous
123. Depressed	152. Empowered	181. Gentle
124. Deprived	153. Empty	182. Genuine
125. Deserted	154. Enraged	183. Giddy
126. Desirable	155. Enraptured	184. Giving
127. Desired	156. Enthusiastic	185. Goofy
128. Despair	157. Enticed	186. Grateful
129. Despondent	158. Esteemed	187. Greedy
130. Destroyed	159. Exasperated	188. Grief
131. Different	160. Excited	189. Grim
132. Dirty	161. Exhilarated	190. Grimy
133. Disenchanted	162. Exposed	191. Grouchy
134. Disgusted	163. Fake	192. Grumpy

193. Hard	222.Innocent	251. Maudlin
194. Harried	223. Insignificant	252. Malicious
195. Hassled	224. Insincere	253. Mean
196. Healthy	225. Isolated	254. Miserable
197. Helpful	226. Inspired	255. Misunderstood
198. Helpless	227. Insulted	256. Moody
199. Hesitant	228. Interested	257. Morose
200. High	229. Intimate	258. Mournful
201. Hollow	230. Intolerant	259. Mystified
202. Honest	231. Involved	260. Nasty
203. Hopeful	232. Irate	261. Nervous
204. Hopeless	233. Irrational	262. Nice
205. Horrified	234. Irked	263. Numb
206. Hostile	235. Irresponsible	264. Nurtured
207. Humiliated	236. Irritable	265. Nuts
208. Hurried	237. Irritated	266. Obsessed
209. Hurt	238. Isolated	267. Offended
210. Hyper	239. Jealous	268. Open
211. Ignorant	240. Jittery	269. Ornery
212. Ignored	241. Joyous	270. Out of control
213. Immature	242. Lively	271. Overcome
214. Impatient	243. Lonely	272. Overjoyed
215. Important	244. Loose	273. Overpowered
216.Impotent	245. Lost	274. Overwhelmed
217. Impressed	246. Loving	275. Pampered
218. Incompetent	247. Low	276. Panicked
219. Incomplete	248. Lucky	277. Paralyzed
220. Independent	249. Lustful	278. Paranoid
221. Insecure	250. Mad	279. Patient

280. Peaceful	309. Relaxed	338. Self-centered
281. Pensive	310. Relieved	339. Self-conscious
282. Perceptive	311. Remarkable	340. Selfish
283. Perturbed	312. Remembered	341. Separated
284. Phony	313. Removed	342. Sensuous
285. Pleasant	314. Repulsed	343. Sexy
286. Pleased	315. Repulsive	344. Shattered
287. Positive	316. Resentful	345. Shocked
288. Powerless	317. Resistant	346. Shot down
289. Present	318. Responsible	347. Shy
290. Precious	319. Responsive	348. Sickened
291. Pressured	320. Repressed	349. Silly
292. Pretty	321. Respected	350. Sincere
293. Proud	322. Restless	351. Sinking
294. Pulled apart	323. Revolved	352.Smart
295. Put down	324. Riled	353. Smothered
296. Puzzled	325. Rotten	354. Smug
297. Quarrelsome	326. Ruined	355. Sneaky
298. Queer	327. Sad	356. Snowed
299. Quiet	328. Safe	357. Soft
300. Raped	329. Satiated	358. Solid
301. Ravished	330. Satisfied	359. Solitary
302. Ravishing	331. Scared	360. Sorry
303. Real	332.Scolded	361. Spacey
304. Refreshed	333. Scorned	362. Special
305. Regretful	334. Scrutinized	363. Spiteful
306. Rejected	335. Secure	364. Spontaneous
307. Rejuvenated	336. Seduced	365. Squelched
308. Rejecting	337. Seductive	366. Starved

367.Stiff	396. Tormented	425. Used
368. Stimulated	397.Torn	426. Useful
369. Stifled	398. Tortured	427. Useless
370. Strangled	399. Touched	428. Unworthy
371.Strong	400. Trapped	429. Validated
372. Stubborn	401. Tremendous	430. Valuable
373.Stuck	402.Tricked	431. Valued
374. Stunned	403. Trusted	432. Victorious
375.Stupid	404. Trustful	433. Violated
376. Subdued	405. Trusting	434. Violent
377. Submissive	406. Ugly	435. Voluptuous
378. Successful	407. Unacceptable	436. Vulnerable
379. Suffocated	408. Unapproachable	437. Warm
380. Sure	409. Unaware	438. Wary
381.Sweet	410. Uncertain	439. Weak
382. Sympathy	411. Uncomfortable	440. Whipped
383. Tainted	412. Under control	441. Whole
384. Tearful	413. Understanding	442. Wicked
385.Tender	414. Understood	443. Wild
386.Tense	415. Undesirable	444. Willing
387. Terrific	416. Unfriendly	445. Wiped out
388. Terrified	417. Ungrateful	446. Wishful
389.Thrilled	418. Unified	447. Withdrawn
390. Ticked	419. Unhappy	448. Wonderful
391.Tickled	420. Unimpressed	449. Worried
392. Tight	421. Unsafe	450. Worthy
393.Timid	422. Unstable	451. Wounded
394.Tired	423. Upset	452. Young
395. Tolerant	424. Uptight	453. Zapped