Scale	Body & Brain Behaviors	Possible Strategies to Use
5	 Brain is not thinking rationally Complete sense of panic Body is in Flight, Flee, Freeze response Loss of control 	 Take Space Breath Be Safe-find a safe space Others may need to intervene to keep you safe Grounding Exercises
4	 Brain is not totally thinking rationally Body flooded with stress hormones Beginning of Flight, Flee, Freeze Panic beginning to set in 	 Take Space Breath Remove self from the space/situation if helpful Stop Engaging - Try to remember, you are not thinking clearly nowthis will pass Grounding Exercises
3	 With some significant effort and conscientious use of strategies, can be flexible and think of others May need support to problem solve Rigidity may start to set in Beginning to have irrational thoughts Possible heightened Anxiety 	 Breath Take Space (physically or emotionally) Scale the Problem (it's probably not as big as it feels) Ask for Help Slow Down, Remember, Thinking Flexibly can help Remember that feelings come and go Think "Do I have a Thought Error?" Find an Antidote Thought / Mantra Locate and Relax tension in your body
2	 With some effort, can be flexible and think of others Able to change thoughts and expectations Able to problem solve Anxiety may be kicking in 	 Breath Scale the Problem Positive Self Talk / Mantra Think a Flexible Thought What is your feeling telling you?
1	 Able to think flexibly Able to think of others Able to change expectations Able to change behaviors 	 Breath Relax and release any tension Positive Self Talk Be Flexible