

If you are feeling anxious or panicky, the Backwards Thinking Grounding Technique can help calm you and bring you back to the present moment. Concentrating on doing something backwards - like counting, spelling, or reading - is a mental challenge that forces you to slow down and takes your attention off the intense feelings of anxiety, worry, or panic.

"Backwards Thinking" things you can do:

- Read a page of a book in reverse
- Count backwards from 100
- Spell names of things you see around you backwards
- Say the aphabet in reverse
- Count backwards from 100 in increments of 2