

FINDING A NEW NORMAL: A SCHOLARLY
PERSONAL NARRATIVE ON RESILIENCE DURING
THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

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Outline

- Review the study of resilience
 - Resilience as a process
- Introduction to scholarly personal narratives
- Sharing personal experiences with the application of the resiliency process
- Recommendations

The Study of Resilience

Resilience research reaches multiple disciplines, with each discipline incorporating certain aspects of the theoretical framework into their definition.

Fletcher and Sarkar (2013)

- In psychology the aspects of **adversity** and **positive adaptation** must be present for someone to demonstrate resilience

Berkes and Ross (2013)

- Community resilience: social ecological vs. Psychology and mental health
 - Social-ecological systems benefit communities **tied to place and resource**
 - Psychology and mental health benefits communities **independent of resources**

Resilience as a Process

- Glenn Richardson (2002)
 - *Begins with biopsychospiritual homeostasis*
 - *Encountering disruptions*
 - Intrusive thought
 - Death of a loved one
 - Global pandemic
 - *Choice to:*
 - Resiliently reintegrate
 - Reintegrate back to homeostasis
 - Reintegrate with loss
 - Or reintegrate with dysfunction



Scholarly Personal Narratives

Nash (2011) Introduced this alternative form of scholarly writing as a way to liberate the writer from the confinements of traditional academic writing while still maintaining rigor.

There are four different components:

- Pre-Search
 - *Brainstorming, free-writing, self-reflection*
- Me-Search
 - *The realization that the writer's story is worth telling*
- ReSearch
 - *Collecting literature to support the writer's story*
- We-Search
 - *A unique characteristic of SPNs from other non-scholarly personal narratives*

My First Encounter with Resilience



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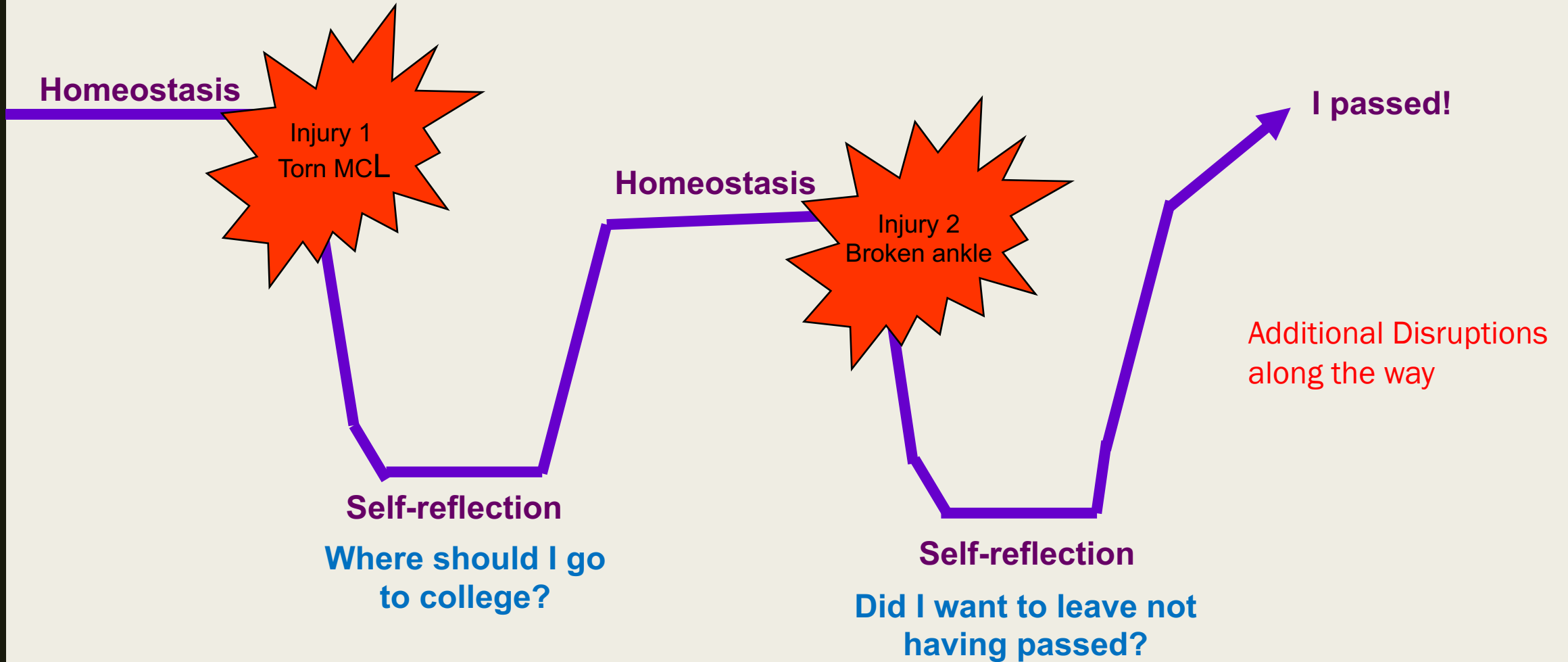


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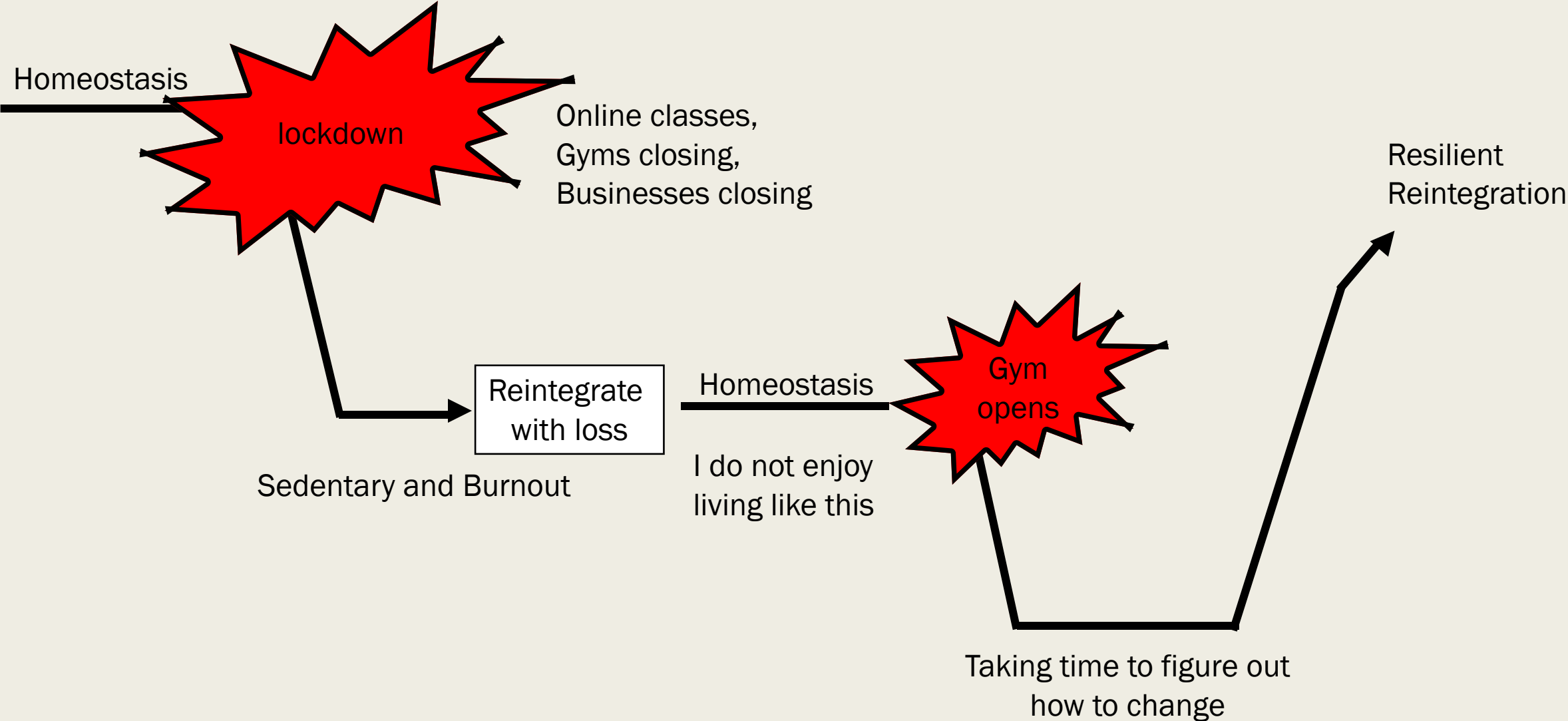


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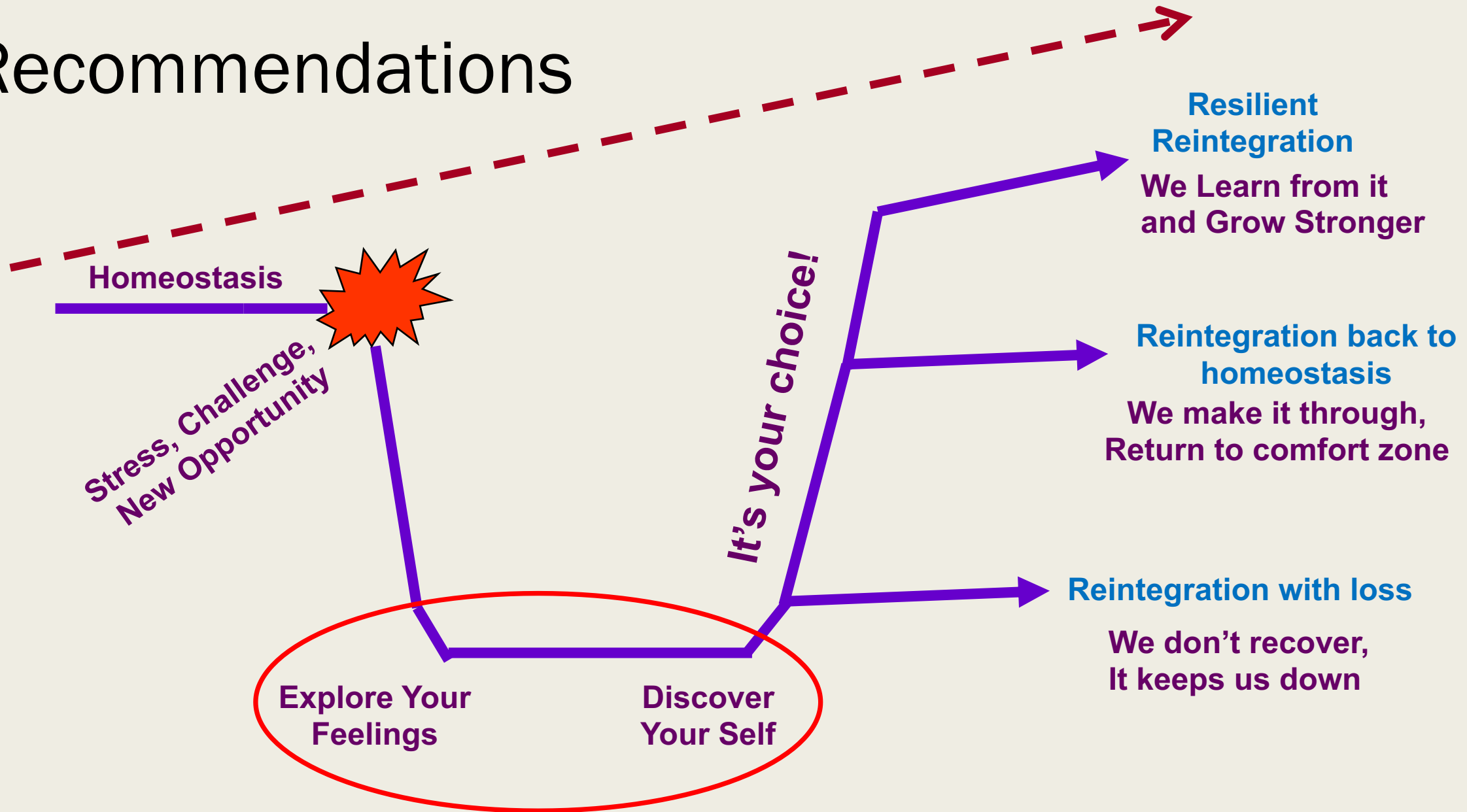
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Resiliency Process During COVID-19 Lockdown



Recommendations



Thank You For Watching

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