



ONWARD HONESTLY BOOKS

The 30-Day Check-In

A short return page for noticing what changed —
without grading yourself on it.

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HOW TO USE THIS

A day is a detail. A pattern needs more than one.

A single day is a noisy unit of measurement. Sleep, weather, a difficult message, money, pain, workload, and plain luck all change how one day feels. Treating each evening as a final report makes ordinary variation look like a verdict.

This page asks you to look at a longer stretch instead — and to look for capacity rather than absence. Not *am I over it*, but *what takes up less space than it did, and what still needs support?*

THREE RULES

Date it. The comparison is the whole point.

Do not force a positive trend. If the pattern is flat, write that. A month with no new crisis still contains information.

Do not grade yourself. This is a record, not a report card.

There are three copies of the page that follows — use them at thirty, sixty, and ninety days, or whenever an ordinary day makes something newly visible. If the honest answer to a prompt is *nothing has changed*, that is a real answer and it belongs on the page.

One caution. A longer view should help you see reality more accurately, not talk you out of a concern. If ordinary functioning is declining, or distress is persisting or worsening, consider what additional practical or qualified support is needed. If you may be in immediate danger, contact local emergency services or a trusted crisis resource in your country.

THIRTY DAYS LATER

DATE: _____

What is different now?

WHAT TAKES UP LESS SPACE THAN IT DID

WHAT STILL DESERVES CARE

Naming this is not a setback. Some things stay tender for a long time.

ONE THING I HANDLED DIFFERENTLY

ONE PERSON OR RESOURCE I USED

WHAT I NEED NOW

MY NEXT HONEST STEP

One action. Small enough to be real, specific enough to recognize when it is done.

SIXTY DAYS LATER

DATE: _____

What is different now?

WHAT TAKES UP LESS SPACE THAN IT DID

WHAT STILL DESERVES CARE

Naming this is not a setback. Some things stay tender for a long time.

ONE THING I HANDLED DIFFERENTLY

ONE PERSON OR RESOURCE I USED

WHAT I NEED NOW

MY NEXT HONEST STEP

One action. Small enough to be real, specific enough to recognize when it is done.

NINETY DAYS LATER

DATE: _____

What is different now?

WHAT TAKES UP LESS SPACE THAN IT DID

WHAT STILL DESERVES CARE

Naming this is not a setback. Some things stay tender for a long time.

ONE THING I HANDLED DIFFERENTLY

ONE PERSON OR RESOURCE I USED

WHAT I NEED NOW

MY NEXT HONEST STEP

One action. Small enough to be real, specific enough to recognize when it is done.

CLOSING

A useful return is not proof that the reset is over.

It is evidence that your relationship to it can change.

Perspective rarely arrives as a day when the story suddenly costs nothing to tell. More often it shows up in smaller changes: you mention what happened without losing the rest of the afternoon, you pass the old place and regain your footing sooner, you stop explaining every detail in order to be believed.

If your pages look almost identical three months apart, that is worth taking seriously — not as failure, but as information. It may mean the situation needs a different kind of support than reflection alone can provide.

Where this continues

- **The Honest Next Step** — a weekly letter: one reflection, one useful question, one realistic next step.
- **The Reset You Didn't Choose** — fifty honest reflections for finding your footing after an unwanted change.
- **The Reset Toolkit** — the complete printable workbook these pages are drawn from.

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