## Assess the Situation – A Practical Activity

For a Leading in Rehabilitation Course by Jason Giesbrecht

This activity provides an opportunity to practice and strengthen the emotional intelligence subscale of Reality Testing and Situation Awareness within the context of a real-life situation. Fill in the table below to complete the activity.

STEP 1: Describe an emotionally charged (positive or negative) situation from your past. It could be a work or personal situation.	
<ul> <li>STEP 2: Answer the "Level 1" questions below:</li> <li>What happened?</li> <li>What did I observe?</li> <li>Who was involved?</li> <li>Where and when did the situation occur?</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>STEP 3: Answer the "Level 2" questions below:</li> <li>Why did this happen?</li> <li>What's really going on?</li> <li>How am I feeling about this situation?</li> <li>How does the outcome of this situation align with my expectations, goals, or desires?</li> <li>What are the contextual influences (past experience, culture)</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>STEP 4: Answer the "Level 3" questions below:</li> <li>How will this situation impact the future?</li> <li>How is the situation changing?</li> <li>How likely is the situation to occur again?</li> <li>What might get in the way?</li> <li>What decision do I need to make?</li> </ul>	