

Terry's Story Study Guide




“Mending the Broken Heart”

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Key Concepts

Mending the Broken Heart
Mentoring a Spirit of Gentleness
The impact of Gentle Teaching on Terry's life
Our Tools (Hands, Words, Eyes, Presence)
Building Companionship and Community
Concrete vs. Abstract Language
Building Relationships vs. Modifying Behavior
Creating New Memories vs. Old Memories



When this  appears, please pause for discussion.
Extra space is provided for your own reflections as you watch Terry's story.



Part I:

Pause and discuss: *Why do you think Terry responds as he does to each of Tony’s questions?*

Questions: “How does that heart feel now?” “How do those shock treatments make you feel?”

A) _____

Question: “How would that heart feel if people gave you a hug?”

B) _____

Question: “Would you rather have shock treatments – or would you rather have a hug?”

C) _____



Part II:

Pause, think and discuss: *Now that Terry knows the answer, how do we use our tools to teach Terry he is safe & loved?*



Part III:

Our Tools: _____, _____, _____, & _____

Pause and discuss: *What are our tools to teach the individual to feel safe and loved? What is our purpose with our tools?*



Part IV:

Pause and discuss: *How does Terry perceive “community”? The goal of caregiving is to build companionship and community (see the Elements of Companionship.)*



Part V:

Pause and discuss: *Terry’s new home as well as his perception of the difference between shock treatments and a Hug. (Tony & Terry)*



Part VI:

Pause and discuss: *How will you use your tools to build companionship and community with individuals you will be working with? (Tony & Terry)*



Part VII:

Pause and discuss: *Concrete vs. abstract language and building relationships vs. modifying behavior. (Mark & Terry)*



Part VIII:

Pause and discuss: *What is Terry's reaction to going to the dance and how does Mark help create new memories and build a relationship with Terry?*

Final Thoughts:

The Elements of Companionship

Interactions	Coldness	1	2	3	4	5	<i>Warmth</i>
Dialogue	Talk	1	2	3	4	5	<i>Listening</i>
Protection	Restraint	1	2	3	4	5	<i>Warm</i>
Rewards	Earned	1	2	3	4	5	<i>Unconditional</i>
Companionship	Poor	1	2	3	4	5	<i>Good</i>
Engagement	Self	1	2	3	4	5	<i>Together</i>
Purpose of the Relationship	Modify Behaviors	1	2	3	4	5	<i>Build Relationship</i>
Our Focus	Rigid	1	2	3	4	5	<i>Flexible</i>
Memories	Old	1	2	3	4	5	<i>Creating New</i>
Language	Abstract	1	2	3	4	5	<i>Concrete</i>