■ FLEXIBILITY – Be willing to do things differently

Recognize what's not working and be willing to change what you're doing to achieve your goal.

Flexibility is the willingness to try something different when we realize that what we're doing isn't working. Many times a day we are faced with situations that are different from what we had originally planned. One way to deal with these situations is to be rigid and continue to do things in the same way over and over—another is to handle them with flexibility. Being flexible is responding to changing or new situations in ways that move us forward.

Flexibility is about not getting locked into one way of doing something. If we're trying to achieve something (like getting up on time in the morning) and it's just not working, we try another way (like moving the alarm clock to the other side of the room so we have to get up to shut it off). Flexibility is about recognizing all kinds of habits or patterns or activities in our life that aren't working and changing them, and even changing them again until we find the one that works!