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How you choose to perceive a situation affects your stress levels. Fill in this worksheet once a day for seven days to begin to divide your thoughts so that you are able to make conscious choices:

Situation:	Someone cuts you off in traffic	
	Stressful	Neutral/Calm
Brain:	He/she ignored me or purposely got in my way	That person must be in a hurry. I hope everything is okay.
Emotions:	Angry, frustrated, stressed	Concerned for the other person; well-wishing; grateful for own health and health of loved ones
Body:	Stomach cramps, hot, heart pounding, tight jaw	Feel comfortable, relaxed
Choice:	Tailgate them	Drive safely to maintain own health

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