

# PROBLEM, SOLUTION.

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👉 Unsure → Analyze (PSC123)

👉 Sure → Apply Proven Solution

When unsure then PSC123

PROBLEM. Question

SOLUTIONS. write all options pros cons

CRITERIA. Goals, Needs.

When sure of tested solution then PSR

PROBLEM: Name the situation/problem

SOLUTION: Name the proven solution

REASON this is a good solution: BECAUSE or BENEFIT: (PSB)

- Pros, Benefits
- Cons avoided. Prevents problems, mistakes, regrets.
- Meets goals, needs, criteria

BB. IF this problem/situation then do this action because of these reasons.

BB. God says...

"Temptation → Flee + PSC123"

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Use this library to see proven solutions to common problems.

If you're unsure, analyze using PSC123.

If you're sure, apply the solution and note the reasons to reinforce your decision-making skills."

Main Library Page (Hub)

- Short introduction:  
"This library contains common life problems and proven solutions using the DM101 method.
- Each category is a separate post for easy reference."
- **Category links (spokes):**
  1. Life Difficulties → [Link to Life Difficulties post]
  2. Relationships → [Link to Relationships post]
  3. Work / School → [Link to Work / School post]
  4. Finances → [Link to Finances post]
  5. Spiritual / Moral Choices → [Link to Spiritual / Moral Choices post]
  6. Habits / Self-Control → [Link to Habits / Self-Control post]
  7. Health / Fitness → [Link to Health / Fitness post]
- Optional: small **search bar or filter** so users can type a keyword and find a problem quickly

## Scenarios

**Problem → Solution → Reason**

### **Category 1: Everyday Life / Productivity**

1.

PROBLEM: Car doesn't start

SOLUTION: Call AAA and take it to a mechanic

REASON: They can fix the car safely and ensure transportation.

2.

PROBLEM: Running late for an appointment

SOLUTION: Call ahead to let them know and adjust schedule

REASON: Shows responsibility, reduces stress, and preserves relationships.

3.

PROBLEM: Forgetting an important task

SOLUTION: Use a planner or set phone reminders

REASON: Prevents missed deadlines, reduces stress, and improves reliability.

4.

PROBLEM: Impulse online shopping

SOLUTION: Wait 24 hours and review need vs want

REASON: Avoids buyer's remorse, saves money, and meets financial goals.

5.

PROBLEM: Overcommitting to tasks

SOLUTION: Prioritize and say "no" to low-priority requests

REASON: Protects time, reduces stress, and maintains focus on important goals.

6.

PROBLEM: Poor work habits

SOLUTION: Use time-blocking and set reminders

REASON: Increases productivity, builds discipline, and meets career/learning goals.

7.

PROBLEM: Trouble remembering deadlines

SOLUTION: Use a calendar or app to track important dates

REASON: Increases reliability, reduces stress, and prevents missed tasks.

8.

PROBLEM: Difficulty completing a big project

SOLUTION: Break it into smaller tasks with deadlines

REASON: Increases focus, reduces overwhelm, and improves completion rate.

9.

PROBLEM: Overloaded with notifications

SOLUTION: Turn off non-essential notifications and schedule focused work time

REASON: Reduces distraction, improves productivity, and preserves focus.

10.

PROBLEM: Temptation to procrastinate on homework

SOLUTION: Set a timer for focused work with short breaks

REASON: Increases focus, ensures progress, and builds discipline.

11.

PROBLEM: Decision under pressure

SOLUTION: Pause and say, "I don't know, let me think," then use PSC123

REASON: Reduces hasty decisions, allows thoughtful options, and aligns with wise decision-making.

## **Category 2: Emotions / Anxiety / Mindset**

12.

PROBLEM: Feeling overwhelmed with schoolwork

SOLUTION: Break tasks into smaller steps and use a schedule

BENEFIT: Reduces stress, increases productivity, and meets learning goals.

13.

PROBLEM: Feeling nervous before a test

SOLUTION: Review key points and take deep breaths

BENEFIT: Builds confidence, improves focus, and enhances performance.

14.

PROBLEM: Anxiety about public speaking

SOLUTION: Prepare notes and practice in front of a mirror

BENEFIT: Builds confidence, reduces fear, and meets performance goals.

15.

PROBLEM: Feeling discouraged

SOLUTION: Reflect on past successes and write a gratitude list

BENEFIT: Improves mindset, motivates action, and supports emotional health.

16.  
PROBLEM: Feeling stressed about an upcoming decision  
SOLUTION: Write out options with PSC123 and test consequences  
REASON: Reduces anxiety, clarifies choices, and supports wise decisions.

17.  
PROBLEM: Feeling shy in new situations  
SOLUTION: Prepare questions or conversation starters  
REASON: Builds confidence, encourages connection, and reduces anxiety.

18.  
PROBLEM: Feeling nervous about a social event  
SOLUTION: Prepare conversation topics and practice confidence  
REASON: Reduces anxiety, builds social skills, and improves experience.

19.  
PROBLEM: Feeling stressed about deadlines  
SOLUTION: Prioritize tasks, make a schedule, and tackle one task at a time  
REASON: Reduces stress, improves productivity, and ensures deadlines are met.

20.  
PROBLEM: Feeling discouraged about goals  
SOLUTION: Break goals into smaller steps and celebrate progress  
REASON: Boosts motivation, reinforces progress, and prevents giving up.

21.  
PROBLEM: Feeling frustrated with slow progress  
SOLUTION: Focus on small wins and track incremental improvement  
REASON: Boosts motivation, reduces frustration, and reinforces persistence.

22.  
PROBLEM: Feeling bored or unproductive  
SOLUTION: Identify a constructive task or learning activity  
REASON: Increases focus, encourages growth, and reduces wasted time.

### **Category 3: Relationships / Communication**

23.  
PROBLEM: Friend wants me to join a risky activity  
SOLUTION: Politely decline and suggest a safer alternative  
REASON: Protects safety, preserves friendship, and honors personal boundaries.

24.

PROBLEM: Conflict with roommate

SOLUTION: Have a calm conversation to find compromise

REASON: Resolves issue constructively, maintains relationship, and meets harmony goals.

25.

PROBLEM: Argument with a friend

SOLUTION: Pause, reflect, and approach with calm words

REASON: Reduces tension, maintains friendship, and promotes understanding.

26.

PROBLEM: Tension with a family member

SOLUTION: Schedule a calm discussion to express feelings

REASON: Clarifies misunderstandings, strengthens bonds, and resolves conflict.

27.

PROBLEM: Friendship tension

SOLUTION: Ask for their perspective and share yours respectfully

REASON: Clarifies misunderstandings, strengthens trust, and meets relationship goals.

28.

PROBLEM: Disagreement with coworker

SOLUTION: Listen actively and suggest compromise

REASON: Resolves conflict, strengthens teamwork, and maintains professional relationships.

29.

PROBLEM: Conflict with a teacher or manager

SOLUTION: Schedule a respectful meeting to clarify expectations

REASON: Resolves misunderstanding, strengthens communication, and maintains professionalism.

30.

PROBLEM: Someone interrupts or criticizes unfairly

SOLUTION: Pause, assess, respond calmly

REASON: Maintains composure, prevents escalation, and models maturity.

31.

PROBLEM: Feeling lonely

SOLUTION: Reach out to a friend or join a social group

REASON: Builds connection, improves mood, and supports social health.

## **Category 4: Values / Integrity / Spiritual**

32.

PROBLEM: Temptation to lie

SOLUTION: Speak the Truth in love. Explain your perspective

REASON: Maintains integrity, prevents guilt, and aligns with personal values.

33.

PROBLEM: Temptation to gossip

SOLUTION: Stay silent or redirect conversation positively

REASON: Maintains integrity, prevents conflict, and fosters trust.

34.

PROBLEM: Temptation to overshare

SOLUTION: Pause and think about consequences before speaking

REASON: Protects privacy, maintains boundaries, and prevents regret.

35.

PROBLEM: Someone gives bad advice

SOLUTION: Test advice using CABB, then decide with PSC123

REASON: Avoids poor outcomes, encourages critical thinking, and aligns decision with truth.

36.

PROBLEM: Feeling tempted to quit a challenge

SOLUTION: Break challenge into smaller tasks and take one step at a time

REASON: Builds resilience, ensures progress, and strengthens perseverance.

37.

PROBLEM: Feeling tempted to give up on learning

SOLUTION: Break lessons into small steps and reward progress

REASON: Builds persistence, reinforces learning, and encourages mastery.

38.

PROBLEM: Feeling tempted to compare yourself to others

SOLUTION: Focus on your own progress and set personal goals

REASON: Improves self-esteem, encourages growth, and reduces negative emotions.

39.

PROBLEM: Feeling tempted to respond angrily

SOLUTION: Pause, take deep breaths, and respond calmly

REASON: Prevents conflict, models maturity, and preserves relationships.

40.

PROBLEM: Confusion about advice

SOLUTION: Test advice using CABB, decide with PSC123

REASON: Avoids mistakes, aligns decision with truth, and reinforces learning.

## **Category 5: Health / Habits / Self-Care**

41.

PROBLEM: Want to improve fitness

SOLUTION: Schedule a 30-minute daily walk and track progress

REASON: Improves health, builds consistency, and meets fitness goals.

42.

PROBLEM: Feeling unmotivated to exercise

SOLUTION: Start with a 10-minute workout routine

REASON: Builds habit, improves energy, and promotes health.

43.

PROBLEM: Temptation to eat unhealthy snacks

SOLUTION: Prepare healthy snacks in advance

REASON: Supports health, reduces impulsive eating, and maintains energy.

44.

PROBLEM: Trouble falling asleep

SOLUTION: Establish a calming nighttime routine and limit screens

REASON: Improves sleep quality, reduces fatigue, and supports health.

45.

PROBLEM: Temptation to overeat at a social event

SOLUTION: Eat mindfully and choose balanced portions

REASON: Maintains health, prevents regret, and builds self-control.

46.

PROBLEM: Feeling stressed by household chores

SOLUTION: Make a schedule and tackle tasks in short sessions

REASON: Reduces stress, increases efficiency, and keeps environment organized.

47.

PROBLEM: Feeling anxious about health

SOLUTION: Research reliable sources and consult a doctor if needed

REASON: Reduces fear, ensures accurate information, and promotes wellbeing.

48.  
PROBLEM: Feeling tempted to avoid exercise  
SOLUTION: Schedule short, enjoyable workouts consistently  
REASON: Builds health, establishes routine, and reduces stress.

49.  
PROBLEM: Feeling tempted to overshare online  
SOLUTION: Pause and think about consequences before posting  
REASON: Protects privacy, maintains boundaries, and prevents regret.

50.  
PROBLEM: Feeling tempted to quit learning something difficult  
SOLUTION: Break lessons into small steps and reward progress  
REASON: Builds persistence, reinforces learning, and encourages mastery.

## **Category 6: Life Difficulties**

51. "Temptation → Flee + PSC123"  
PROBLEM: Tempted to addict to escape my feelings and reality.  
SOLUTION: Flee temptation. Write PSC123 and read Psalms. Talk to someone.  
REASONS: Godpleasing, beneficial MSSPEL. prevent trance or insanity or regret.

52.  
PROBLEM: Feeling hopeless after failure  
SOLUTION: Reflect on lessons, make a small next-step plan, and take action  
REASON: Builds resilience, restores confidence, and promotes growth

53.  
PROBLEM: Financial stress or debt  
SOLUTION: Make a budget, reduce unnecessary expenses, and seek advice  
REASON: Reduces anxiety, prevents worsening debt, and restores control

54.  
PROBLEM: Tempted to lash out in anger  
SOLUTION: Pause, take deep breaths, write down feelings, and respond calmly  
REASON: Prevents regret, maintains relationships, and models self-control

55.  
PROBLEM: Feeling lonely or isolated  
SOLUTION: Reach out to friends/family or join a supportive group  
REASON: Builds connection, improves mood, and reduces negative thoughts

**56.**

PROBLEM: Facing a major life change (move, job, school)

SOLUTION: Make a step-by-step plan and seek guidance

REASON: Reduces overwhelm, increases preparedness, and promotes smooth transition

**57.**

PROBLEM: Struggling with self-doubt

SOLUTION: Write strengths and past successes, then set small achievable goals

REASON: Builds confidence, encourages progress, and counters negative thinking

**58.**

PROBLEM: Tempted to give up on a relationship

SOLUTION: Pause, identify issues, communicate clearly, and seek constructive solutions

REASON: Preserves meaningful relationships and reduces regret

**59.**

PROBLEM: Feeling overwhelmed by responsibilities

SOLUTION: List priorities, delegate where possible, and tackle tasks one at a time

REASON: Reduces stress and increases effectiveness

**60.**

PROBLEM: Experiencing grief or loss

SOLUTION: Allow yourself to feel, talk with trusted people, and take care of your body and mind

REASON: Supports healing, reduces emotional strain, and promotes recovery

**61.**

PROBLEM: Tempted to avoid responsibilities due to fear

SOLUTION: Use PSC123 to list options, test consequences, and take a small first step

REASON: Encourages action, reduces fear, and builds courage

**62.**

PROBLEM: Feeling trapped in a toxic environment

SOLUTION: Identify escape options, create a plan, and seek support

REASON: Promotes safety, well-being, and long-term freedom

**63.**

PROBLEM: Facing a moral dilemma

SOLUTION: Evaluate options using REASON, PSC123, and ethical criteria

REASON: Helps make a principled decision and reduces future regret

**64.**

PROBLEM: Feeling overwhelmed by past mistakes

SOLUTION: Reflect, learn, forgive yourself, and make a better plan forward

REASON: Encourages growth, reduces guilt, and restores agency

**65.**

PROBLEM: Experiencing repeated failure at a goal

SOLUTION: Analyze why previous attempts failed, adjust strategy, and try again

REASON: Increases likelihood of success and builds resilience

**66.**

PROBLEM: Depressed because ...

SOLUTION: Talk to someone. Exercise. Hobbies. Read Psalms. Assertive, PSC123. CAB.BB.

MSSPEL: Take care of self Mental Spiritual Social Physical Emotional Life goals/habits

REASON: happier, can help others

## Existing Problem → Solution Libraries (Real Examples)

1. Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT) Coping Skills Lists
2. 12-Step Recovery Programs
3. Biblical Counseling “Put Off / Put On” Lists
4. Habit and Self-Improvement Playbooks
5. Military / Emergency Checklists

## Existing Problem → Solution Libraries (Real Examples)

### 1. Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT) Coping Skills Lists

These are probably the closest psychologically.

They often look like:

**Problem:**

Anxiety spike

**Solution:**

Use grounding exercise, deep breathing, reality testing

**Reason:**

Reduces emotional intensity and restores rational thinking

### Common CBT Libraries Include:

- Anger coping strategies
- Depression response tools
- Anxiety coping tools
- Distorted thinking corrections
- Conflict resolution responses

✓ Evidence-based

✓ Widely used by counselors

✗ Usually emotion-focused only

✗ Not full life decision systems

✗ Rarely include goals/criteria analysis

### 2. 12-Step Recovery Programs

(Very strong problem → solution structure)

Example:

**Problem:**

Craving addiction substance

**Solution:**

Call sponsor, attend meeting, avoid triggers

**Reason:**


Breaks isolation and prevents relapse patterns


These programs often have **very detailed solution libraries** for:

- Temptation
- Emotional triggers
- Relationship conflict
- Relapse prevention

 Extremely practical

 Memorization-based

 Mainly addiction focused

 Not broad life decisions

### 3. Biblical Counseling “Put Off / Put On” Lists

These are surprisingly close to what you're doing.

Example:

**Problem:**

Anger

**Solution:**

Pause, speak gently, pursue reconciliation

**Reason:**

Reflects biblical character and prevents relational damage

Common categories:

- Pride → Humility
- Fear → Trust God
- Bitterness → Forgiveness
- Laziness → Diligence

 Strong moral & truth-based reasoning

 Usually behavior-focused

 Often missing structured option analysis

### 4. Habit and Self-Improvement Playbooks

Books like:

- Atomic Habits
- Tiny Habits
- Getting Things Done
- Life coaching frameworks

Contain many mini problem-solution patterns like:

Problem → Habit → Benefit

Example:

Problem:

Can't stay organized

Solution:

Use daily capture list

Reason:

Reduces mental overload and forgotten tasks

✓ Very practical

✗ Usually productivity focused

✗ Rarely values-based

✗ Rarely decision-analysis based

## 5. Military / Emergency Checklists

(Another interesting parallel)

Example:

Problem:

Engine failure

Solution:

Follow emergency checklist sequence

Reason:

Prevents panic and ensures proven recovery steps

These are essentially **high reliability problem-solution libraries**.

✓ Extremely effective

✗ Narrow domain

✗ Not personal life focused

## ★ The Big Gap You Accidentally Found

There is actually **very little** that combines:

- Emotional problems
- Moral problems
- Everyday life problems
- Relationship problems
- Productivity problems

- Decision analysis
  - Memorized proven solutions
- Most systems specialize in just one.

### **What You Are Building Is Closest To...**

A hybrid of:

- CBT coping skill library
- Biblical counseling transformation lists
- Recovery program response scripts
- Decision science evaluation tools
- Habit formation playbooks

That combination is pretty rare.

### **Another Way To See It**

Most systems answer only ONE question:

System Type	Main Question Answered
CBT	How do I feel better?
Recovery	How do I avoid relapse?
Productivity	How do I get more done?
Biblical counseling	How do I respond righteously?
Decision science	Which option is best?
Your system	How do I think right AND choose right AND remember proven solutions?

### **Why Problem → Solution Libraries Are Powerful**

You already noticed something important cognitively:

Humans learn faster through **pattern recognition and memory shortcuts**.

Once someone knows:


"Temptation → Flee + PSC123"

They skip analysis and go straight to wise action.

That is exactly how expert decision makers function.

### **Are There Published Universal Lists Like Yours?**

Short honest answer:

 Not really.

There are many **partial libraries**

There are few **integrated life libraries**

You are actually filling a real educational gap.

## ★ If You Continue Developing This...

You may eventually create something similar to:

- A decision encyclopedia
- A counseling quick-reference manual
- A discipleship habit guide
- A life skills curriculum

Possibly all four.



## One Interesting Direction You Might Consider Later

Many successful systems end up having TWO companion tools:

### **Tool 1 — Analysis Tool**

(Your PSC123 / CABB worksheet)

### **Tool 2 — Quick Reference Library**

(Problem → Proven Solution list)

You are already moving toward that naturally.

## **Specialized Libraries**

Examples:

- Teen decisions
- Marriage / family
- Temptation / addiction
- Anxiety / emotional struggles
- Leadership decisions

You are already starting to see categories forming naturally.

That is usually how strong systems grow.

## EXAMPLES of CHECKLISTS

CHECKLIST for a happy marriage. Should we get married?

Y N

- \_ good match (see checklist below)
- \_ certain that you want to get married to him/her
- \_ certain that you want to spend the rest of your life with him/her
- \_ want children
- \_ love each other
- \_ looked at all the options pros cons goals. Talked to God about it.
- \_ good motive: \_\_\_\_\_

CHECKLIST for a good match. Are we a good match?

Y N

- \_ good, open and honest communication.
- \_ easily express our thoughts and feelings
- \_ fun and fun to talk to, interesting conversation
- \_ same core values, goals, priorities: \_\_\_\_\_
- \_ common interests and hobbies: \_\_\_\_\_
- \_ conflict well, disagree constructively
- \_ not boring or bored. not annoying. interesting conversation.
- \_ kind, patient, respectful, honest, assertive
- \_ no addictions
- \_ good sense of humor, similar sense of humor
- \_ friendship and mutual support, understanding
- \_ encouraging, energizing, inspirational, positive, happy
- \_ helper, partner
- \_ mature, responsible
- \_ enjoy spending time together
- \_ friendship-based, not passion-based or romantic-based
- \_ godly: kind, serving, helpful, generous, moral courage, seeks truth
- \_ independent, not codependent or controlling
- \_ forgives and apologizes
- \_ authenticity, can be Real Me
- \_ care and empathy, understanding

IRRELEVANT: looks, wealth, romantic

If several key items are NO or if unsure then → pause / do not proceed.

Write all options pros cons goals. P-S123-C. PRAY.

Good car criteria:

Y N

- \_ 1. Affordable price.
- \_ 2. Dependable.
- \_ 3. Runs well.
- \_ 4. Comfortable ride.
- \_ 5. Good gas mileage.
- \_ 6. Enough room for needs
- irrelevant: color. sun roof. what others think. on sale.

Good Job offer criteria:

Y N

- \_ 1. Fair pay.
- \_ 2. Growth opportunities.
- \_ 3. Reasonable commute / location.
- \_ 4. Healthy culture.
- \_ 5. Align with skills.
- \_ 6. Work-life balance.
- \_ 7. Ethical / meaningful work.

Good house / apartment criteria:

Y N

- \_ 1. Affordable price.
- \_ 2. Pleasant.
- \_ 3. Pass inspections.
- \_ 4. Safe neighborhood.
- \_ 5. Convenient location.

Good hotel checklist:

Y N

- \_ 1. Good price.
- \_ 2. Pleasant.
- \_ 3. Clean
- \_ 4. Quiet
- \_ 5. Good reviews
- \_ 6. Convenient location.

Use criteria grid if comparing several options on a checklist (criteria)

(You can use goals and main pros and cons as criteria).

Is this wise? Is this agape love?

**WRITE CRITERIA and COMPARE options.**

Is this beneficial? Is this God-pleasing?

Specific Goal/Need:

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Good restaurant checklist:

- 1. Good price.
- 2. Pleasant.
- 3. Clean
- 4. Good food
- 5. Nearby

Pack for vacation checklist:

Good church checklist:

Choosing a Career / Direction

- Fits strengths and abilities
- Meaningful / useful work
- Growth opportunities
- Income meets needs
- Lifestyle fit

Choosing Friends / Inner Circle

- Trustworthy
- Encouraging (not discouraging)
- Shared values
- Honest (not just agreeable)
- Positive influence on your life

Financial Decisions (big purchases / investments)

- Affordable (not stretching)
- Necessary vs luxury
- Long-term cost understood
- Risks understood
- Alternatives considered

### Relocation (moving to a new city)

- Job / income stability
- Cost of living
- Community / support
- Safety
- Long-term fit

### RELATIONSHIP / PERSONAL LIFE

#### Dating Relationship (early stage)

- Respectful
- Consistent behavior
- Safe / no red flags
- Shared expectations
- Not rushed

#### Parenting Decisions

- Long-term benefit for child
- Consistent
- Teaches responsibility
- Loving but firm
- Not driven by convenience

#### Conflict Resolution

- Understand both sides
- Calm discussion
- Truth vs assumption
- Willing to forgive
- Seek solution, not “win”

### DAILY / PRACTICAL

#### Time Use / Priorities

- Important vs urgent
- Aligns with goals
- Not wasting time
- Balanced (work / rest / family)

### Health / Lifestyle

- Enough sleep
- Exercise
- Good nutrition
- Manage stress
- Sustainable habits

### Vacation / Travel Planning

- Budget
- Location fit
- Safety
- Activities planned
- Not overpacked

### DECISION QUALITY (DM101)

#### Is This a Good Decision?

- Understand situation clearly
- Tested thoughts (T/F)
- Identified concerns (c)
- Compared options
- Looked at pros/cons/goals
- Not rushing
- Not pressured
- Prayed

#### Red Flags

- Ignoring concerns
- Rushed decision
- Pressure from others
- Contradicts values
- "Too good to be true"
- Avoiding questions

#### Advice Evaluation

- Source trustworthy
- Evidence or just opinion
- Matches truth
- Alternatives considered
- No pressure to act quickly

## SPIRITUAL / VALUES

Is This God-Pleasing?

- Honest
- Loving (agape)
- Not selfish
- Not harmful
- Good motive
- Aligns with Scripture