Ten Emotions that Expand your Resourcefulness

The more you look, the more you see.

Joy

This emotion emerges when one's current circumstances present unexpected good fortune (i.e.: receiving good news or getting an invitation to connect)





Gratitude

Emerges when people acknowledge another person or entity as the source of their good fortune. I would argue that it also emerges when you acknowledge your own past efforts as the source of your current good fortune.

Serenity or contentment

Emerge when you interpret your current situation as right or satisfying (i.e.: feeling comfortable or at ease with the situation you are currently in)





Interest

Arises when you feel safe while intrigued by something new or unusual (i.e.: encountering something mysterious or challenging but not overwhelming)

Hope

Unlike "interest" which arises while feeling a sense of safety, hope arises when there's a sense of fear coupled with a yearning for a positive outcome. Hope is powerful because it urges you to draw on your creativity to turn things around.





Pride

When you take credit for an outcome that is valued by society. The more pride you feel, the more you can imagine bigger and bigger accomplishments.

Amusement

Emerges when you see the humour in an unexpected situation (i.e.: a harmless error or mistake)





Inspiration

Arises when you witness some form of human excellence (i.e.: you notice someone doing a good deed, or performing at an impressive level). Feeling inspired urges you to improve your own performance.

Awe

Emerges when you are overwhelmed by something beautiful, powerful or larger than life.





Love

Emerges when you feel any of the above emotions in the context of a safe relationship with another being. This is the positive emotion that people feel most frequently.

