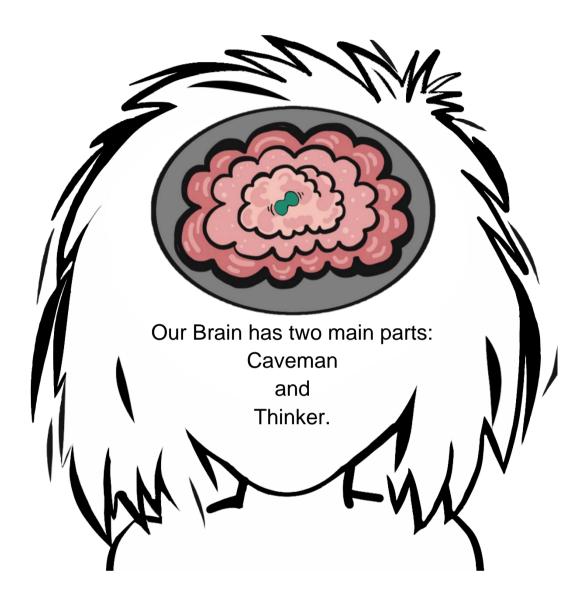


working together, maximising potential

## **Our Stress Alarm System**

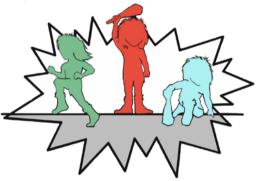
We all have an in-built 'alarm system' that goes off when it thinks we are in danger.



The problem: if we have had lots of stress/trauma, the 'alarm system' may go off even when there is no danger. We might start seeing 'danger' everywhere, even when there is no 'danger' (false alarm). The Caveman part of our brains constantly sorts information: Sound, sight, smell, touch, and taste.



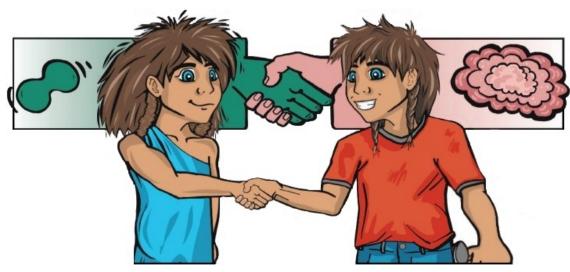
When it detects danger, the Caveman Brain tells our body to respond quickly (flight, fight, freeze) to keep us safe.



The more threatened we feel, the bigger our reactions can be.

**The goal**: to learn how to help the Caveman and Thinker Brain to work together, not to get rid of the 'alarm system' as it keeps us safe.

Thinker Brain needs training, help and practice to work well with Caveman Brain.



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