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Start by reading the following example. Then, using the four reframing steps, fill out the worksheet with your own experience.

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I haven't done laundry in weeks. It just hurts too much.	· I'm a terrible wife · I can't do anything anymore · My husband will be angry with me	· Guilt · Worthlessness · Anxiety	·Having MS is not my fault, and it does not mean I am a bad person ·There are many things I can do without help, but laundry is not one of them ·If I explain to my husband about my pain and ask for his help, he will understand

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