Focus on the positive

How to take this break
Find a quiet space, sit in a chair with feet on the floor, palms on your lap, sitting tall. Close your eyes or soften your gaze (look at the floor) and notice how you feel. Focus on your breath, the expansion of your belly as it expands on the inhale and contracts as you exhale. Breathe normally, and notice how you feel now compared to when you started. When you are ready, open your eyes.

Why this counts - Relaxing
By incorporating relaxation into your life, you can drastically reduce the stress levels in the body and improve both your physical and mental health.

Go to Workplace Strategies for Mental Health for more ideas, tools and resources to help with the prevention, intervention and management of workplace mental health issues.

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