## Summer of Gratitude



## Week 2- Gratitude Improves Personality

- Increased Self-Esteem
  - It has <u>been theorized</u> that those who display gratitude frequently tend to be less likely to participate in social comparisons.
  - Gratitude is the art of focusing on the benevolence of those around us and decreases feelings of resentment.
  - This in turn can be reflected by an increase in self-esteem.

- Less Self-Centered
  - Have you noticed that many of things that you are grateful for do not pertain to yourself?
  - We are typical grateful for what others have done for us.
  - Expressing gratitude causes us to look outside ourselves and appreciate the kindness of others.

Need ideas for your gratitude journal?

Look for things that can increase self-esteem or cause you to look "outside yourself".