



STEPS CHAIR SCRIPT

Hello everyone Welcome to Newcomers International Steps Meeting On Zoom, I'm **XXX**, a recovering alcoholic and your Chair person for today

Please join me in a moment of silence to remember why we are here today and for the still suffering alcoholics in & outside the rooms of AA

We start the meeting with **THE SERENITY PRAYER**

(*Chair reads the serenity prayer*)

“God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference.”

- Now I have asked **XXX** to read the **AA preamble**.
- I have asked **XXX** to read “**How it works**” from Chapter 5, page **58-60** from the Big Book of Alcoholic Anonymous.

The meeting format is an introduction for newcomers to the 12 Steps Program of Alcoholics Anonymous. The forward to the 1st edition of the Big book of Alcoholic Anonymous published in 1939 states that “We, of Alcoholics Anonymous, are more than one hundred men and women who have recovered from a seemingly

hopeless state of mind and body. To show other alcoholics precisely how we have recovered is the main purpose of this book.”

“The 12 Steps outline a path to spiritual progress through a series of actions designed to elicit what The Big Book of Alcoholics Anonymous refers to as a “psychic change” – a complete mental, emotional, and spiritual shift in perception, which can support a long-term recovery program.”

We will have a speaker on Step/ Tradition (**X**) followed by sharing, first from those who have experience with the Step, then by newcomers or others with questions.

Chat is open to cohosts only to keep the meeting safe - if you have a question or need, please feel free to chat to myself or our Chat host who is (**XXX**).

ATTENDANCE VERIFICATION

Attendance Verification email will be shared later in chat. Please send a request to the email address we provide later along with the required information and allow us 48 hours to reply back.

NEWCOMERS DAY COUNT

Now we would like to welcome Newcomers in their first 90 days to be recognized. Please raise your hand to introduce yourself, tell us how many days you have, and since this is an international meeting, tell us where you are from. If you don't know how to use the raise hand feature, wave at the screen or chat to a cohost.

To keep the meeting safe, we only call on people who have their face fully visible. If you have had a drink today, we ask that you postpone your sharing to the after meeting.

SPEAKER

Now I am delighted to introduce our speaker (**KEITH H**) an alcoholic from (**PORTSMOUTH, UK**) who will speak for **20 minutes** and give us their experience, strength and hope about Step/ Tradition: (**X**)

Our timekeeper today is (**XXX**) who will let you know when you have **2 minutes** left.

Over to you (**XXX**) [*Start Recording*]

Thank you (**XXX**) for a great share. [*Stop Recording*]

SHARES FROM PEOPLE WITH EXPERIENCE OF STEP

Now we will have shares, from people with experience of the Step, and to allow everyone a chance to speak, we limit each share to **2 minutes** and our timekeeper will give you a 30 second warning.

Again, for safety, we only call on people with face fully visible. If you had a drink today we ask that you postpone your shares to the after meeting for your own safety.

**** Shares until (00:46)**

Now I would like to ask Newcomers and people **with questions** please to raise your hands to benefit from our speaker's experience on the Step/ Tradition.

Meanwhile we have couple of **announcements** to make:

AA 7th Tradition, Sponsorship, Service, Home Group & Attendance Verification:

AA 7th tradition states we are fully self-supporting through our own contributions. If you would like to contribute to help other alcoholics, please notice AA members contribution link in Chat. All funds are used by AA General Service Organization to support alcoholics around the world achieve sobriety. Thank you in advance for your kind contributions.

Service & Home Group are excellent tools to protect your sobriety and work your program, we invite you to Join our Homegroup to be in service and support with simple tasks. Please share your details with our Chat host or any co-host for support.

We also invite people offering **Sponsorship** to message our **Chat host** with their details to add you to our sponsorship list to help others & cascade the message of AA.

Attendance Verification is provided by sending us an email with some important details that will be shared in chat towards the end of the meeting. Please allow us 48 hours to respond back.

**** People with questions will share now until (00:58)**

Thank you everyone, we have reached the end of the meeting. If you did not get a chance to share, please stay after the meeting or come back, we meet **every day** at the same time.

Finally, thanks to all our wonderful Home Group Members who have been on service today to make this meeting safe and possible:

Security team: **XXX** Chat **XXX** , Timekeeping **XXX**, Reading: **XXX**, and our lovely HG members for greeting our guests tonight.

CLOSING

And now I have asked (**XXX**) to read the **9th step promises** from *pages 83 – 84*.

Thanks once again (**XXX**) for your valuable time of service, and we would like to ask you cordially to take us out with any final thoughts followed by the Serenity Prayer.

AFTER MEETING

Welcome to the meeting after the meeting where we will have continued sharing. First we will start by offering breakout rooms to those who may need extra support and requires more privacy, or if there are people offering support please raise your hand now. We offer options for both male, female, and non-binary upon request. Please be patient as this is a manual process.
