Sample thought record (TR) completed by depressed pt:

TRIGGER SITUATION What were you doing or thinking when you started to feel bad?	FEELING What were you feeling? How bad did you feel (1-10, 10 is the worst)	AUTOMATIC THOUGHTS What went through your mind?	THINKING ERRORS #1 jumping to conclusions #2 over-generalizing #3 either/or
EXAMPLES: I can't find a situation for thought record.	I feel discouraged, depressed, hopeless (9)	-I should be able to find many situations for a TRIf I can't even find one situation, then I'm a hopeless caseI'm never going to feel any better.	-Over-generalizing (also predicting the future, catastrophizing, mind reading & using "should" statements).
My daughter calls to ask me to send her something. When I try to have more of a conversation, she hurries to get off the phone	I feel sad, down depressed (10)	-I miss spending time with my kidsThere really is something wrong with meMy kids don't like meI have failed as a father.	-Jumping to conclusions, over-generalizing.