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1. Emotional perfectionism: "I should always feel happy, confident, and in control of my emotions."
2. Performance perfectionism: "I must never fail or make a mistake."
3. Perceived perfectionism: "People will not love and accept me as a flawed and vulnerable human being."
4. Fear of disapproval or criticism: "I need everybody's approval to be worthwhile."
5. Fear of rejection: "If I'm not loved, then life is not worth living."
6. Fear of being alone: "If I'm alone, then I'm bound to feel miserable and unfulfilled."
7. Fear of failure: "My worthwhileness depends on my achievements (or my intelligence or status or attractiveness)."
8. Conflict phobia: "People who love each other shouldn't fight."
9. Emotophobia: "I should not feel angry, anxious, inadequate, jealous, or vulnerable."
10. Entitlement: "People should always be the way I expect them to be."