

- **Loss** → Absence of someone/something that holds meaning & can be tangible
- **Grief** → emotional response to loss.
- **Anticipatory grief** → occurs before an expected death or loss.
- **Mourning** → outward social expressions of loss
 - **Tasks of grief & mourning**
 - first → accept reality of the loss
 - second → experience the pain of grief
 - third → Adjust to environment w/out the deceased.
 - fourth → emotionally relocate the deceased & move on
- **Bereavement** → grief & mourning, the feelings & outward behavior

- physical
 - emotional
 - cognitive
 - behavioral
- } Reactions to loss

- **Dysfunctional grieving** → Person is unable to process the grief through to resolution.
- **Complicated grief** → Person's grief does not improve over time
 - Chronic grief
 - Delayed grief
 - Exaggerated grief
 - Masked grief
- **Disenfranchised grief** → any loss that is not validated.

• Grief theories

- **Kübler-Ross five stages of grief**
 - Denial
 - Anger
 - Bargaining
 - Depression
 - Acceptance
- **Bowlby's model of grief**
 - Shock & numbness
 - Searching & yearning
 - Disorganization & disrepair
 - Reorganization
- **Sheldon's stages of grief**
 - Initial shock
 - Pangs of grief
 - Despair
 - Adjustment

} Stages of grief

- Sudden death
 - Traumatic death
 - Series of losses
 - Catastrophic event
 - Miscarriage or stillborn
- } types of complicated loss