Review of: "'A picture speaks a thousand words' – The potential of picture collage as a pedagogical mental health reflective practice tool"

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This was an interesting paper on an important topic. Covid-19 highlighted the importance of mental health in overall well-being. And this paper is an interesting contribution towards understanding how arts-based pedagogy can promote reflection in nursing education.   I would have liked to see a methods section for this paper. It is unclear how the data were analyzed. What is the role of the collages vs the text? Why did you pick those texts to include in the paper?   Other points. include:

1. You mention mental health stigma in teenagers in the literature review, but do not really address this in other parts of the paper.
2. You define stigma, but the examples you provide are less about stigma and more focused on lack of cultural understandings.
3. You mention Islam being a monotheistic religion, but there are other monotheistic religions. How do these religions view mental well-being?
4. The focus on the UK as well as pathways for nursing education in the UK was strange as the topic of the paper is on the UAE. Link back to the UAE rather than focus on the UK.
5. The explanation of Schon's article was unclear.
6. You focus on Islam and the UAE in the literature review, but don't really come back to this in the conclusion. Would be good to circle back to this especially since it was a large part of the framing of this paper.