Table 1. The structure of therapy sessions

First session

Performing pre-test, introduction with the group members and the therapist, introducing the rules, introducing frameworks, the general principles of brief solution-focused couple therapy, introducing the problem, asking subjects to mention their problem in a word and turn that word into a sentence, changing the problem into accessible goals, discussion on the problem and introducing the assignments

Second session

Checking the assignments of the previous session, setting goals, introducing solutions for complaints, formulating problem solving loops and introducing the assignments

Third session

A brief of previous session and review of the problem, talking about the future, using exceptions and miracle question strategy, finding a positive story and introducing the assignments

Fourth session

Checking the assignments and a brief of previous session, introducing and using master key method, introducing scaling questions method and introducing the assignments

Fifth coccion

Checking the assignments of the previous session, introducing master key method, simulative assignment method, introducing problem solving questions, introducing proof by contradiction and contradictory betting and introducing the assignments

Sixth session

A brief of previous session and review the assignments, introducing graded questions, determination of whether the respondents have met the goals of the treatment, Performing post-test

 $\textbf{Table 2.} \ \, \text{Comparison of the mean scores of happiness and marital conflicts in the experimental and control groups at different stages using repeated measures of variance (N=17)$

Variables	Experimental group	Control group	F (Experimental group)	P value
Happiness	g. op		growp)	
Pre-test	57.13±13.12	57.87±15.17	65.52	<0.01
Post-test	67.19±14.81	60.37±13.97		
Follow-up	66.08±15.07	59.97±13.54		
Marital conflicts				
Pre-test	132.23±17.70	130.33±15.30	9.71	<0.01
Post-test	99.86±15.16	126.60±17.72		
Follow-up	98.97±16.09	128.17±15.99		

Table 3. The paired comparison of the mean scores of happiness and marital satisfaction in the experimental group according to the time using the LSD post-hoc test

Stage A	Stage B	Mean difference (A-B)	Standard error	P value		
Happiness						
Pre-test	Post-test	-10.12	2.07	0.01		
	Follow-up	-9.97	2.09	0.01		
Post-test	Follow-up	0.15	0.12	0.32		
Marital conflicts						
Pre-test	Post-test	31.09	4.97	0.01		
	Follow-up	32.87	4.94	0.01		
Post-test	Follow-up	-1.77	1.12	0.09		